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Money Available for Wildlife Projects in 2016

Montana Audubon will be offering small grants in early 2016. This money, generated by an endowment fund called the Audubon Wildlife Fund of Montana, will be awarded to individuals or nonprofit organizations whose project directly benefits wildlife in Montana. Preference will be given to projects involving nongame wildlife, from birds to invertebrates, and their habitats. In 2016, we will be able to give \$1,600 total in grants.

The purpose of the Audubon Wildlife Fund of Montana is to support research or other activities that focus on the preservation, enhancement and public appreciation of Montana's wildlife and natural communities. Eligible uses of the funds include mileage, supplies, equipment for schools or nonprofit organizations, printing, and communications. Ineligible uses include salaries, stipends, per diem and personal equipment.

Interested applicants should submit an Audubon Wildlife Fund application form (found on our website) that emphasizes the significance of the proposed project in regard to its research, educational and/or recreational value. Proposals should abide by the following guidelines:

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1. Because of limited resources, successful grants are generally less than \$500.
2. All proposals should be typed and submitted on the form provided by Montana Audubon and limited to 2 pages in length (found at <http://mtaudubon.org/about/wildlife-grants/>). Individual categories on the application form can be expanded or reduced in size, depending on the needs of the applicant, but the overall application should be 2 pages. Attachments that illustrate important aspects of the project are welcome.
3. **All proposals must be received (preferably electronically) no later than Friday, December 11, 2015.**
4. Review and scoring of all proposals will be performed by a committee appointed by the Montana Audubon Board of Directors. Preference will be given to small nonprofit organizations, research projects, and graduate students.
5. Each proposal should include a letter of reference regarding your ability to accomplish the project.
6. Grant applicants must agree to submit a short report on the status of the project and how funds were used.

Proposals should be submitted by email (preferred) to: jellis@mtaudubon.org.

Or by Mail: Audubon Wildlife Fund
Montana Audubon
P.O. Box 595, Helena, MT 59624

Applications must be postmarked no later than Friday, December 11, 2015. Grant winner(s) will be announced no later than February 1, 2016.

***Please share this notice to others who might be interested.
Thanks!***