**­2024 America’s Ecosystem Restoration Initiative: America the Beautiful Challenge – Full Proposal Project Narrative**

**Instructions:** Save this document on your computer and complete the narrative. You may use single spacing, but font should not be smaller than 10 pt. The final narrative should not exceed Nine (9) pages; do not delete the text provided below. Once complete, upload this document into the Easygrants application as instructed.

**Grant Category:** Choose an item.

1. What are the primary project outcomes (the intended result of the project) and why is this project needed?
2. What are the major project activities that will lead to the outcomes provided above (project actions and timeline/workplan)?
3. Select which Program Priorities listed in the RFP will be addressed by the project?

Engage Local Communities

Support Tribally Led Conservation and Restoration Priorities

Contribute to Local or Tribal Economies

Contribute to Workforce Development

Advance the Restoration and Resiliency Framework and Keystone Initiatives

Advance Sentinel Landscape Partnership Priorities.

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Benefit At-Risk Fish, Wildlife, and Plant Species

Expand Habitat Connectivity

Deliver Conservation and Restoration Across Jurisdictions

Provide a Range of Ecosystem Services

Strengthen Ecosystem and Community Resilience

Expand Public and Community Access to Nature

Strengthen Ecosystem and Community Resilience

1. How will the project outcomes or activities contribute to the priorities selected above?
2. How will the project metrics be monitored/measured and how will challenges or limitations with tracking be addressed?
3. How will the project address established plans (e.g., management, conservation, species recovery), Indigenous Knowledge, or an identified conservation or restoration planning need or gap?
4. Who are the partners working on this project and what are their contributions to the project? (e.g., organizations, agencies, landowners, community groups)
5. Who are the key individuals on the project team and what are their relevant qualifications for project implementation?
6. Who was or will be engaged in project development and implementation (beyond the project partners)? (e.g., communities, user groups, affected/impacted constituencies, and stakeholders) And how will they or were they engaged?
7. What is the demographic information of the engaged community(ies)? Use table below, only one factor needed per community. (i.e., you do not need to provide Race/Ethnicity, poverty rate, low income %, and annualized unemployment rate for every community, rather you only need to provide ONE of any of the factors listed below).

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| **Community(ies)** | **Race/Ethnicity %** | **Poverty Rate** | **Low Income %** | **Annualized Unemployment Rate** |
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1. How will long term project sustainability or implementation be ensured (i.e., beyond the grant period) and what are the plans for ongoing monitoring, maintenance, and stewardship?
2. Is this project connected to another ATBC 2024 proposal? If yes, please provide the program name and a 5-digit Easygrants ID number.
3. Did you apply to any other currently open NFWF RFP with this project? If yes, please provide the 5-digit Easygrants ID number.
4. Are you submitting this project as a full proposal to another program? Yes ☐ If yes, which program?
5. Did you include additional uploads (e.g., supplemental budget narrative, letters of support, photos, copies of environmental compliance documents)? If yes, please list them. *Check the Tip Sheet for upload size limits and file type requirements.*
6. For projects in Categories 1-4, have you started federal environmental compliance (e.g., National Environmental Policy Act, Endangered Species Act, or National Historic Preservation Act) for project activities?  Yes  No – If yes, please provide a summary of the federal agency(ies) that are involved and what documentation has been/or will be produced. *Please see the FAQ document for more information.*

*For National Forest Grants only:*

*Letters of support provided by each Forest Service Unit  Yes  No*

*Federal Environmental Compliance (NEPA, ESA, NHPA) discussed with Forest Service Units  Yes  No*

*For Sentinel Landscape Grants only:*

*Letter of endorsement from the lead Military Service to display support for the proposed activities  Yes  No*

*Federal Environmental Compliance (NEPA, ESA, NHPA) discussed with the lead Military Service  Yes  No*

1. Anything else we should know?
2. Would you like to **opt OUT** of consideration for other funding opportunities (within NFWF and with other ATBC funding partners)? Yes