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Online Resources

You can also find additional information about Maine's stream crossings on the websites listed below.

Maine Department of Conservation — Maine Forest Service

Information on stream crossing surveys and identifying problem crossings in Maine. www.maine.gov/doc/mfs/fpm/water/stream_crossing.html

Maine Department of Transportation — Environmental Office

View the 2008 Fish Passage Policy and Design Guide - a manual to help design better crossings. www.maine.gov/mdot/environmental-office-homepage/other_environmental.php

Gulf of Maine Council on the Marine Environment

The Habitat Restoration Web Portal provides information on funding, project planning, and stream barrier removal monitoring guidelines. http://restoration.gulfofmaine.org/index.php

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration — Fisheries Restoration Center

The FRC's Community-based Restoration Program provides technical assistance and funding. www.nmfs.noaa.gov/habitat/restoration/

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service — Gulf of Maine Coastal Program

GOMCP is a potential source for technical assistance and funding for projects. www.fws.gov/northeast/gulfofmaine/projects/restore_diad%20fish.htm

U.S. Department of Agriculture — Natural Resources Conservation Service, Maine

The Wildlife Habitat Incentives Program (WHIP) provides technical and financial assistance to landowners for developing, improving or managing wildlife habitat or for restoring natural ecosystems. http://www.me.nrcs.usda.gov/programs/WHIP.html



GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

Grant funding may be available to help defray the costs of new stream crossings that are more friendly to fish and wildlife. Check the websites below for availability, deadlines, and details about the application process.

Gulf of Maine Council — NOAA Habitat Restoration Grants Program

In partnership with the NOAA community-based Restoration Program, the Gulf of Maine Council on the Marine Environment provides grants to support a strategic approach to marine, coastal, and riverine habitat restoration in Maine, Massachusetts, and New Hampshire. http://restoration.gulfofmaine.org/grants

NOAA — The Nature Conservancy Community-based Matching Grants

Funds marine and coastal habitat restoration projects that benefit fish and shellfish around the coastal United States. Preference will be given to projects at priority sites identified through Marine Ecoregional Assessments and other TNC priority setting approaches at the state and territory level. http://www.restoration.noaa.gov/funding/crp.html

NOAA Open Rivers Initiative

Funds the removal of obsolete dams and other stream barriers to improve fisheries, enhance public safety, and boost local economies through benefits resulting from removal. http://www.habitat.noaa.gov/funding/ori.html

NOAA American Rivers Partnership

American Rivers River Restoration Grants Funds dam and barrier removal projects that restore and improve migratory fish habitat. http://www.americanrivers.org/our-work/restoring-rivers/dams/noaa-grants-program.html

Trout Unlimited Embrace-A-Stream Program

Grants up to \$10,000 are available to support local Trout Unlimited chapters in conserving, protecting, and restoring cold water fisheries and their watersheds. http://www.tu.org/conservation/watershed-restoration-home-rivers-initiative/embrace-a-stream

Eastern Brook Trout Joint Venture

The Eastern Brook Trout Joint Venture is an element of the National Fish Habitat Initiative, and is composed of a diverse group of partners, including state fish and wildlife agencies, federal resource agencies, academic institutions and private sector conservation organizations working to conserve Eastern brook trout and their habitats. The EBTJV funds a variety of habitat enhancement projects, such as culvert replacements, that benefit brook trout. http://www.easternbrooktrout.net/











