

## 2024 Invasive Species Grant Awards

In January, 2024, DEC awarded more than \$2.9 million from the New York State Environmental Protection Fund (EPF) to fund 43 projects for Round 3 of the Invasive Species Grant Program.

Awarded projects total \$2,992,793 and are spread across six categories:

- \$263,390.17 for two Aquatic Invasive Species Watercraft Spread Prevention – Boat Steward Education and Outreach/Voluntary Inspection projects to deploy watercraft stewards to conduct voluntary boat inspections and conduct outreach to educate recreational boaters;
- \$340,437.50 for five Aquatic Invasive Species Watercraft Spread Prevention – Stewards – Boat Decontamination Program projects to prevent the spread of aquatic invasive species by deploying and utilizing high pressure hot water decontamination equipment; deliver boat steward programs and site decontamination stations on major road travel corridors.
- \$1,762,442.74 for 23 Invasive Species Early Detection/ Rapid Response and Control (Terrestrial and Aquatic) projects that promote the removal of invasive species through physical and mechanical removal, chemical treatments, and biocontrol release;
- \$269,682 for four Invasive Species Research projects that help improve invasive species control methodologies;
- \$159,598 for five Lake Management Planning and Implementation projects to help address the underlying causes of aquatic invasive species infestations and provide context for their control and management; and
- \$197,243.04 for four Invasive Species Education and Outreach projects to increase public knowledge of invasive species and motivate the public to engage in invasive species management and community science.

Awards by region are:

### CAPITAL REGION

#### Albany County

- City of Albany - \$99,571 - Invasive Species Early Detection / Rapid Response and Control Terrestrial and Aquatic Species
- Mohawk Hudson Land Conservancy - \$84,989.95 - Invasive Species Early Detection / Rapid Response and Control Terrestrial and Aquatic Species

#### Columbia County

- Town of Ancram - \$12,646.23 - Invasive Species Education & Outreach

#### Greene County

- Catskill Center for Conservation & Development - \$29,089.81 - Invasive Species Education & Outreach

#### Washington County

- Lake George Land Conservancy - \$86,215.75 - Invasive Species Early Detection / Rapid Response and Control Terrestrial and Aquatic Species

### **CENTRAL NEW YORK**

#### Cortland County

- Cortland County Soil & Water Conservation District - \$122,705 - Aquatic Invasive Species Watercraft Spread Prevention Boat Steward Education and Outreach/Voluntary Inspection
- Research Foundation for SUNY Cortland - \$98,630 - 2023 Invasive Species Research

#### Madison County

- Town of Cazenovia - \$40,120 - Aquatic Invasive Species Watercraft Spread Prevention - Stewards - Boat Decontamination Program

#### Onondaga County

- Upstate Freshwater Institute - \$17,856 - 2023 Invasive Species Research

#### Oswego County

- Kasoag Conservation Association - \$13,098 - Invasive Species Lake Management Planning and Implementation

### **FINGER LAKES**

#### Ontario County

- City of Canandaigua - \$140,685.17 - Aquatic Invasive Species Watercraft Spread Prevention Boat Steward Education and Outreach/Voluntary Inspection
- Cornell University - \$83,292 - 2023 Invasive Species Research

#### Wayne County

- Bergen Swamp Preservation Society - \$73,200 - Invasive Species Early Detection / Rapid Response and Control Terrestrial and Aquatic Species

### **LONG ISLAND**

## Suffolk County

- Peconic Land Trust - \$93,622.50 - Invasive Species Early Detection / Rapid Response and Control Terrestrial and Aquatic Species
- Landcraft Garden Foundation Inc - \$36,285 - Invasive Species Early Detection / Rapid Response and Control Terrestrial and Aquatic Species
- The Caumsett Foundation Inc - \$65,470.16 - Invasive Species Early Detection / Rapid Response and Control Terrestrial and Aquatic Species
- Seatuck Environmental Association Inc - \$98,518.55 - Invasive Species Early Detection / Rapid Response and Control Terrestrial and Aquatic Species
- Town of Southampton - \$24,000 - Invasive Species Lake Management Planning and Implementation
- Town of Brookhaven - \$25,000 - Invasive Species Lake Management Planning and Implementation

