**Introduction**

The International Wild Waterfowl Association (IWWA) considers grant applications for projects relating to our mission of protecting and conserving waterfowl and wetlands. Priority is given to projects that further the organization’s history of involvement in conservation breeding programs, the protection of rare and endangered species, and expanding our collective knowledge of waterfowl around the world. Grants typically range from $1,000-$5,000.00 USD and are awarded annually in the fall unless there is an urgent or immediate need. Please refer to the IWWA’s website for a list of previously funded projects.

**Eligibility Criteria**

* Projects must be associated with waterfowl species.  For the purposes of IWWA grants, the priority groups of impact species would be identified in order:
	1. Ducks, Geese, Swans
	2. Screamers, Cranes, Flamingos
	3. Other waterfowl species
* Projects must contribute to growth in knowledge, education, or conservation.  The application must clearly demonstrate how it impacts these priority areas to be eligible.
* Capital expenses may be eligible if they contribute to one of the funding priorities identified.  Personal use items are not eligible for funding (e.g. personal use cameras, phones, etc.), unless there is no clear alternative and there is a clearly defined need.
* Projects can benefit from the reference and affiliation with a current IWWA board member.  Board members who endorse potential applications will not be engaged in any decision-making on projects but can offer insight into applications and project development.  The endorsement of an IWWA board member does not commit funds, but it can add value to a project to ensure it aligns with IWWA granting priorities.  Board members or their affiliates cannot receive personal, financial, or in-kind compensation for endorsing or supporting a project or they will be deemed to be in a conflict of interest.
* Projects must involve and engage appropriate veterinary oversight and ensure appropriate animal handling and welfare conditions are met. No project should contribute to any loss of population or environmental harm in any way.

**Reporting**

All funded projects are required to provide a report on learnings and contribution to the growth of knowledge. These reports will be shared on the IWWA website and included in promotional materials and the IWWA Annual Report. The IWWA logo should be used when appropriate and recognition provided for any funded project. Further details will be provided to successful project applicants.

If you have questions about eligibility or the IWWA grant application process, please contact an IWWA board member.

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Applicant’s Name: Click here to enter text. Applicant’s Title: Click here to enter text.

Organization (if applicable): Click here to enter text. Website: Click here to enter text.

Mailing Address: Click here to enter text.

Email Address: Click here to enter text. Phone: Click here to enter text.

Co-investigator’s names and organizations (if applicable): Click here to enter text.

Project Name/ Title: Click here to enter text.

Project Summary (250 word maximum):

Click here to enter text.

Complete Project Description (1000 word maximum):

Click here to enter text.

Additional details on the project can be included as attachments if needed. [ ]  Yes, I have attached further details

How does your project specifically relate to the International Wild Waterfowl Association’s mission of working to protect and conserve wild waterfowl and wetlands?

Click here to enter text.

Anticipated project completion date: Click here to enter text.

Amount of funding requested: Click here to enter text. Have you applied for an IWWA grant previously? [ ]  Yes [ ]  No

How will IWWA funding contributions be spent?

Click here to enter text.

Have other sources of funding been sought or received? If so, please indicate from whom and in what amount:

Click here to enter text.

Acceptance of grant funding is conditional based on the following provisions:

* The full name of the International Wild Waterfowl Association must be included in any printed or electronic publication(s) related to the project
* An article relating to the project funded must be provided for the IWWA’s newsletter within one year of funding distribution
* IWWA funds not spent within one year of distribution must be returned within 30 days. For projects still in progress, a written request for extension is required a minimum of 30 days prior to the anticipated project completion date

Failure to follow these provisions will disqualify the applicant and co-investigators from future funding requests.

[ ]  Yes, I understand the provisions above and agree to abide by them should my application be approved

Applicant’s name: Click here to enter text. Title: Click here to enter text. Organization: Click here to enter text. Date: Click here to enter text.

Grant applications must be submitted by August 15th for review by the IWWA Conservation Committee. Applications and any supporting documents should be submitted to both:

Dustin Foote, IWWA Conservation & Grants Committee Chair dustin@shwpark.com Clayton Botkin, IWWA President claytonbotkin@hotmail.com

Successful applicants will be contacted directly. Funds are distributed after acknowledgment of the award has been received from the applicant. Both successful and unsuccessful applicants are welcome to apply for funding in subsequent years.