

APPLICATION FORM
Catawba River Basin Conservation Easement Fund (CRBCEF)
sponsored by Crescent Resources, LLC

Please review the application guidelines carefully and fill out this 4-page form completely before submitting your application.

Please submit completed application and attachments to
Catawba River Basin Conservation Easement Fund:

in North Carolina:

UNC Charlotte Urban Institute
Charlotte, NC 28223-0001

Tel. 704-687-2179

in South Carolina:

Strom Thurmond Institute, Clemson University
Perimeter Road
Clemson, SC 29634-0125

Tel. 864-656-4700

A. APPLICANTS

1. Property Owner(s)

Owner 1

Owner 2

a. Owner's Name(s): _____

b. Authorized agent: _____

c. Mailing Address(es): _____

d. City, State _____

e. Telephone / Fax #: _____

f. Email: _____

g. Additional Owners? Yes No *(if "yes", attach additional sheet for items 1.a-e above)*

2. (Proposed) Easement Holder ("Land Trust")

a. Land Trust: _____

b. Name & Title of Land
Trust Director or Officer: _____

c. Mailing Address: _____

d. City, State _____

e. Telephone / Fax #s: _____

f. Email: _____

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B. PROPERTY

1. Parcel Information

a. Location (County, State): _____

b. Tax Parcel ID#(s): _____

2. Stream Information

a. Name of stream adjacent to, or on, property: _____

b. State Stream Index # (NC property owner(s) only, from Dept. of Environment and Natural Resources),
or USGS Hydrologic Unit # (SC property owner(s) only): _____

c. Further description of stream location (eg. "0.2 miles downstream of the confluence of ...")

d. State stream classification (designated use): _____

C. GRANT REQUEST

1. Total Amount being requested from CRBCEF: \$ _____

2. Please itemize landowner expenses directly associated with the establishment of the (proposed) conservation easement and for which funds are being requested. Expenses may include professional fees for survey, appraisal, and legal services, and may be either quotes or estimates of expenses to be incurred. (Proof of expense will be required for payment of any grant funds awarded. Proof of expenses is not required to be sent with application. Submit legible copies only, not originals.)

Item #	Amount	Item Description	Payable to	Actual / Estimated

D. CONSERVATION EASEMENT

1. Physical Description

a. Centerline miles of stream adjacent to easement: _____

b. Which side(s) of stream? _____ Left Bank _____ Right Bank (facing downstream)

c. Approximate width of easement (avg / min / max): _____ / _____ / _____

d. Number of acres to be placed under conservation easement: _____

e. List attachments documenting physical dimensions (e.g., survey, USGS topo map):
i. _____
ii. _____
iii. _____

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2. Purpose and Uses

Define the primary purpose of the proposed easement (e.g., riparian buffer preservation, habitat conservation) and describe the permitted and restricted uses of the land under the proposed easement.

3. Conservation Merit

Please describe the effectiveness or importance of the (proposed) easement to conservation of water quality or other environmental or cultural values in the Catawba River Basin. Factors to consider include:

- a. Water quality protection values, to the extent known or applicable, including:
- present condition of land (eg. vegetation cover, existing structures, etc.)
 - presence of wetlands (size, location relative to streams and easement)
 - current or proposed land uses upland of and adjacent to proposed easement
 - slope, land cover, and soil type of proposed riparian buffer
 - presence in a water supply watershed
 - proximity to public water supply intakes or presence in a water supply critical area
 - adjacency to outstanding resource waters, high quality waters, trout waters, or impaired streams (cite impairment)
 - potential impervious surface at maximum build-out permitted under existing zoning and other regulations
- b. Other environmental or cultural values, such as:
- protection of important wildlife habitat
 - provision of public recreation access
 - scenic enjoyment by the public
 - historical, archaeological, other unique features

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E. APPLICATION SUBMISSION

1. Documentation

Please attach a copy of the letter of understanding between the property owner(s) and designated land trust or other (proposed) easement holder, and if available, a draft of the conservation easement agreement itself. Identify such attachments:

- ___ Letter of understanding between landowner(s) and land trust. (Required)
- ___ Draft conservation easement agreement. (To be eligible for a CRBCEF grant, the easement must have an execution date after the application submission date.)
- ___ Other: _____

2. Owner's Certification

All owners of the property must sign the following certification. I (we) certify that I(we)(the government entity listed above) am(are)(is) the legal owner(s) of the property identified below and that it is my(our)(that government's) intent to place that property under a conservation easement agreement as described in this application, and to that effect I(we)(it) have executed a letter of understanding with the proposed easement holder listed below. (I further certify that I am a duly authorized agent of that government entity.) I (we) further certify that the information provided in this grant application is true and accurate to the best of my(our) knowledge.

Signed: _____
Printed Names
(& Titles): _____
Date: _____

(Attach additional owner certifications as necessary.)

3. Land Trust's Certification

A duly authorized executive or officer of the land trust must sign the following certification: I certify that the land trust or other (proposed) easement holder named above is a non-profit organization incorporated under the laws of the state of _____, and is qualified to receive conservation easements, of which I am a duly authorized executive or officer, and that it is the land trust's intent to receive a conservation easement as described in this application, and to that effect the land trust has executed a letter of understanding with the property owners listed above. I further certify that the information provided in this grant application is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Signed: _____
Printed Name &
Title: _____
Date: _____

Thank you for your application to the Catawba River Basin Conservation Easement Fund! We will notify you within 2 weeks of our receipt of it to let you know the grant cycle your application falls within and of the expected date of award announcements for that cycle. If you do not receive notification from us of our receipt of your application, please contact us by telephone to make sure we have received it.

UNCC Urban Institute **Strom Thurmond Institute**
on behalf of Crescent Resources, LLC., fund sponsor

Office Use Only Grant Cycle/Application No.
