

Eligible and non-eligible habitat improvement project types

Eligible projects

- Planning and contractors
 - Engineering designs
 - Habitat Management Plans
 - Restoration or management permitting assistance
- Wetland projects
 - Cattail management
 - Hydrologic restoration
 - Non-native phragmites management
 - Reed canary grass management
 - Sandbar willow management
 - Sediment removal
 - Shoreline vegetation
 - Tree and shrub planting
 - Wet meadow with a focus on improving diversity
- Prairie projects
 - Cool season grass management
 - Integrated pest management for noxious weeds treatment
 - Pioneer woody vegetation removal
 - Pollinator diversity improvement or enhancement
 - Prescribed burns
 - Prescribed grazing or haying
 - Red cedar removal
- Oak savanna projects
 - Cool season grass management
 - Forestry management or selective tree thinning
 - Integrated pest management for noxious weeds treatment
 - Pollinator diversity improvement or enhancement
 - Pioneer woody vegetation removal
 - Planting oaks
 - Prescribed burns
 - Prescribed grazing or haying

- Red cedar removal
- Forest projects
 - Exclusion fencing to prevent deer herbivory
 - Ground floor diversity (FERNs - Forest Ephemeral Restoration Nodes)
 - Herbaceous vegetation removal and management
 - Integrated pest management for noxious weeds treatment
 - Pioneering woody vegetation removal and management
 - Prescribed burns
 - Prescribed grazing
 - Reforestation
 - Successional diversity and stand thinning
 - Tree protection
 - Tree-stand transition to native habitat
- Stream and riverbank projects
 - Bank stabilization
 - Benches and flow mitigation
 - Hydrologic restoration (tile removal, etc.)
 - Integrated pest management for noxious weeds treatment
 - Reconnecting floodplain
 - Re-meander
 - Revegetation and streambed restoration
 - Stream bed sedimentation removal
 - Target species habitat improvement (Blanding's turtle, etc.)

Non-eligible projects

These are examples of projects that are not eligible for funding.

- Agricultural best management practices
- Alum treatments
- Culling of deer
- Duckweed removal
- Food plots for wildlife
- Individual diseased tree management
- Management of agricultural lands for production
- Management of tree stands for production
- Pond excavations
- Rain gardens and boulevard plantings
- Riprap
- Stormwater best management practices
- Vegetable gardens
- Wetland mitigation