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**GRANT APPLICATIONS NOW ACCEPTED FOR PROJECTS  
THAT PROMOTE OR PRESERVE NATURAL RESOURCES**

**October 7, 2024 (Bemidji, MN)** – The Omdahl Conservation Fund is now accepting applications for projects that promote or preserve natural resources in Northwest Minnesota.

The Eldor and Stella Omdahl Environment and Conservation Fund (known as the Omdahl Conservation Fund) is a fund in the family of funds at the Northwest Minnesota Foundation with the dedicated purpose of supporting charitable, educational and scientific programs, projects and activities that support or benefit environmental and conservation causes.

Grant applications are being accepted for projects that promote or preserve natural resources in the Northwest Minnesota region. This region includes two tribal nations (Red Lake Nation and White Earth Nation) and 12 counties (Beltrami, Clearwater, Hubbard, Kittson, Lake of the Woods, Mahnomen, Marshall, Norman, Pennington, Polk, Red Lake, and Roseau). Applicants must be 501c3 nonprofits in this region.

The total funding available is \$50,000 and multi-year grants may be considered. The maximum grant award is \$25,000. Applications are open until Nov. 1 and will be considered on a competitive basis. Funding decisions will be made by Dec. 15.

A full program description, including details on how to apply, can be found online at <https://nwmf.org/grants-scholarships/grants>

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