



## Eligible projects

ELIGIBLE COMPONENTS	PROGRAM CONTRIBUTION
Public awareness projects arising from a specific environmental issue, that target a particular group in the community and lead to concrete short-term actions. As part of this project, there must be a follow-up on the changes in behaviour or the acquisition of new knowledge.	Maximum 70% of the total value of eligible expenses* up to \$100,000.  Matching funds can be in cash or in kind. However, for projects with a total value above \$35,000, matching funds in cash must be at least 10% of the total contribution allocated by EC and the MDDEP.
Study projects pertaining to a specific environmental issue for identifying concrete action to be taken in the field.	Maximum 70% of the total value of eligible expenses* up to \$25,000.
Study/action projects pertaining to a specific environmental issue for identifying concrete action to be taken in the field, followed by implementation of the appropriate actions.	Maximum 70% of eligible expenses* up to \$200,000.  Matching funds can be in cash or in kind. However, for projects with a total value above \$35,000, matching funds in cash must be at least 10% of the total contribution allocated by EC and the MDDEP.
Biodiversity protection projects that promote the sustainable use of the St. Lawrence.	
Restoration projects arising from a specific environmental issue directly related to the St. Lawrence.	* To determine eligible expenses, please contact an officer.

## Target clientele

Any not-for-profit, non-governmental organization that has been legally constituted for at least one year and that is headquartered in Quebec.

## Area

The target area is defined by the St. Lawrence River, by which we mean the water, bed, shores, coastline, wetlands, barachois, islands, archipelagos and fluvial lakes.

More specifically, this means the area between Cornwall and Gaspé on the South shore, including the Québec portion of Chaleur Bay, the Magdalen Islands, and the area between Carillon and Blanc Sablon on the North shore, including Anticosti Island and the Saguenay River.

This area also encompasses the main tributaries and sections of secondary tributaries that are essential to the lifecycle of species dependent on the St. Lawrence. Intervention in the secondary tributaries must have a direct connection with the species in question or with nonpoint source agricultural pollution.



# Deadlines for submitting projects

Every year, proposals are asked for at set dates, February 1 and October 15.



# Application for funding

To submit an application for funding, consult the Project Presentation Guide and complete the form provided for that purpose. These documents are available on the 2011–2026 St. Lawrence Action Plan website.

To determine whether your project meets the program's eligibility criteria, it is recommended that you contact a project officer.

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# Community Interactions Program

A financial assistance program promoting community projects aimed at conserving and improving the St. Lawrence ecosystem.



# The Program

As part of the St. Lawrence Action Plan (SLAP 2011–2026), Environment Canada (EC) and the Ministère du Développement durable, de l'Environnement et des Parcs du Québec (MDDEP) support the Community Interaction Program.

## The program's main objectives are to:

- ~ Enhance the St. Lawrence ecosystem;
- ~ Support community projects looking to conserve biodiversity and sustainable use and to improve water quality;
- ~ Support projects stemming from the Regional Integrated Management Plan (RIMP).

