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Bass Pro Shops

US OPEN
NATIONAL BASS FISHING
AMATEUR TEAM CHAMPIONSHIPS

★ **BENEFITING CONSERVATION** ★



PRESENTED BY
TOYOTA

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 **NATIONAL FISH HABITAT**
PARTNERSHIP



Grant Structure

- This grant program will be implemented through Beyond the Pond, the 501c3 organization established to benefit the National Fish Habitat Partnership. **Through this grant opportunity, the highest priority will be for projects specifically designed to improve aquatic habitat within reservoirs resulting in enhanced angling opportunities. Funding may also be used to improve natural lake habitats and conserve tributary flows into lakes and reservoirs.**
- Examples of on the ground conservation could include, Riparian and underwater vegetation planting, shoreline native habitat planting, bank sloping and shaping in tributaries, and habitat structure placement.



Grant Background

- Board was presented Guidance and scoring criteria to approve
 - Guidance and criteria passed via electronic vote
 - Guidance will shape an RFP process to solicit projects from FHPs
 - Conversations between NFHP Board/Beyond the Pond Board leadership



Tentative Timeline for Grant Program

- RFP Announcement to FHPs - March
- Deadline for project submissions – April
- Review team meets – May
- Project announcement – June/July
- (Target project completion date by Fall 2023)



Questions?