

OCONEE COUNTY **CONSERVATION BANK BOARD**

415 South Pine Street Walhalla, SC 29691 c/o Clerk to Council

Treasurer's Report
Community First Bank Account: *****183

Period Ending: March 31, 2023						
Month Opening I	Balance	\$4541.00				
DEPOSITS:	OTAL DEPOSITS	\$0.00				
EXPENDITURE TO	S DTAL EXPENDITURES	\$0.00				
BALANCE IN A AS OF PERIOD		\$4,541.00				
Report Submitted	l by: Taylor Howard Oconee County Conservation Bank	— « Board Treasurer				



OCONEE COUNTY CONSERVATION BANK BOARD

415 South Pine Street Walhalla, SC 29691 c/o Clerk to Council

Treasurer's Report

Local Government Investment Pool

Period Ending: March 31, 2023						
Month Opening Balance	ee	\$286,349.18				
DEPOSITS Reinves	tments [Interest]	\$1,180.46				
EXPENDITURES		NONE				
BALANCE IN ACCOU AS OF PERIOD ENDI		\$287,529.64				
Report Submitted by:	Taylor Howard Oconee County Conse	ervation Bank Board Treasurer				

Oconee County, South Carolina County Council - #704

checks voided

Oconee County Conservation Bank Board

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Date	Paid To	Check #		\$\$	•	Balance	% Remain
44/00/	17.00 D		Φ.	40.00	\$ ^	621,295.00	400.000/
	17 SC Dormant Account fee		\$	10.00	\$	621,285.00	100.00%
	17 Clemson Engineering Services		\$	7,500.00	\$	613,785.00	98.79%
	8 Refund Dormant Account fee		\$	(10.00)	\$	613,795.00	98.79%
	7 MainStreet Checksfor OCCB		\$	59.54	\$	613,735.46	98.78%
	8 Elaine Morris [easement cost funding]	1100	\$	12,500.00	\$	601,235.46	96.77%
11/30/	8 Check voided due to closing not completed**		\$	(12,500.00)	\$	613,735.46	98.78%
	**will reissue new check when				\$	613,735.46	98.78%
	easement is completed				\$	613,735.46	98.78%
03/28/	9 Naturaland Trust	1102	\$	9,567.33	\$	604,168.13	97.24%
	[ck #1101 was voided to Naturaland Trust]				\$	604,168.13	97.24%
05/20/	9 Transfer to State Pool per unanimous vote by OCCB		\$	589,168.13	\$	15,000.00	2.41%
05/20/	9 Wire transfer fee		\$	20.00	\$	14,980.00	2.41%
10/16/	9 Donation from Frances Rundlett		\$	(200.00)	\$	15,180.00	2.44%
12/04/	9 Transfer in from State Pool_Cliff's Timber		\$	(58,000.00)	\$	73,180.00	11.78%
12/04/	9 Airey Law Firm_Cliff's Timber		\$	58,000.00	\$	15,180.00	2.44%
12/04/	9 Wire transfer fee		\$	15.00	\$	15,165.00	2.44%
12/04/	9 Charge from Community 1st Bank for cashier's check		\$	5.00	\$	15,160.00	2.44%
12/27/	9 Donation from Mountain Lakes Community Assoc,		\$	(500.00)	\$	15,660.00	2.52%
04/29/2	20 Donation - Rally in the Valley		\$	(1,150.00)	\$	16,810.00	
06/15/2	20 Transfer in from State Pool Gary Lyle		\$	(45,000.00)	\$	61,810.00	9.95%
	20 Wire transfer fee		\$	15.00	\$	61,795.00	9.95%
06/15/2	20 Cashier's Check fee		\$	5.00	\$	61,790.00	9.95%
	20 Gary Lyle conservation easement		\$	45,000.00	\$	16,790.00	2.70%
	20 Transfer in from State Pool_Chapman Bridge		\$	(88,000.00)	,	104,790.00	16.87%
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7/14/2020	Incoming Wire Fee		\$ 15.00	\$ 104,775.00	16.86%
7/28/2020	Chapman Bridge Fee Simple		\$ 88,000.00	\$ 16,775.00	2.70%
7/28/2020	Outgoing Wire Fee		\$ 20.00	\$ 16,755.00	2.70%
11/24/2020	Elaine Morris [easement cost funding] [official check]		\$ 12,500.00	\$ 4,255.00	0.68%
12/23/2020	Incoming Wire Fee		\$ 15.00	\$ 4,240.00	0.68%
12/23/2020	Estate of William Lyles / Naturaland Trust		\$ (66,100.00)	\$ 70,340.00	11.32%
12/28/2020	Horton Law Firm for William Lyles		\$ 66,100.00	\$ 4,240.00	0.68%
12/28/2020	Outgoing Wire Fee		\$ 20.00	\$ 4,220.00	0.68%
1/4/2021	Donation from Richard & Laura Havran		\$ (200.00)	\$ 4,420.00	0.71%
5/27/2021	Donation from Upstate Historical Seekers		\$ (500.00)	\$ 4,920.00	0.79%
7/15/2021	Transfer in from State Pool_Peggy Moore		\$ (10,000.00)	\$ 14,920.00	2.40%
7/18/2021	Wire transfer fee		\$ 15.00	\$ 14,905.00	2.40%
8/5/2021	Donation from David and Ellen Plumpe		\$ (100.00)	\$ 15,005.00	2.42%
8/26/2021	Transfer in from State Pool_Taychoedah		\$ (17,999.00)	\$ 33,004.00	5.31%
9/3/2021	Horton Law Firm for Taychoedah		\$ 17,999.00	\$ 15,005.00	2.42%
9/3/2022	Wire Transfer Fee		\$ 20.00	\$ 14,985.00	2.41%
10/1/2021	Refund from Horton Law Firm for Wire		\$ (20.00)	\$ 15,005.00	2.42%
10/4/2021	Peggy Moore Conservation Easement		\$ 10,000.00	\$ 5,005.00	0.81%
10/7/2021	Donation from Waterside Crossing		\$ (200.00)	\$ 5,205.00	0.84%
10/14/2021	Refund from Derrick, Ritter, Williams, & Morris Wire Fee		\$ (35.00)	\$ 5,240.00	0.84%
11/18/2021	Donation from Mountain Lakes Community Assoc,		\$ (500.00)	\$ 5,740.00	0.92%
	Donation from Richard & Laura Havran		\$ (200.00)	5,940.00	0.96%
12/13/2022	Transfer from State Pool_Whetstone Hill		\$ (11,499.00)	\$ 17,439.00	2.81%
	Derrick, Ritter, Williams, & Morris_Whetstone Hill	1103	\$ 11,499.00	\$ 5,940.00	0.96%
1/7/2022	Transfer from State Pool_Crawford Mill		\$ (26,000.00)	\$ 31,940.00	5.14%
1/25/2022	Derrick, Ritter, Williams, & Morris_Crawford Mill	1104	\$ 29,999.00	\$ 1,941.00	0.31%
4/13/2022	Donation from Oly Lombary		\$ (2,000.00)	\$ 3,941.00	0.63%
6/1/2022	Donation from John & Nancy Johnston		\$ (100.00)	\$ 4,041.00	0.65%
12/5/2022	Donation from Richard and Laura Havran		\$ (500.00)	\$ 4,541.00	0.73%

