

State Of Maryland 2016 Bond Bill Fact Sheet

1. Senate LR # Bill #		House LR # Bill #		2. Name Of Project
lr3251	sb0642			Northwest Trek Conservation and Education Center
3. Senate Bill Sponsors				House Bill Sponsors
Hough				
4. Jurisdiction (County or Baltimore City)				5. Requested Amount
Frederick County				\$50,000
6. Purpose of Bill				
the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of the Northwest Trek Conservation and Education Center				
7. Matching Fund				
Requirements: Equal			Type: The matching fund may consist of in kind contributions.	
8. Special Provisions				
<input type="checkbox"/> Historical Easement			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Non-Sectarian	
9. Contact Name and Title			Contact Ph#	Email Address
Chuck Eicholz			301-271-4912	ceicholz@cwpxoo.com
10. Description and Purpose of Organization (Limit length to visible area)				
<p>The Global Wildlife Trust is a non-profit organization dedicated to broadening human understanding of the animal world. This is achieved through immersion in naturalistic habitat recreations and educational programs using live animals and instructional tools both on-site at Catoctin Wildlife Preserve and Zoo and through presentations in the greater community. GWT strives to provide the highest level of competent care for its resident wildlife ambassadors and to support the conservation of their wild counterparts in unspoiled habitats.</p>				

11. Description and Purpose of Project (Limit length to visible area)

There will be three public viewing areas within the exhibit. One is low wall abutting a water feature where adults and children can see the habitat without any intruding man made barriers. The second viewing port is in the rear of the exhibit, a 200-foot path and boardwalk to the back of the exhibit where guests viewing through glass panels at eye to eye level. The third vista is inside a log lodge. The lower level of the structure will be able to be divided from 1 to 3 different classrooms using movable dividing walls. The classrooms will have large windows looking into the exhibit on the same level of the wolves. The upper level of the structure will be used for exhibit viewing, giving guests a panoramic view of Wolf Woods.

Round all amounts to the nearest \$1,000. The totals in Items 12 (Estimated Capital Costs) and 13 (Proposed Funding Sources) must match. The proposed funding sources must not include the value of real property unless an equivalent value is shown under Estimated Capital Costs.

12. Estimated Capital Costs

Acquisition	\$0
Design	\$7,000
Construction	\$312,000
Equipment	
Total	\$319,000

13. Proposed Funding Sources - (List all funding sources and amounts.)

2016 State Grant	\$50,000
Membership donations	\$32,000
2015 Maryland State Grant House bill #71	\$50,000
Special events	\$95,000
Programs	\$15,000
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Zoo admissions	\$59,000
Total	\$319,000

14. Project Schedule (Enter a date or one of the following in each box. N/A, TBD or Complete)			
Begin Design	Complete Design	Begin Construction	Complete Construction
Underway	7/29/2016	9/19/2016	5/19/2017
15. Total Private Funds and Pledges Raised	16. Current Number of People Served Annually at Project Site	17. Number of People to be Served Annually After the Project is Complete	
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18. Other State Capital Grants to Recipients in the Past 15 Years			
Legislative Session	Amount	Purpose	
2015 House Bill 71	\$50,000	Phase One Northwest Trek Conservation and Educati	
Maryland			
19. Legal Name and Address of Grantee		Project Address (If Different)	
Global Wildlife Trust, Inc. 13019 Catoctin Furnace Rd. Thurmont, MD 21788			
20. Legislative District in Which Project is Located	3B - Frederick County		
21. Legal Status of Grantee (Please Check One)			
Local Govt.	For Profit	Non Profit	Federal
[]	[]	[X]	[]
22. Grantee Legal Representative		23. If Match Includes Real Property:	
Name:	Rick Hahn	Has An Appraisal Been Done?	Yes/No
Phone:	301-271-4922		
Address:		If Yes, List Appraisal Dates and Value	
Global Wildlife Trust, Inc. dba Catoctin Wildlife Preserve and Zoo 13019 Catoctin Furnace Rd. Thurmont, MD 21788			

24. Impact of Project on Staffing and Operating Cost at Project Site			
Current # of Employees	Projected # of Employees	Current Operating Budget	Projected Operating Budget
35	55	1350000.00	1750000.00
25. Ownership of Property (Info Requested by Treasurer's Office for bond purposes)			
A. Will the grantee own or lease (pick one) the property to be improved?			Own
B. If owned, does the grantee plan to sell within 15 years?			No
C. Does the grantee intend to lease any portion of the property to others?			No
D. If property is owned by grantee any space is to be leased, provide the following:			
Lessee	Terms of Lease	Cost Covered by Lease	Square Footage Leased
E. If property is leased by grantee - Provide the following:			
Name of Leaser	Length of Lease	Options to Renew	
26. Building Square Footage:			
Current Space GSF	0		
Space to be Renovated GSF			
New GSF	5408 Sq. Ft		

27. Year of Construction of Any Structures Proposed for Renovation, Restoration or Conversion

2016

28. Comments

We are committed to this mission because we believe promoting harmonious coexistence of all species is our duty as stewards of the Earth.

The northwest trek project will give students and guests an immersive look and view of the lives of the wolves and other North American Animals. During educational programs and special events, our visitors will be able to interact with many of these animals and get "hands On" experience.

It will also have new public bathrooms, new vending bar as well as seating area large enough for gatherings up to 100 people. There will be 2 outside decks that will overlook the exhibit and give guests options to sit back, relax and observe the animals in the exhibits. The entire structure will also give us a new venue for sleepovers for scouts and other small community groups and/or families.

The total square footage of the new educational building will be 5408 square feet divided into two levels.

Since 1966, Catoctin Wildlife Preserve and Zoo has been a beloved Frederick County attraction, seeing 70 thousand visitors each year and hosting approximately 11,000 school children from around the area. Events like summer camps, family reunions and company picnics make the preserve an educational, community activity facility.

An innovative new home for our White Wolf pack is ready to break ground soon. The multi-acre paddock will provide our wolves with an enriched, more natural and expanded environment for them to explore and show off their natural behaviors.

By locating it next to the Bison and the future planned Prairie Dog digs, you and your guests will experience the wolves in an environment consistent with a visit to our great American west. When complete, Wolf Woods will enhance the lives of our animals, provide a wonderful educational environment for our guests, children to seniors, and include event space for family, community and business events.

Thank you for considering helping us with by being included in the 2016 Maryland State budget process. Please go to <http://cwpzoo.com/wolf-woods/> to see concept art, initial facility designs, more detailed information about us and the exhibit. Together, well continue to bring people and animals closer.

Sincerely,

Rick Hahn

Executive Director

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P.S. The White Wolves will howl with joy with funding from the state to help expand and enhance their home, and so will we! Thank you.