

Recipient/ Jurisdiction	Gulf of Maine Council on the Marine Environment 2005-2006 Action Plan Grants				Results
1. Quebec Labrador Foundation (QLF) Atlantic Center for the Environment	Citizens' Guide to Characterizing Marine Areas	\$10,000	\$47,300	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Completed draft text of the proposed <i>Citizens' Primer to Characterizing Marine Areas</i>, a guide for local groups in the Gulf of Maine interested in undertaking, participating in, or simply becoming more informed about this kind of baseline work. Sent out this text for a four week peer review, in which revisions will be made and final Guide will be published. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The guide was peer reviewed by 23 people, is being printed by Seagrant, and will be made available on QLF and participating organization's websites The guide provided information of QLF's Atlas project that was funded by GOM in 2006-2007
2. Maine Audubon	Beginning with Habitat: Conserving Wildlife in Maine's Coastal Habitats booklet	\$10,000	\$5,100	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Produced the <i>Beginning with Habitat: Conserving Wildlife in Maine's Coastal Habitats</i> booklet 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The project and booklet were presented to the coastal towns of ME The booklet is required information provided to towns when they update their plans Information gaps identified in this project are now being worked on (ex. Anadromous fish passage locations are being identified through a MCPI grant) The DMR is now an involved partner with the formally terrestrial based Beginning with Habitat program
3. Clean Annapolis River Project	Annapolis Watershed Pesticide Audit Pilot Project	\$10,000	\$28,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pesticide use data was gathered and analyzed from seven sectors in the Annapolis River watershed (agriculture, domestic, forestry, large facilities and institutions, marine, municipal and miscellaneous) Produced Annapolis River Watershed Pesticide Inventory Report 	Not available

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4. Biodiversity Research Institute	Gulf of Maine Seabird Contaminant Assessment Network (GOMSCAN): Seabird Mercury Project	\$9,000	\$7,500	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conducted a pilot study to screen mercury (Hg) levels in Gulf of Maine seabirds in an effort to determine which species are most at risk, the most appropriate bioindicators, and to refine sampling methods Produced the final report <i>Mercury levels in seabirds in the Gulf of Maine</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Additional partners have been brought into the project (ex. Uni. Of New Brunswick, Kent Island Biological Station) The paper produced from this study was invited to be submitted to the peer reviewed journal Eco-Health This study is being used as the baseline for future studies Sub-set sampling will continue every 4 years Researchers involved in the project continue to meet twice a year to update each other on the current research and future plans A larger study funded through multiple and diverse sources was conducted based on this pilot study including mercury but also 191 other contaminants
5. Mass Audubon	Little River Action Plan for Restoration	\$10,000	\$3,550	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conducted 2005 Little River Herring count ,data compilation and outreach Produced the Final Report <i>Little River Action Pan for Restoration</i> Completed <i>Little River Hydrologic Analysis</i> In process of completing the <i>Stream Team Evaluation</i> Meet with City of Gloucester officials to discuss spring activities, restoration and stewardship project and continue to secure support for restoration and increased stewardship Conducted 2006 herring count 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Completed the Stream Team Evaluation in summer 2006 Feedback from Action plan was used to draft state recommendations Fish counts have continued in 2007 and planned for 2008 Little River was named a priority site from the state Riverways program. Mass Audubon is giving a talk on the stewardship and restoration project in the Non-profit Adventure Lecture series

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6. Association to Preserve Cape Cod (APCC)	Volunteer Salt Marsh Monitoring on Cape Cod	\$10,000	\$14,762	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recruited new volunteers via newspapers and the APCC website Provided training and workshops for volunteers to teach monitoring techniques and protocols for each salt marsh parameter Provided field and technical support for monitoring efforts at all six salt marsh sites Monitored six salt marsh sites for salinity, plants, avifauna and nekton. Compiled and synthesized the data for final report 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monitoring program has continued yearly (training and monitoring) The APCC monitoring program has been used as a model for the Pleasant Bay Alliance, Harwich Landtrust, Coalition for Buzzards Bay, and Cohasset School system.
7. Bird Studies Canada	Volunteer Beached Bird Survey in the Bay of Fundy	\$9,676	\$45,536	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recruited volunteers through newspapers, notices to naturalist clubs and radio Conducted 3 training sessions Provided Survey kits to 39 volunteers in the Bay of Fundy Collected and analyzed the survey data Produced the <i>Bay of Fundy Beached Bird Survey 2005 Report</i> 	<i>Not available</i>
8. Massachusetts Bay Estuary Association	Think Blue Massachusetts Bays : Storm Windows Stormwater Education Campaign Phase 1	\$7,575	\$5,780	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Developed a unified and strongly supported approach for the <i>Think Blue</i> campaign Developed the duck logo, three print ads and other elements to define the “look” of the campaign for marketing messages and strategies Developed and distributed a media kit Developed a web-site: thinkbluema.org 	<i>Not available</i>

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9. Centre for Community-Based Resource Management (CCBRM)	<i>Local Inshore Fisheries: A Geotourism Resource</i> Developing an alliance and common understanding between the inshore fisheries and tourism of Passamaquoddy Bay	\$10,000	\$4,670	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conducted in-depth interviews with local tour boat operators and restaurant owners Created a handbook on the inshore fisheries for tour boat staff as well as a pamphlet on inshore fisheries geared toward tourists Planned a workshop with tour operator staff and inshore fishermen Generated ideas for future projects 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CCBRM is no longer in exists but those involved in the Geo-tourism project are now on the board of the newly formed Coastal Livelihood Trust organization The education pamphlets have continued to be distributed The Tour boat operator handbook has now been reprinted because of high demand The network of industry people has continued
10. Blue Ocean Society for Marine Conservation	Jeffreys Ledge Monitoring and Education Project, Phase 2	\$10,000	\$57,736	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hired and trained a temporary Data Management Assistant Entered all sightings data since 1996 into a searchable Access database Collected marine sightings data and educated passengers aboard four commercial whale watch vessels (367 total trips) Evaluated the effectiveness of the educational aspect of the whale watch trips through randomly assigned passenger surveys Published and Presented a poster entitled "<i>Finback Whale Recurrence on Jeffreys Ledge in the Gulf of Maine, 1996-2005</i>" Published and distributed a special research edition of their newsletter <i>Sea Notes</i> Created a map of all of the listed endangered species sightings based on the 2005 data 	<i>Not available</i>