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Date		Paid To	Check #	\$\$	Balance	% Remain
į	5/22/2019	Beginning Balance			\$ 589,168.13	
ţ	5/31/2019	Reinvestment		\$ (406.65)	\$ 589,574.78	100.1%
(6/30/3019	Reinvestment		\$ (1,214.95)	\$ 590,789.73	100.3%
7	7/31/2019	Reinvestment		\$ (1,213.15)	\$ 592,002.88	100.5%
8	8/31/2019	Reinvestment		\$ (1,145.54)	\$ 593,148.42	100.7%
ę	9/30/2019	Reinvestment		\$ (1,061.07)	\$ 594,209.49	100.9%
10	0/31/2019	Reinvestment		\$ (1,049.05)	\$ 595,258.54	101.0%
11	1/30/2019	Reinvestment		\$ (940.93)	\$ 596,199.47	101.2%
•	12/4/2019	Withdrawal - Cliff's Timber LLC		\$ 58,000.00	\$ 538,199.47	91.3%
12	2/31/2019	Reinvestment		\$ (851.12)	\$ 539,050.59	91.5%
•	1/31/2020	Reinvestment		\$ (827.98)	\$ 539,878.57	91.6%
2	2/29/2020	Reinvestment		\$ (747.66)	\$ 540,626.23	91.8%
3	3/31/2020	Reinvestment		\$ (725.97)	\$ 541,352.20	91.9%
4	4/30/2020	Reinvestment		\$ (622.39)	\$ 541,974.59	92.0%
į	5/31/2020	Reinvestment		\$ (460.95)	\$ 542,435.54	92.1%
(6/15/2020	Withdrawal - Gary Lyle		\$ 45,000.00	\$ 497,435.54	84.4%
6	6/30/2020	Reinvestment		\$ (321.88)	\$ 497,757.42	84.5%
7	7/28/2020	Withdrawal - Chapman Bridge		\$ 88,000.00	\$ 409,757.42	69.5%
7	7/31/2020	Reinvestment		\$ (192.23)	\$ 409,949.65	69.6%
8	8/31/2020	Reinvestment		\$ (119.33)	\$ 410,068.98	69.6%
9	9/30/2020	Reinvestment		\$ (93.74)	\$ 410,162.72	69.6%
10	0/31/2020	Reinvestment		\$ (72.81)	\$ 410,235.53	69.6%
11	1/30/2020	Reinvestment		\$ (57.03)	\$ 410,292.56	69.6%
12	2/23/2020	Withdrawal - Estate of William Lyles		\$ 66,100.00	\$ 344,192.56	58.4%
12,	/31/2020	Reinvestment		\$ (54.44)	\$ 344,247.00	58.4%

