

**STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
SIERRA NEVADA CONSERVANCY**

**Sierra Nevada Conservancy Grant Program Safe Drinking Water,  
Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection  
Bond Act of 2006 (Proposition 84)**

**Applicant:** Pacific Forest Trust

**Project Title:** Campstool Ranch and Working Forest

**Subregion:** South Central

**County:** Calaveras

**SNC Funding:** \$ 350,000.00

**Total Project Cost:** \$4,063,005.00

**Application Number:** 489

**Final Score:** 90

**PROJECT SCOPE**

Pacific Forest Trust will acquire a conservation easement on the 2,168 acre Campstool Ranch and Working Forest located in Calaveras County, in the Upper Calaveras Watershed. The easement will permanently protect and enhance the property's working timberlands and oak woodlands, well-managed cattle ranching, historic sites and important watershed resources. These goals will be accomplished through easement terms that specifically meet the goals and mission of Proposition 84 and SNC. The SNC grant funds would be used solely towards the purchase price of the conservation easement under option with the landowner.

The easement will limit development, road building and other land uses that can increase impermeable surfaces, concentrate flows and generate sediment in riparian areas. The landowners will dedicate the property's water rights to approved uses on the ranch and in-stream flows. These terms will provide protection to the eight springs and 5.8 miles of streams on the property, including 3 miles of the North Fork of the Calaveras River, which flows into the New Hogan Reservoir and San Joaquin River Delta, providing drinking and irrigation water to Valley farmers.

**PROJECT SCHEDULE**

| <b>DETAILED PROJECT DELIVERABLES</b>   | <b>TIMELINE</b>             |
|--|-----------------------------|
| Sign Grant Agreement with SNC  | August 2012                 |
| Submit Project Documentation (Easement, Baseline Report, Monitoring Plan, Preliminary Title Report) to SNC and Wildlife Conservation Board for Review/Approval | August 2012 – December 2012 |
| Submit progress report to SNC  | January 2013                |

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| Complete Escrow Instructions for Closing w/ SNC and WCB review and approval | June 2013               |
| Submit progress report to SNC   | June 2013               |
| Close and Record Conservation Easement                                      | October 2013            |
| Submit Final Report to SNC  | November 2013           |
| <b>FINAL PAYMENT/FINAL PAYMENT REQUEST</b>                                  | <b>December 1, 2013</b> |

### PROJECT COSTS

| PROJECT BUDGET CATEGORIES | TOTAL SNC FUNDING |
|---------------------------|-------------------|
| Direct*                   | \$350,000         |
| Indirect**                | 0                 |
| Administrative***         | 0                 |
| <b>GRAND TOTAL</b>        | <b>\$350,000</b>  |

\* Direct: Direct costs are expenses necessary to acquire, construct, or to adapt property to a new or different use, or to improve property including land, buildings and equipment. The property/expense must have a useful life longer than one year.

\*\* Indirect: Expenses involve ongoing operations, repair or maintenance costs, regardless of whether the repair or maintenance may last more than one year.

\*\*\* Administrative: Expenses associated with the administration of a project and may not exceed 15 percent of the total SNC grant request for direct and indirect costs.

### PROJECT LETTERS

- Support
  - Senator Ted Gaines
  - Assemblywoman Kristin Olsen
  - Calaveras County Supervisor Steve Wilensky
  - Thomas Tinsley, CalFire
  - Randy Metzger Jr., County Assessor (retired)
  - Matt McNicol, NRCS
  - Will Dorrell, Registered Professional Forester

### PROJECT PERFORMANCE MEASURES

There are four Performance Measures common to all grants. In addition, grantees are required to include between one and three project-specific measures. Performance Measures listed here represent those proposed by applicants and may be modified through further discussion with SNC staff.

- Acres of land conserved (projected at 2,168 acres)
- Linear Feet of Stream Bank Protected (projected at 30,624 linear feet)