

2011 CONSERVATION PARTNERS

CINNABAR FOUNDATION

In 2011, grant applicants could elect to apply for the Cinnabar Foundation's ongoing General Operating and Special Project grants or grants in those two categories specifically related to a Montana Climate Initiative. As a result, 71 competitive grants were awarded in the Climate Initiative categories.

GENERAL OPERATING GRANTEES

\$172,000 – 45 Grants

Climate Initiative

<u>Alternative Energy Resources Organization</u>	Helena, MT	\$4,000
<u>Big Hole River Foundation</u>	Butte, MT	\$1,000
<u>Big Hole Watershed Committee</u>	Divide, MT	\$3,000
<u>Bitter Root Land Trust</u>	Hamilton, MT	\$5,000
<u>Blackfoot Challenge</u>	Ovando, MT	\$4,000
<u>Centennial Valley Association</u>	Dillon, MT	\$2,000
<u>Citizens for a Better Flathead</u>	Kalispell, MT	\$4,000
<u>Clark Fork Coalition</u>	Missoula, MT	\$8,000
<u>Clark Fork-Pend Oreille Conservancy</u>	Noxon, MT	\$3,000
<u>Five Valley Land Trust</u>	Missoula, MT	\$5,000
<u>Flathead Land Trust</u>	Kalispell, MT	\$5,000
<u>Gallatin Valley Land Trust</u>	Bozeman, MT	\$5,000
<u>Glacier Institute</u>	Kalispell, MT	\$2,000
<u>Great Burn Study Group</u>	Missoula, MT	\$4,000
<u>Headwaters Montana</u>	Whitefish, MT	\$2,000
<u>Lower Clark Fork Watershed Group</u>	Heron, MT	\$2,000
<u>Madison Farm to Fork</u>	Ennis, MT	\$2,000
<u>Madison Valley Ranchlands Group</u>	Ennis, MT	\$3,000
<u>Montana Audubon</u>	Helena, MT	\$5,000
<u>Montana Conservation Voters Education Fund</u>	Billings, MT	\$6,000
<u>Montana Environmental Information Center</u>	Helena, MT	\$10,000

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GENERAL OPERATING GRANTEES cont.

Climate Initiative cont.

<u>Montana Land Reliance</u>	Helena, MT	\$5,000
<u>Montana Outdoor Science School</u>	Bozeman, MT	\$3,000
<u>Montana Raptor Conservation Center</u>	Bozeman, MT	\$1,000
<u>National Wildlife Federation</u>	Missoula, MT	\$5,000
<u>Native Ecosystems Council</u>	Willow Creek, MT	\$1,000
<u>Northern Plains Resource Council</u>	Billings, MT	\$8,000
<u>Owl Research Institute</u>	Charlo, MT	\$1,000
<u>Park County Environmental Council</u>	Livingston, MT	\$3,000
<u>Prickly Pear Land Trust</u>	Helena, MT	\$5,000
<u>Student Advocates for Valuing the Environment</u>	Helena, MT	\$2,000
<u>Swan Ecosystem Center</u>	Condon, MT	\$4,000
<u>Swan View Coalition</u>	Kalispell, MT	\$4,000
<u>Watershed Education Network</u>	Missoula, MT	\$2,000
<u>Western Organization of Resource Councils</u>	Billings, MT	\$5,000
<u>Western Sustainability Exchange</u>	Livingston, MT	\$5,000
<u>Yaak Valley Forest Council</u>	Troy, MT	\$6,000

Non-Climate Initiatives

<u>Friends of Scotchman Peaks Wilderness</u>	Sandpoint, ID	\$3,000
<u>Friends of the Missouri Breaks Monument</u>	Lewistown, MT	\$2,000
<u>Montana Natural History Center</u>	Missoula, MT	\$6,000
<u>Montana Wilderness Association</u>	Helena, MT	\$8,000
<u>Raptors of the Rockies</u>	Florence, MT	\$3,000
<u>Rock Creek Alliance</u>	Sandpoint, ID	\$2,000
<u>Rocky Mountain Front Weed Roundtable</u>	Choteau, MT	\$2,000
<u>Selway-Bitterroot Frank Church Foundation</u>	Missoula, MT	\$1,000