1/31/2021	Reinvestment	\$ (45.41)	\$ 344,292.41	58.4%
2/28/2021	Reinvestment	\$ (36.54)	\$ 344,328.95	58.4%
3/31/2022	? Reinvestment	\$ (37.08)	\$ 344,366.03	58.4%
4/30/2021	Reinvestment	\$ (35.64)	\$ 344,401.67	58.5%
5/31/2021	Reinvestment	\$ (31.81)	\$ 344,433.48	58.5%
6/30/2021	Reinvestment	\$ (26.53)	\$ 344,460.01	58.5%
7/15/2021	. Withdrawal - Peggy Moore	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 334,460.01	56.8%
7/31/2021	. Reinvestment	\$ (31.82)	\$ 334,491.83	56.8%
8/26/2021	. Withdrawal - Taychoedah	\$ 17,999.00	\$ 316,492.83	53.7%
8/31/2021	. Reinvestment	\$ (29.28)	\$ 316,522.11	53.7%
9/30/2021	. Reinvestment	\$ (27.07)	\$ 316,549.18	53.7%
10/31/2021	. Reinvestment	\$ (27.90)	\$ 316,577.08	53.7%
11/30/2021	. Reinvestment	\$ (29.19)	\$ 316,606.27	53.7%
12/13/2021	. Withdrawal - Whetstone Hill	\$ 11,499.00	\$ 305,107.27	51.8%
12/31/2021	. Reinvestment	\$ (37.58)	\$ 305,144.85	51.8%
1/7/2022	Withdrawal - Crawford Mill	\$ 26,000.00	\$ 279,144.85	47.4%
1/31/2022	Reinvestment	\$ (36.31)	\$ 279,181.16	47.4%
2/28/2022	Reinvestment	\$ (35.42)	\$ 279,216.58	47.4%
3/31/2022	! Reinvestment	\$ (79.45)	\$ 279,296.03	47.4%
4/20/2022	! Reinvestment	\$ (119.94)	\$ 279,415.97	47.4%
5/31/2022	! Reinvestment	\$ (206.90)	\$ 279,622.87	47.5%
6/30/2022	! Reinvestment	\$ (289.21)	\$ 279,912.08	47.5%
7/31/2022	Reinvestment	\$ (409.50)	\$ 280,321.58	47.6%
8/31/2022	Reinvestment	\$ (551.31)	\$ 280,872.89	47.7%
9/30/2022	! Reinvestment	\$ (605.59)	\$ 281,478.48	47.8%
10/31/2022	Reinvestment	\$ (774.12)	\$ 282,252.60	47.9%
11/30/2022	Reinvestment	\$ (913.93)	\$ 283,166.53	48.1%
12/31/2022	Reinvestment	\$ (1,038.87)	\$ 284,205.40	48.2%
1/31/2023	Reinvestment	\$ (1,103.57)	\$ 285,308.97	48.4%
2/28/2023	Reinvestment	\$ (1,040.21)	\$ 286,349.18	48.6%
3/31/2023	Reinvestment	\$ (1,180.46)	\$ 287,529.64	48.8%