## MID-HUDSON

### Dutchess County

- Bard College - \$80,379 - Invasive Species Early Detection / Rapid Response and Control Terrestrial and Aquatic Species

### Multi-County

- New York New Jersey Trail Conference - \$84,139 - Invasive Species Education & Outreach
- New York New Jersey Trail Conference - \$100,000 - Invasive Species Early Detection / Rapid Response and Control Terrestrial and Aquatic Species

### Orange County

- Town of Chester - \$12,136 - Invasive Species Early Detection / Rapid Response and Control Terrestrial and Aquatic Species

### Rockland County

- Town of Clarkstown - \$67,500 - Invasive Species Early Detection / Rapid Response and Control Terrestrial and Aquatic Species

### Sullivan County

- Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County - \$71,368 - Invasive Species Education & Outreach

### Ulster County

- Mohonk Preserve Inc - \$90,000 - Invasive Species Early Detection / Rapid Response and Control Terrestrial and Aquatic Species

#### Westchester County

- Research Foundation for SUNY Purchase - \$99,480.83 - Invasive Species Early Detection / Rapid Response and Control Terrestrial and Aquatic Species

### **MOHAWK VALLEY**

#### Fulton County

- Town of Caroga - \$100,000 - Aquatic Invasive Species Watercraft Spread Prevention - Stewards - Boat Decontamination Program

#### Oneida County

- Town of Forestport - \$48,600 - Aquatic Invasive Species Watercraft Spread Prevention - Stewards - Boat Decontamination Program

#### Otsego County

- Canadarago Lake Improvement Association Inc - \$100,000 - Aquatic Invasive Species Watercraft Spread Prevention - Stewards - Boat Decontamination Program

### **NEW YORK CITY**

#### Bronx County

- Woodlawn Conservancy - \$100,000 - Invasive Species Early Detection / Rapid Response and Control Terrestrial and Aquatic Species

#### Kings County

- The Green Wood Cemetery - \$20,000 - Invasive Species Early Detection / Rapid Response and Control Terrestrial and Aquatic Species

#### New York County

- Randall's Island Park Alliance Inc - \$24,602 - Invasive Species Early Detection / Rapid Response and Control Terrestrial and Aquatic Species

#### Queens County

- Rockaway Waterfront Alliance Inc - \$100,000 - Invasive Species Early Detection / Rapid Response and Control Terrestrial and Aquatic Species

## **NORTH COUNTRY**

### Essex County

- Eagle Lake Property Owners Inc - \$30,000 - Invasive Species Lake Management Planning and Implementation

### Franklin County

- Upper Saranac Foundation Inc - \$46,380 - Invasive Species Early Detection / Rapid Response and Control Terrestrial and Aquatic Species

### Hamilton County

- Blue Mountain Lake Association - \$60,000 - Invasive Species Early Detection / Rapid Response and Control Terrestrial and Aquatic Species

### St. Lawrence County

- St. Lawrence University - \$98,592 - Invasive Species Early Detection / Rapid Response and Control Terrestrial and Aquatic Species
- Town of Oswegatchie - \$100,000 - Invasive Species Early Detection / Rapid Response and Control Terrestrial and Aquatic Species
- Town of Clarkson - \$69,904 - Invasive Species Research

## **SOUTHERN TIER**

### Tompkins County

- Tompkins County Soil & Water Conservation District - \$51,718 - Aquatic Invasive Species Watercraft Spread Prevention - Stewards - Boat Decontamination Program

## **WESTERN NY**

### Chautauqua County

- Town of Chautauqua - \$100,000 - Invasive Species Early Detection / Rapid Response and Control Terrestrial and Aquatic Species
- Town of North Harmony - \$100,000 - Invasive Species Early Detection / Rapid Response and Control Terrestrial and Aquatic Species