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SPECIAL PROJECT GRANTEES

\$97,750 – 39 Grants

Climate Initiative

<u>Absaroka-Beartooth Wilderness Foundation</u>	Billings, MT	\$750
<i>"Glacier monitoring project in the Absaroka and Beartooth Mountains"</i>		
<u>American Prairie Foundation</u>	Bozeman, MT	\$1,000
<i>"Support of volunteer opportunities"</i>		
<u>Backcountry Hunters and Anglers, MT Chapter</u>	Missoula, MT	\$2,000
<i>"Wilderness hunters rendezvous"</i>		
<u>Bitter Root Water Forum</u>	Hamilton, MT	\$2,000
<i>"Bitterroot partnership capacity building"</i>		
<u>Cabinet Resource Group</u>	Heron, MT	\$3,000
<i>"Campaign for the Cabinets"</i>		
<u>Center for Large Landscape Conservation</u>	Bozeman, MT	\$1,000
<i>"Participatory conservation in advancing climate adaptation in the Crown of the Continent"</i>		
<u>Climate Solutions</u>	Missoula, MT	\$3,000
<i>"Montana business leaders for clean energy"</i>		
<u>Craighead Institute</u>	Bozeman, MT	\$1,000
<i>"Engaging citizen scientists in Montana for research on American Pika"</i>		
<u>Flathead Audubon Society</u>	Kalispell, MT	\$1,000
<i>"Conservation education program"</i>		
<u>Friends of Two Rivers</u>	Milltown, MT	\$2,000
<i>"Milltown information services and events"</i>		
<u>Greater Gallatin Watershed Council</u>	Bozeman, MT	\$3,000
<i>"Restoring and maintaining health of the Gallatin River watershed"</i>		
<u>Headwaters Cooperative Recycling</u>	Helena, MT	\$1,000
<i>"Woodsy Owl education program"</i>		
<u>Invasive Species Action Network</u>	Livingston, MT	\$1,000
<i>"Detecting new biological invaders"</i>		
<u>Montana Forest Restoration Committee</u>	Missoula, MT	\$2,000
<i>"Education and outreach"</i>		
<u>Montana Renewable Energy Association</u>	Missoula, MT	\$3,000
<i>"Demonstrating the economic benefits of renewable energy"</i>		
<u>Montana Trout Unlimited</u>	Missoula, MT	\$4,000
<i>"Water conservation for a changing climate"</i>		

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Climate Initiative cont.

<u>Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation</u>	Missoula, MT	\$3,000
<i>"Garr Canyon conservation easement"</i>		
<u>Sun River Watershed Group</u>	Great Falls, MT	\$3,000
<i>"Improving Sun River flows"</i>		
<u>The Nature Conservancy (Montana)</u>	Helena, MT	\$5,000
<i>"Landmark mineral withdrawal on the North Fork of the Flathead"</i>		
<u>The Wilderness Society (Montana Office)</u>	Bozeman, MT	\$3,000
<i>"Climate change on the Rocky Mountain Front"</i>		
<u>Townsend K-12 School District #1</u>	Townsend, MT	\$8,000
<i>"School solar panels, energy conservation and energy education project"</i>		
<u>Trout Unlimited – Big Blackfoot Chapter</u>	Ovando, MT	\$3,000
<i>"Frazier Creek fish passage/water conservation project"</i>		
<u>Trust for Public Land</u>	Bozeman, MT	\$3,000
<i>"Troy/Lake Creek forest land conservation project"</i>		
<u>University of Montana – Center for Natural Resources and Environmental Policy</u>	Missoula, MT	\$1,000
<i>"Community-based and tribal collaborative work in the Crown of the Continent"</i>		
<u>University of Montana – College of Forestry and Conservation</u>	Missoula, MT	\$3,000
<i>"Fostering undergraduate student leadership on climate solutions"</i>		
<u>University of Montana – Environmental Studies Program</u>	Missoula, MT	\$3,000
<i>"Rocky Mountain Climate Fellowship"</i>		
<u>Vital Ground Foundation</u>	Missoula, MT	\$5,000
<i>"Cabinet-Purcell wildlife linkage initiative: Yaak Mountain acquisition"</i>		
<u>Western Environmental Law Center</u>	Eugene, OR	\$3,000
<i>"Northern Rockies initiative"</i>		
<u>Whitefish Legacy Partners</u>	Whitefish, MT	\$2,000
<i>"Whitefish legacy lands"</i>		
<u>Wildlands CPR</u>	Missoula, MT	\$2,000
<i>"Monitoring watershed restoration"</i>		
<u>Wild Things Unlimited</u>	Bozeman, MT	\$2,000
<i>"Wildlife corridor citizen science"</i>		