Oconee County Conservation Bank Board Donation List

<u>DATE</u>	DONOR NAME	AMOUNT
December 6, 2012	Oconee Forever	\$1,200.00
March 7, 2013	Ms. Alice Wald	\$100.00
June 21, 2013	UNKNOWN	\$120.00
December 30, 2013	Paul & Karin Corbell	\$25.00
January 7, 2014	Oconee Forever	\$1,000.00
March 13, 2014	UNKNOWN	\$250.00
April 17, 2014	Richard Cain	\$100.00
November 26, 2014	Mt. Lakes Community Asso.	\$500.00
October 17, 2019	Frances Rundlett	\$200.00
December 27, 2019	Mt. Lakes Community Asso.	\$500.00
April 29, 2020	Rally in the Valley	\$1,150.00
December 15, 2020	Laura & Richard Havran	\$200.00
May 27, 2021	Upstate Historical Seekers	\$500.00
July 3,2021	David & Ellen Plumpe	\$100.00
October 1, 2021	Horton Law Firm Wire Fee Reimbursement	\$20.00
October 7, 2021	Waterside Crossing	\$200.00
October 13, 2021	Derrick, Ritter, William, and Morris PA Wire	\$35.00
November 11, 2021	Mt. Lakes Community Asso.	\$500.00
December 7, 2021	Laura & Richard Havran	\$200.00
April 13, 2022	Olye Lombard	\$2,000.00
June 1, 2022	John and Nancy Johnston	\$100.00
December 5, 2022	Laura & Richard Havran	\$500.00
	TOTAL =	\$9,500.00

OCONEE COUNTY CONSERVATION BANK GRANTS DISBURSED & EXPENSES

JUNE 30, 2022

PROJECT/OWNER; OWNER/EASEMENT HOLDER	GRANT	CLOSING	ACRES	RECPIENT, APPLICANT	PURPOSE	CONSERVATION EASEMENT/FEE SIMPLE
Oconee Towne; SC DNR	\$9,567.33	6/5/2017	53.68	Upstate Forever, Naturaland Trust	History, Conservation, Public Access	Fee Simple
Jerry Powell; OSWCD	\$7,500.00	8/17/2017	94.10	Oconee Soil & Water Conservation District	Working Farm, Conservation	Conservation Easement
McKinney Creek Oconee Bell Preserve/Cliff Timber LLC; The Naturaland Trust	\$58,000.00	12/5/2019	195.60	Naturaland Trust	Conservation, Public Access	Fee Simple
Gary and Christy Lyle; OSWCD	\$45,000.00	6/17/2020	165.89	Oconee Soil & Water Conservation District	Working Farm, Conservation, Water Quality Protection	Conservation Easement
Chapman Bridge Oconee Bell Preserve/Cliff Timber LLC; The Naturaland Trust	\$88,000.00	7/29/2020	238.72	Naturaland Trust	Conservation, Public Access	Fee Simple
Elaine Morris Trust; UF	\$12,500.00	12/22/2020	26.26	Upstate Forever	Conservation	Conservation Easement
Whetstone Creek Preserve/Lyles Estate; Naturaland Trust	\$66,100.00	12/29/2020	155.56	Naturaland Trust	Working Farm, Conservation, Water Quality Protection	Fee Simple
Taychoedah/Dorothy Heger and Geary Hughes; UF	\$17,999.00	09/02/2021	42.02	Upstate Forever	Water Quality, Habitat Protection	Conservation Easement
Peggy Moore; OSWCD	\$10,000.00	10/07/2021	58.60	Oconee Soil & Water Conservation District	Working Farm, Water Quality Protection	Conservation Easement
Whetstone Hill/Ernest Lombard; UF	\$11,499.00	12/15/2021	38.10	Upstate Forever	Working Farm, Water Quality, Habitat Protection	Conservation Easement
Crawford Mill/; Foothills Farmstead	\$29,999.00	1/26/2022	40.09	The Foothills Farmstead	Working Farm, Water Quality, Historic Site, Habitat Protection	Fee Simple with Conservation Easement
Grants Disbursed, Cost per acre to OCCB, Acres protected	\$356,164.33	\$321.27/Ac	1108.62			
Expenses - Banking	\$224.54					
TOTAL EXPENDED	\$356,388.87					

