

LeRay McAllister Critical Land Conservation Program

What is the LeRay McAllister Program? The LeRay McAllister Critical Land Conservation Program was established by the Utah Quality Growth Act of 1999. It provides grants to local governments, state agencies and non-profit organizations to conserve, or restore, important agricultural lands, wildlife habitat, watershed, recreational lands, and culturally or historically important lands. The fund is administered by the Utah Quality Growth Commission, and staff for the Commission and the fund is provided by the Governors Office of Management and Budget (GOMB).

What has it done? Since CY 1999 the Commission has approved 109 projects to conserve or restore more than 90,000 acres of Utah's critical lands. In that time, it spent about \$23 million from the LeRay McAllister Program. This amount was matched by about \$200,485,516 from local, state and Federal governments, and private donations, nearly a 9:1 ratio. These grants have been made in 22 of Utah's 29 counties.

Why do we need the LeRay McAllister Program? As you can see from the spreadsheet below, the McAllister Program funds play a key role in accessing millions of dollars in Federal, Local and private funding that makes conservation in Utah possible. Without the McAllister Program funds, protecting critical agricultural lands, watersheds, wildlife habitats and providing public access to our critical lands would be far more difficult.

LeRay McAllister Program Expenditures and Matching Funds by Calendar Year A 9 to 1 Match Ratio, 9 dollars in matching funds for every state dollar invested

Year	McAllister Grant	Federal Match	Other State Match	Private Match	Local Gov't Match	Landowner Donation	Match	Total Cost	Acres
1999:	\$1,983,049	\$1,150,000	\$173,000	\$2,094,500	\$1,104,000	\$3,900,000	\$8,421,500	\$10,404,549	7,821
2000:	\$2,470,976	\$8,412,000	\$30,500	\$960,742	\$807,485	\$1,731,515	\$11,942,242	\$14,413,218	6,646
2001:	\$3,367,671	\$4,558,300	\$0	\$3,672,772	\$595,882	\$4,630,300	\$13,457,254	\$16,824,925	14,996
2002:	\$415,612	\$1,060,000	\$0	\$708,000	\$45,412	\$683,000	\$2,496,412	\$2,912,024	1,672
2003:	\$490,000	\$1,000,000	\$30,000	\$230,000	\$260,000	\$500,000	\$2,020,000	\$2,510,000	577
2004:	\$643,000	\$1,015,329	\$110,000	\$172,000	\$175,000	\$380,165	\$1,852,494	\$2,496,494	571
2005:	\$3,162,500	\$6,473,000	\$213,000	\$6,868,130	\$11,588,500	\$0	\$25,142,630	\$28,305,130	21,585
2006	\$1,860,000	\$6,751,000	\$420,000	\$9,730,816	\$1,250,000	\$3,990,000	\$22,630,816	\$24,490,816	9,847
2007	\$2,280,000	\$50,377,000	\$4,541,052	\$4,183,567	\$751,875	\$1,676,000	\$61,529,494	\$63,809,494	4,707
2008	\$1,998,800	\$100,754,000	\$9,082,104	\$8,367,134	\$1,503,750	\$3,352,000	\$14,822,303	\$16,821,103	3,091
2009	\$370,200	\$1,919,500	\$0	\$1,765,800	\$3,192,496	\$1,118,750	\$7,996,546	\$8,366,746	2,405
2010	\$1,089,000	\$2,911,625	\$0	\$624,400	\$908,415	\$516,600	\$4,961,040	\$6,050,040	3,072
2011	\$237,500	\$3,092,375	\$0	\$713,500	\$5,186,197	\$4,231,125	\$13,223,197	\$13,460,697	3,181
2012	\$196,672						\$4,109,359	\$4,306,031	855.28
2015	1,000,000	5632480					5632480	6,635,480	10192
2016	94750	191250					248,750	343,500	30
Total	\$22,659,730	\$195,267,859	\$14,599,656	\$40,091,361	\$27,369,012	\$26,709,455	\$200,485,516	202,819,144	91,248.28