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SPECIAL PROJECT GRANTEES cont.

Climate Initiatives cont.

<u>Working Dogs for Conservation</u>	Three Forks, MT	\$1,000
<i>"Weeds to Wolverines: Paws protecting Montana's wildlife and wild lands"</i>		
<u>Wyoming Outdoor Council</u>	Lander, WY	\$3,000
<i>"Protecting the southern Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem"</i>		

Non-Climate Initiatives

<u>Big Sky Film Institute: High Plains Films</u>	Missoula, MT	\$2,000
<i>Film: "Facing the Storm — distribution phase"</i>		
<u>Foy's to Blacktail Trails</u>	Kalispell, MT	\$3,000
<i>Land acquisition: "Phase 3 — Plum Creek timberland between Foy's Lake and Blacktail Mountain near Kalispell"</i>		
<u>Montana Association of Land Trusts</u>	Whitehall, MT	\$1,000
<i>"Montana conservation easement conference for financial professionals"</i>		
<u>Pheasants Forever — Central Montana Chapter</u>	Lewistown, MT	\$5,000
<i>Land acquisition: "Wolf Creek"</i>		
<u>Raptor View Research Institute</u>	Missoula, MT	\$1,000
<i>"Golden eagle satellite tracking project"</i>		
<u>University of Montana — Wilderness Institute</u>	Missoula, MT	\$2,000
<i>"Citizen-based monitoring and wilderness character preservation in the Hyalite Porcupine Buffalo Horn Wilderness Study Area"</i>		

SARGENT LEGACY GRANTS

\$5,000 — 2 Grants

<u>Montana Conservation Voters Education Fund</u>	Billings, MT	\$2,500
<i>"Conservation leadership project"</i>		
<u>Montana Wildlife Federation</u>	Helena, MT	\$2,500

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TAWNEY OPPORTUNITY GRANTS

\$8,500 – 3 Grants

<u>Montana Environmental Information Center</u>	Helena, MT	\$1,000
<i>"Yellowstone River Oil Spill Monitoring Project"</i>		
<u>The Nature Conservancy Canada</u>	Invermere, BC	\$5,000
<i>"North American partnership initiative to permanently prohibit all oil and gas activity and mining activity in the Flathead Valley of British Columbia"</i>		
<u>Northern Plains Resource Council</u>	Billings, MT	\$2,500
Rally: <i>"For the love of Montana"</i>		

SARGENT STEWARDSHIP AWARD DESIGNEES

\$5,000 – 1 Grant

The 2011 Leonard and Sandy Sargent Stewardship Award was presented to **Melanie and Tom Parker** for mentoring more than 700 young adults to discover and appreciate rural ecology and livelihoods in western Montana, as well as their eloquent leadership and intimate knowledge of forests, waters and wildlife that has been integral to the Montana Legacy Project, which forever conserves 310,000 acres of private forest. They selected one group to receive the \$5,000 award.

<u>Northwest Connections</u>	Condon, MT	\$5,000
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2011 SUMMARY

Grant Total – \$288,250

Number of Grants Awarded – 90