OCONEE COUNTY CONSERVATION BANK REVENUE

JUNE 30, 2022

DONOR	AMOUNT	DATE
Duke Energy	\$618,000.00	2016
Individual and Organization Donations/Contributions	\$7,645.00	2012-2022
Interest	\$ 12,845.84	May 2019-April 2022
Total	\$638,490.84	



Oconee County Conservation Bank

Title: Grant Procedures

Policy No. 0003

Effective Date: February 7, 2023

Revision Date(s):April 6, 2021, Feb. 8, 2022, Mar. 2, 2022

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> Evaluation Scoresheet Section 404 Findings Template

Purpose:

This policy provides guidelines for Applicants and governs the evaluation procedures used by the Oconee County Conservation Bank Board to process, award, and monitor grants.

Definitions:

- 1. The definitions set forth in Chapter 2, Article IV, Division 9, Section 2-399 of the Oconee County Code of Ordinances are incorporated by this reference.
- 2. "Applicant" means an Eligible OCCB Recipient applying for a grant related to a specific property.
- 3. "Application" or "application" means the Application For Funding available on the Oconee County website..

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- 4. "Conservation Value" means the amount the Fair Market Value of the property will be reduced by the placement of a Conservation Easement on the property.
- 5. "Grant Agreement" means a binding contract between the Applicant and Oconee Countythat meets the requirements of OCCB Ordinance Section 2-404(c)(2).
- 6. "Inholding Land" means privately owned property that is 100% surrounded by Protected Land.

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7. "Property/Project Name" means the common or colloquial name used to identify a specific piece of landor project that is the subject of an Application. Each Property/Project Name must be unique.

8. ""Small grant application" means an application for an interest in land if the amount requested is no greater than thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000.00) or ten percent (10%) of the Conservation Value, whichever is less.

Policy:

Part One: Application Procedures

- 1. The Board will accept applications on or before April 1st, August 1st, and November 1st of each calendar year.
- 2. All applications <u>must-should</u> be submitted <u>in duplicate</u> pursuant to Board Policy No. 0001 Applicant Privacy. All applications <u>must-should</u> be submitted in electronic pdf or similar format.
- 3. During the review process, the Board may request additional information from the Applicant. Failure to provide the requested information in a timely manner will-may result in a delay in processing the application until the next cycle.
- 4. The Board members will <u>reduce_record</u> their_final collective evaluation <u>to_as</u> a score as set forth on the Evaluation Scoresheet, which will be attached to the official minutes.
- 5. Each application must meet the The applicable minimum scores to be recommended for a grant award are as follows:
 - a. Farmland must have a minimum score of 30. The minimum score for Farmland is 30.
 - b. Inholding Land must have a minimum score of 22. The minimum score for Inholding Land is 22.
 - c. Non-farmland must have a minimum score of 40. The minimum score for Non-farmland is 40.
 - d. Solely historic or cultural land must have a minimum score of 21. The minimum score for solely historic or cultural land is 21.

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- 6. The Board may recommend a grant of up to ten percent (10%) of the Conservation Value of the project. In extraordinary circumstances and for good cause, the Board may recommend a grant that is more than 10% of the Conservation Value of the project.
- 7. The Board's recommendation to Council shall include the findings required by OCCB Ordinance 2-404(b)(4) utilizing the Section 2-404 Findings Form. The Board may delegate the responsibility to prepare the Section 2-404 Findings to a single Board member.

Part Two: Post Award Procedures

- 1. The Board shall-will notify the Applicant of the Council's decision.
- 2. If awarded a grant, the Applicant has a period of four (4) months from the date of the Council's decision to notify the Board of its decision to accept the grant.
- 3. The transaction must close within one year of recipient's notice of acceptance of award, <u>unless extended</u>. The Applicant may request in writing a one time extension of six months. The Board will notify the Applicant of its decision on the extension request.
- 6. If the interest in the Property is reduced or increased by 10% or less in acreage of that stated in the Application prior to closing, the Board shall have the authority to reduce the award on a proportional per acre basis. However, a reduction or increase of acreage exceeding 10% shall be deemed material and will render the original grant award void.
- 7. The following closing documents <u>must_should</u> be submitted to the Board for review at least ten (10) days prior to the scheduled closing:
 - a. An independent certified appraisal of the Property dated within twelve (12) months of the Grant approval by Council;
 - b. A certified environmental hazard assessment, unless the Application qualifies as a small grant application;
 - c. A final draft of the conservation easement and/or deed;
 - d. A final draft of the settlement statement;
 - e. A final draft of the title insurance commitment and exceptions;

- f. A <u>final draft of the</u> Grant Agreement signed by the Granteeand the Landowner in recordable form; and
- g. Any subordination agreement or other document that will be recorded at or after closing.
- h. Any other data, acknowledgement, or documentation requested by the OCCB.
- The name, address, email address, and phone number of the Closing Attorney and Firm.

