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Subject: Reminder: American Turtle Observatory grant applications due 11/11/16

American Turtle Observatory Announces its 2nd Annual Call for Conservation Grant Applications

American Turtle Observatory, a conservation and research organization based in Massachusetts, is excited to announce its 2nd annual grants program to support landscape conservation for North American freshwater turtles. We will consider small awards of \$500 to \$1000. Applications are due by Friday, November 11, 2016.

To Apply: Please visit https://urldefense.proofpoint.com/v2/url?u=http-3A__americanturtles.org_grants&d=CwIF-g&c=Ngd-ta5yRYsqeUsEDgxhcq5YY1Xs5ogLxWPA_2Wic4&tr=e20J1azRFn8ihJzh2HxZT0AqoiqLvxfeeTyN59ZLol&m=CR6DAHTNzsh2ZsBQ79hnGTCgO5Oq5YzIzQPNEvosYDzs&s=sjKJL6T9cXrmpRcQXRvOyMCdwFzyGSKrQXpAcNjSOYA&e=, complete the web form, and upload a 2 page PDF proposal. In your proposal, please outline your budget, timeline, and deliverables. The ATO grants committee will review proposals and make a final decision by November 30, 2016. Awards will be made on a reimbursement basis upon receipt of a final report.

Eligible Projects: Projects must advance the conservation of landscapes that are critical for the conservation of freshwater turtles in North America OR otherwise support long-term, field-based research or conservation. Focal landscapes, widespread SGCN, and range restricted taxa (listed below) will be prioritized, especially those species for which there are limited alternative funding sources.

Focal Landscapes

- I. Northeastern United States and eastern Canada
- II. Gulf of Mexico Coastal Plain
- III. Sonoran Desert
- IV. Sierra Madre Occidental
- V. Chihuahuan Desert
- VI. Florida
- VII. Greater Antilles

Widespread or Regional Species of Greatest Conservation Need (SGCN)

- I. Wood Turtle (*Glyptemys insculpta*)
- II. Blanding's Turtle (*Emydoidea blandingii*)
- III. Spotted Turtle (*Clemmys guttata*)
- IV. American Box Turtles (*Terrapene* spp.)
- V. Western Pond Turtles (*Actinemys* spp.)

Range-Restricted Species and Lineages (see website for details).