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Clary Lake Association  
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Greetings Clary Lake Association,

Lake Stewards of Maine (LSM) and Maine Lakes are pleased to enclose a grant award to Clary Lake Association in the amount of \$350.00 to help support your watershed survey efforts.

Watershed surveys are vital for ecological health, wildlife support, and lake economic value. LSM and Maine Lakes recognize this importance and are committed to aiding these efforts. Surveys are crucial for protecting aquatic ecosystems and wildlife habitats (Allan et al., 1997), but can also serve as a remarkable force that brings communities together to pinpoint pollution sources and raise awareness about conservation initiatives.

Each lake drives microeconomies in Maine. LSM and Maine Lakes understand the significance of lakes to association members and visitors. Socioeconomic factors, such as land use patterns and demographics, influence watershed understanding and management decisions. Surveys can educate and empower communities to maintain property values and other economic benefits tied to lakes (Pavri et al., 2013; Daigneault et al., 2021).

Upon completion of the watershed survey, we kindly ask for a digital copy of the final report. We would greatly appreciate acknowledgement of Lake Stewards of Maine and Maine Lakes in any project-related announcements, reports and communications. Please also email us several photos of your watershed survey activities so that we can showcase your efforts to other lake communities.

We look forward to the impactful outcomes of your watershed survey and are honored to be a part of this important endeavor. In the event that the project cannot proceed, we kindly request that any unused funds be returned to Lake Stewards of Maine.

Congratulations on your award! We are confident in the support behind your watershed survey and delighted to support your project.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Tristan Taber in blue ink.

Tristan Taber  
Lake Stewards of Maine, Water Quality Director

Handwritten signature of Susan Gallo in blue ink.

Susan Gallo  
Maine Lakes, Executive Director