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### Nebraska Environmental Trust Announces 2017 Grants

Lincoln, NE –04/10/2017– At a meeting in Lincoln on April 6, 2017 the Board of the Nebraska Environmental Trust announced that 85 projects will receive \$16,680,000 in lottery proceeds for natural resource work in Nebraska. Out of these, 33 are newly funded grants and 52 are carry-over projects. This is the 24th year of grants from the Trust, which has provided over \$265 million dollars in lottery revenue to preserve and protect the air, water and land of our state. Some of the projects receiving funding include:

- Habitat for Humanity of Omaha ReStore – Deconstruction Program Phase 2
- Nebraska Grazing Lands Coalition – Soil Health and Water Conservation Through Grazing Cover Crops
- Lincoln Children’s Zoo – Lincoln Children’s Zoo Expansion
- Rowe Sanctuary – Wetlands for Communities and Schools
- Wachiska Audubon Society – Fertig Prairie Acquisition Project

A complete listing of all approved 2017 grants and summaries can be found on the

Nebraska Environmental Trust web site at [www.environmentaltrust.org](http://www.environmentaltrust.org).

The Nebraska Legislature created the Nebraska Environmental Trust in 1992. Using the revenue from the Nebraska Lottery, the Trust has provided grants to over 2,000 projects across the state. Anyone can apply – citizens, conservation organizations, communities, businesses and individuals that want to protect Nebraska's natural habitat, improve water quality and quantity or find ways to manage our waste. The Nebraska Environmental Trust works to preserve, protect and restore our natural resources for future generations.

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