

QUALITY GROWTH COMMISSION

LeRay McAllister Critical Land Conservation Fund Eligible Costs Policy

Eligible costs include:

A. For property acquisition grants

- 1. Purchase of land or conservation easement
- 2. Direct costs related to the transaction, (These costs must be approved separately by the Quality Growth Commission before they will be paid) such as

Environmental assessments

- Surveys
- Title insurance
- Legal costs, such as drafting a conservation easement, conveyance of water rights, etc.
- 3. Endowments

No more than 5% of any grant can be used for costs other than the purchase; i.e. items 2 and 3 can not be more than 5% of the grant.

B. For restoration projects

- 1. project planning, mapping and engineering
- 2. wetlands delineation
- 3. acquisition of water rights
- 4. soils testing
- 5. grading
- 6. excavation
- 7. channeling
- 8. stabilization
- 9. soil application
- 10. revegetation, planting and seeding
- 11. etc.

It is very important that applicants prepare the project budget as

accurately as possible. Due to limited funds, the Commission discourages applicants from submitting requests for additional funds after a grant has been approved, although we retain the option to entertain an additional request if there is some compelling case. We want to be clear to applicants that it is highly unlikely for an additional funding request to be granted for a previously approved project. This does not mean that applicants are discouraged from submitting subsequent applications for new projects or planned phases of a project.

If you have any questions, please contact John Bennett of the Commission staff at jbennett@utah.gov or (801) 538-1696.