Request for Proposals
Local Implementation Grants
Announced - February 27th, 2012

Applications are Due Tuesday, March 27th, 2012

Dear Lake Champlain Basin Organization Leaders:

The Lake Champlain Basin Program is pleased to announce the 2012 Local Implementation Grant programs, including:

- **Pollution Prevention Grants** (up to $15,000 per grant),
- **Aquatic Invasive Species Spread Prevention Grants** (up to $15,000 per grant),
- **Shoreline Protection and Habitat Conservation Grants** (up to $10,000 per grant) and
- **Education and Outreach Grants** (up to $7,500 per grant).

The LCBP anticipates awarding more than 40 grants, reflecting $450,000 in the 2012 program budget, to support local community involvement toward the implementation of the comprehensive management plan *Opportunities for Action: An Evolving Plan for the Future of the Lake Champlain Basin* plan.lcbp.org. Grant funds are anticipated through existing or imminent agreements with the Great Lakes Fishery Commission and the US Environmental Protection Agency.

**Grant Guidelines** are available in the grants section of the LCBP website at [www.lcbp.org/grants.htm](http://www.lcbp.org/grants.htm) with more information about how the grant program works, to help you prepare a competitive application. **Application Forms** are provided in both PDF and Microsoft Word formats, for your convenience. Please review all of the materials provided within the **Grant Guidelines** carefully before beginning your application. Organizations with existing LCBP-funded projects are eligible to apply for new funding only if all project deliverables and obligations under the existing and past awards are fully up-to-date and the projects are in good standing. All grant proposals that have a fieldwork component, must provide some assurance that appropriate invasive species spread prevention measures will be included in the project design. Please refer carefully to the grant application instructions for guidance.

I encourage you to contact us at the LCBP office for assistance as you begin to develop your project. Because LCBP staff do not make award decisions, we can help you interpret the application instructions and guidelines. Completed applications **must be received** at the LCBP office in Grand Isle by **close of business on Tuesday, March 27th, 2012**. We hope to announce award decisions at a gathering in early May, 2012.

If you would like to receive a printed or email version of this grant, or if you would prefer not to receive these notices from the LCBP, please contact us at 802-372-3213 or at grants@lcbp.org.

I look forward to seeing the 2012 applications!

Sincerely,

Bill Howland
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