The Board reserves the right to reject documents that do not comply with the OCCB Ordinance. <u>Failure to submit the above documents may delay</u> funding by the Board.

- 8. Within sixty (60) days of closing, recipient must should provide the Board with executed closing documents, a report of how the grant funds were distributed, and the status of the project.
- 9. If the grant award is for the fee simple purchase of land, the property is subject to inspection by the County and the deed must include the following language:

Said premises shall be subject to: the provisions of Sections 2-398-405 and 2-407 through 2-409 of the Oconee County, South Carolina Code of Ordinances, such that the premises shall be permanently protected for the conservation purposes described therein in the award documents.

- 10. The recipient and the Board shall retain copies of all documents related to the award of the grant and the acquisition of interests in land.
- 11. All interests in land obtained with OCCB funds may only be assigned from one eligible OCCB recipient to another eligible OCCB recipient after approval by the majority of the Board.
- 12. The eligible OCCB recipient must notify the Board if a claim is made against the title to the property.



Oconee County Conservation Bank

Title: Grant Procedures Policy No. 0003

Effective Date: May 2, 2023

Revision Date(s):April 6, 2021, Feb. 8, 2022, Mar. 2, 2022, May 2, 2023

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 - d. A final draft of the settlement statement;
 - e. A final draft of the title insurance commitment and exceptions;
 - f. A final draft of the Grant Agreement;
 - g. Any subordination agreement or other document that will be recorded at or after closing;
 - h. Any other data, acknowledgement, or documentation requested by the OCCB; and
 - i. The name, address, email address, and phone number of the Closing Attorney and Firm.
- 6. The Board reserves the right to reject documents that do not comply with the OCCB Ordinance. Failure to submit the above documents may delay funding by the Board.
- 7. Within sixty (60) days of closing, recipient should provide the Board with executed closing documents, a report of how the grant funds were distributed, and the status of the project.

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8. If the grant award is for the fee simple purchase of land, the property is subject to inspection by the County and the deed must include the following language:

Said premises shall be subject to: the provisions of Sections 2-405 and 2-407 of the Oconee County, South Carolina Code of Ordinances, such that the premises shall be permanently protected for the conservation purposes described in the award documents.

- 9. The recipient and the Board shall retain copies of all documents related to the award of the grant and the acquisition of interests in land.
- 10.All interests in land obtained with OCCB funds may only be assigned from one OCCB recipient to another eligible OCCB recipient after approval by the majority of the Board.
- 11. The OCCB recipient must notify the Board if a claim is made against the title to the property.



Oconee County Conservation

Title: Property Interest

Policy No. 0005

Effective Date: February 7, 2023

Revision Date(s): Page 1 of 1

Purpose:

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Definitions:

The definitions set forth in Chapter 2, Article IV, Division 9, Section 2-399 of the Oconee County Code of Ordinances are incorporated by this reference.

Policy:

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- 3. The Board encourages grant recipients to submit the request for approval at least six (6) months prior to towel in advance of the anticipated closing date so that the Board has time to do its due diligence review prior to the anticipated closing date. Up to may be required for this review.

Title: Transfer of Property Interest

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- 4. The Board will notify the grant recipient of its decision.
- 5. The grant recipient <u>must-should</u> notify the Board when the transfer is complete.



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IN RE: Oconee County Conservation Bank Board Meetings

BEFORE ME the undersigned, a Notary Public for the State and County above named, This day personally came before me, Hal Welch, who being first duly sworn according to law, says that he is the General Manager of THE JOURNAL, a newspaper published Tuesday through Saturday in Seneca, SC and distributed in Oconee County, Pickens County and the Pendleton area of Anderson County and the notice (of which the annexed is a true copy) was inserted in said papers on 02/08/2023 and the rate charged therefore is not in excess of the regular rates charged private individuals for similar insertions.

Hal Welch General Manager

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 02/08/2023

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