



Minister's Special Licence Auction (MSLA) Grant Application Forms

About the Minister's Special Licence Fund Auction (MSLA) Grants

Since 1995, the Minister's Special Licence (MSL) auctions and raffles have raised more than \$9 million for conservation in Alberta. The auction component is now managed by the Alberta Professional Outfitters Society (APOS), and the resident raffle is handled by an organization selected by the Minister.

Six MSL opportunities are sold on auction in the United States. The revenue from these auctions is earmarked back into the Minister's Special Licence Auction (MSLA) fund to support wildlife conservation activities that benefit all Albertans. The funds generated by the MSL raffle, which is available to Alberta residents only and administered by an organization selected by the Minister, is managed separate from the MSLA.

Who Can Apply?

Applicants may apply for funds ranging from \$20,000 to \$150,000 per year. Applicants are expected to demonstrate their efforts to obtain leveraged funding, up to 25% of the cost of the project annually (of which, a maximum of 50% may be labelled "in-kind support").

Government representatives may only apply in collaboration with other institutions, groups, or organizations. The MSLA will not fund applications where the federal or provincial government is the principal applicant (lead on a project). Federal or provincial government employees may be part of a project but must not be responsible for the majority of the project.

Post-secondary applicants should be aware that funding is available for direct project costs only – no indirect costs will be paid. The deadline for application is January 31, and Grants Committee decisions will be rendered in April.

What Types of Projects are Eligible?

Funds may be awarded from the MSL relative to the Priority Objectives listed on page 3 of these forms. Eligible projects must directly and measurably benefit Alberta's harvestable big game and bird game, particularly the species that generated the funds, with benefits to small game and non-game being collateral. It is expected that applicants will obtain the appropriate permits required for the project before funds are issued.

Recognition of the value of volunteer manpower and resources as well as operational overhead, may form part of the funding decision and is at the sole discretion of the MSLA Grants Committee. While the MSLA Grants Committee may determine special consideration for such costs in exceptional circumstances, the MSLA typically does not provide funding for ongoing operational costs; capital costs over \$5,000, emergency funds or deficit financing; travel or meals for conferences and seminars; general fundraising; retroactive work; and land acquisition.

NOTE: Applicants are responsible for ensuring they have the proper licences and approvals required to carry out their project.

Applicant's Name _____

Organization _____

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Applicant's Name _____

Organization _____

Mailing Address _____

Email _____

Telephone _____

Website _____

Project Lead _____

(if different than applicant) _____

Not-for-profit Business Number _____

(if applicable) _____

PROJECT INFORMATION

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|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|--|------------------------|--|
| Project Title | | | | |
| Project Location | | | | |
| Project Duration | Start date dd/mm/yyyy | | End date dd/mm/yyyy | |
| Amount Requested (in CDN Dollars) | | | | |
| Species Benefited | | | | |

ABOUT THE PROPOSED PROJECT

Project Summary

MSLA Outcomes

Projects supported by the MSLA make a positive contribution to:

1. Advancing the knowledge and understanding of Alberta’s wildlife, particularly species that generate MSLA funds.
2. Long-term impacts on the populations and habitats of Alberta’s wildlife species, particularly the species that generated MSLA funds.
3. Advancing the knowledge of, and the practical application in wildlife management decisions of, the social dimensions of hunting and human/wildlife conflicts.
4. Enhancing public awareness of the role of hunting in conservation.
5. Maintaining public support for hunting as an important part of the culture of Alberta.
6. Short and/or long-term impacts on the benefits realized by consumptive users of wildlife.
7. Advancing the practical application in wildlife management decisions of existing and new technologies to maximize the efficiency and effectiveness of wildlife management actions.

Please describe how your project aligns with the desired outcomes.

Has this project received support from the MSL in the past?

BUDGET

| Description | Total |
|---------------------------|-------|
| Materials & Supplies | |
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| | |
| Equipment | |
| | |
| | |
| Salaries & Wages | |
| | |
| | |
| Contract Services | |
| | |
| | |
| Travel | |
| | |
| | |
| Other | |
| | |
| | |
| TOTAL COSTS | |
| Confirmed Partner Funding | |
| Pending Partner Funding | |
| In-Kind Support | |
| Amount Requested From MSL | |

*If the lines provided are insufficient, please attach a budget as an appendix, using the same headers.

Project Partners (Please note confirmed and pending, and amount/type of support requested.)

COMMUNICATIONS

How will you share the results of the project with others? How will the MSLA be recognized for its funding contribution?

Opportunities for Volunteer Involvement

YES NO

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION & PROTECTION OF PRIVACY (FOIPP) ACT

The personal information required on the APOS MSL Grant Application Form is collected under the authority of section 32 (c) of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy (FOIPP) Act to administer the APOS MSL Grant Program and will be used for the purposes of determining eligibility in the grant selection. This information is protected by the privacy provisions of the FOIPP Act.

Signature of Applicant: _____ **Date:** _____

Printed Name: _____



Please send completed forms by email to grants@apos.ab.ca or by mail to the Alberta Professional Outfitters Society (APOS) #100, 3802-49 Ave, Stony Plain, AB T7Z 2J7. Phone inquiries can be directed to 780-414-0249.