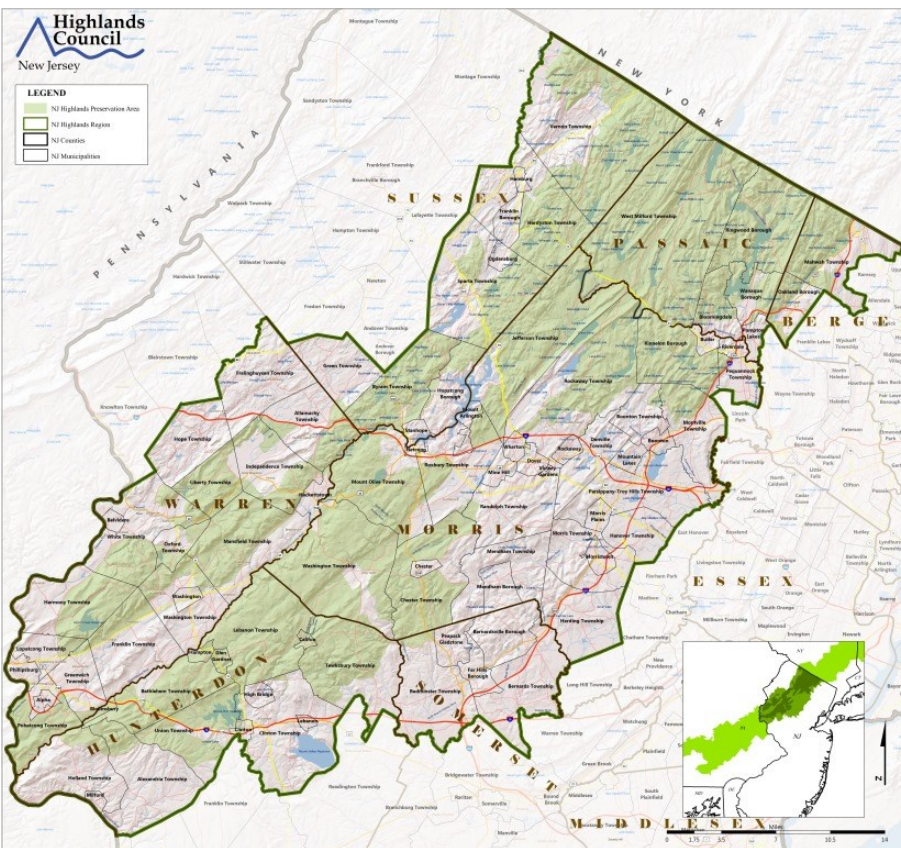


# Grant Funding Opportunities

## With the New Jersey Highlands Water Protection and Planning Council

The Highlands Council works in partnership with the 88 municipalities and 7 counties of the Highlands to encourage a regional approach to protecting the sensitive natural and cultural resources of this area. The Highlands Council provides planning grants, technical expertise, and coordination with other state agencies to help Highlands communities maximize the environmental and economic benefits of being located in this important region. Although the Highlands covers less than 15% of the state's land area, it is the source of drinking water for more than 70% of New Jerseyans.



The New Jersey Highlands includes 88 municipalities in parts of 7 counties: Bergen, Hunterdon, Morris, Passaic, Somerset, Sussex and Warren. It is also part of the 4-state federal Highlands Region.

### Highlands Council Grants

- ✓ **Non-competitive**
- ✓ **No match required**
- ✓ **No minimum or maximum**
- ✓ **Eligible applicants:** Highlands municipal and county governments
- ✓ **Eligible expenses:** planning, design and engineering costs
- ✓ **Reimbursement-based**

**Technical Assistance & State Agency Coordination Available.**

# Funding available for a wide range of planning activities



## Recreation and Preservation Planning

- ✓ Land Preservation & Stewardship Plans
- ✓ Farmland Preservation & Agriculture Retention Plans
- ✓ Historic Preservation Plan and Cultural Resource Inventory
- ✓ Trails and Recreation Planning
- ✓ Open Space and Recreation Plans



## Resource Management Planning

- ✓ Lake Management Planning
- ✓ Stream Corridor Protection/Restoration
- ✓ Water Quality Monitoring
- ✓ Habitat Conservation & Management
- ✓ Forest Stewardship
- ✓ Environmental Resource Inventories
- ✓ Scenic Resource Management



## Infrastructure Planning

- ✓ Stormwater Management
- ✓ Water Use and Conservation Management Plans
- ✓ Alternative Wastewater Solutions
- ✓ Wastewater Management Plans
- ✓ Septic System Management/Maintenance



## Land Use Planning

- ✓ Sustainable Economic Development
- ✓ Redevelopment Planning
- ✓ Town Center Planning
- ✓ Green Building
- ✓ Municipal Master Plan Reexamination and Updates

## Examples of Funded Projects



**Musconetcong River Streambank Stabilization Plan**  
\$89,000 | Roxbury Township, Morris County



**Municipal Center and Trail Feasibility Plan**  
\$38,000 | Vernon Township, Sussex County



**Circulation Plan**  
\$50,000 | Town of Phillipsburg, Warren County



**Economic Development Plan**  
\$75,000 | Hunterdon County



**Stormwater Infrastructure Mapping**  
\$70,000 | West Milford Township, Passaic County



**Municipal Beach and Watershed Restoration Plan**  
\$60,000 | Mount Arlington Borough, Morris County