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MEMORANDUM

TO: All Qualified Applicants

FROM: Taylor Brown
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SUBJECT: Georgia Outdoor Stewardship Program
2022-2023 Funding Cycle and Educational Workshop Announcement

The Georgia Department of Natural Resources (DNR) is pleased to announce the Georgia Outdoor Stewardship Program (GOSP) Funding Cycle and Educational Workshops dates for the 2022-2023 funding cycle.

Below you will find information on the Program, as well as the dates and times for the webinar-based workshops that are being offered. These are excellent opportunities to become familiar with the program and get invaluable guidance on the application processes and criteria. The GOSP Funding Cycle dates are included below.

Georgia Outdoor Stewardship Program

Georgia Outdoor Stewardship Program (GOSP) is a grant and loan program administered by the Georgia Department of Natural Resources and authorized by The Georgia Outdoor Stewardship Act. Through GOSP, Conserve Georgia Grants and Loans are dispersed for the purpose of providing stewardship to state parks; state lands and wildlife management areas; to support local parks and trails; and to protect critical conservation lands. Eligible applicants include qualified local governments (as determined by the Department of Community Affairs), constituted recreation authorities, state agencies and nongovernmental entities with a core mission of conservation.

GOSP Funding Cycle Dates are as follows:

- August 1, 2022 - Pre-application window opens
- October 14, 2022 - Pre-application window closes
- Spring 2023 - Successful Pre-applicants notified
- Spring 2023 - Second-level Application window opens
- May 30, 2023 - Second-level Application period closes
- Summer 2023 - Final Approval of Projects

GOSP Workshops

DNR Grants Staff will conduct two webinar-based Educational Workshops, covering the highlights of the Program and offering training on the application process. These workshops will be at no cost to the public, but we do ask that you RSVP at <https://gadnr.org/grants>. Each webinar will be limited to 100 log-ins to accommodate effective question and answer opportunities. Early registration is encouraged to secure your desired date.

Workshop dates and times are as follows:

Tuesday, June 7, 2022, 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Wednesday, June 15, 2022, 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

If you have any questions or need additional information concerning the workshops, please contact Ronald Woods, GOSP Grant Specialist at (404) 463-0288 or ronald.woods@dnr.ga.gov

We look forward to partnering with you in providing quality outdoor resources for your citizens.

cc: Members of the GOSA Board of Trustees
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