

4. Riparian & In-Stream Habitat Restoration	Grant Rate	Grant Ceiling	Application Due
	75%	\$10,000	November 21, 2022
<b>Purpose:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Projects designed to improve habitat and water quality in watercourses.</li> </ul>			
<b>Category Guidelines:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Livestock must be restricted from the project area.</li> <li>All necessary permits/permissions must be obtained before project commencement.</li> <li>Projects must utilize appropriate sediment control and mitigation measures (i.e. silt fencing).</li> <li>Projects where structures may be impacted by erosion will not be considered for funding.</li> <li>Projects where municipal drains are involved will require consultation with local drainage superintendent.</li> </ul>			
<b>Eligible Projects:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Restoration or enhancement of riparian areas.</li> <li>Sediment control measures including bioengineering, crib walls, fish lunkers, bend-way weirs, natural channel design, etc.</li> <li>In-stream aquatic habitat creation/restoration.</li> <li>Buffer strips and riparian habitat creation/restoration.</li> <li>Removal of fish migration barriers.</li> <li>Converting online ponds to offline ponds.</li> </ul>			
<b>Eligible Costs:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Design costs and professional services.</li> <li>Contractor labour and planting services.</li> <li>Site preparation.</li> <li>Plant material.</li> <li>Cold storage costs.</li> <li>Delivery costs.</li> <li>NPCA Permit.</li> <li>Habitat enhancement features (nesting structures, fish lunkers, spawning beds).</li> <li>NPCA Administrative costs- Project management, project implementation, planting plan design, site supervision.</li> </ul>			
<b>Ineligible Costs:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Maintenance costs incurred after the establishment of plant material.</li> <li>Hardscaping (i.e. Gabion baskets).</li> <li>Relocation of established trees.</li> <li>Establishment of trees or shrubs that are intended for harvesting for economic benefit (i.e. Christmas trees, nursery trees, etc.).</li> <li>Caliper-sized trees.</li> <li>Landowner labour costs.</li> <li>Non-NPCA Administrative costs – Project management, survival assessments, planting plan design, site supervision.</li> </ul>			

**Potential Key Performance Indicators:**

- Metres squared of riparian area/ shoreline restored
- Trees planted
- Shrubs planted
- Herbaceous plants planted
- Fish migration barriers removed
- Ponds taken offline
- Fish lunkers installed
- Crib walls installed