

# Walmart Foundation Nature-Related Grants (FY2024-FY2025)



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Grants to Support Place-Based Initiatives						
Landscape	Grantee	Year	Commodity	Project Name	Projected Acres or Sq Miles	Purpose of Grant
Forests	Conservation International Foundation	FY2025	Beef and Soy	Building a Jurisdictional Approach to Climate Smart, Resilient Agricultural Landscapes in Tocantins, Brazil	123,500 acres	Sustainable development in the Cerrado biome's Tocantins region through multistakeholder collaboration, promoting low-carbon agricultural practices, and reducing deforestation. This initiative aims to train rural extension agents, engage farmers in sustainable practices, and establish replicable models linking municipal and state-level conservation goals.
Forests	World Wildlife Fund Inc	FY2025	Beef and Soy	Advancing High-integrity Landscape Approaches and Strengthening Protected Areas in the Brazilian Amazon	469,500 acres	Landscape and jurisdictional initiatives in the Amazon, focusing on sustainable use and local community livelihoods. This includes developing WWF's Nature-Based Solutions Origination Platform, launching the Amazon Regional Protected Areas Communities program, and protecting 469,500 acres in the Tapajos Basin.
Forests	Solidaridad North America	FY2024	Beef	Building a Sustainable Jurisdictional Approach in the Central Paraguayan Chaco	40,772 acres	Jurisdictional initiative for beef in Campo Aceval, Paraguayan Chaco. The grant aims to build a multi-stakeholder platform, develop a collective action plan, and implement sustainable practices through demonstration sites, farmer training, and conservation efforts, enhancing the region's social, environmental, and economic resilience.
Forests	Wildlife Conservation Society	FY2025	Palm Oil	Building a Sustainable Landscape Initiative in Southern Aceh	947,559 acres	Landscape initiative in southern Aceh, Indonesia, focusing on biodiversity, forest protection, and sustainable palm oil production. This includes establishing a multi-stakeholder platform, protecting and restoring forests, and training smallholder palm oil producers, aiming to manage 947,559 acres sustainably and strengthen local community resilience.
Forests	The Nature Conservancy	FY2024	Pulp/Paper/ Timber	Advancing Indigenous-led Conservation and Place-Based Approaches to Protect and More Sustainably Manage Forests in Canada	123,500 acres	Indigenous-led conservation in Canada. The grant will advance conservation through collaborative partnerships, transforming forest management and implementing projects like land-use planning and Indigenous Protected and Conserved Areas (IPCAs) to achieve sustainable, climate-resilient outcomes.
Land/Water	The Nature Conservancy	FY2025	Corn, Soy	Upper Mississippi Foodscape	144,866 acres	Adoption of regenerative practices among producers and strengthening of supporting systems in an area that encompasses portions of Illinois, Iowa, Minnesota, and Wisconsin.
Land/Water	The Nature Conservancy	FY2025	Corn, Soy, Wheat	Building Enabling Conditions for Long-term Practice Change in Minnesota Agriculture	Forthcoming <sup>1</sup>	Adoption of regenerative agriculture practices in Minnesota, leveraging TNC's history of working with private and public sector actors.

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Land/Water	National Fish and Wildlife Foundation	FY2024	US Beef	Sustainable Grasslands	30,000 acres	Grasslands conservation, as part of the Southern Plains Grassland Program. This grant will help ranchers more sustainably manage their ranches as well as restore and protect grasslands. The grant also supports evaluating and recommending data collection processes for conservation efforts.
Land/Water	Environmental Initiative	FY2024	US Beef, wheat, corn, and soy	Accelerating, Expanding, and Mainstreaming Data-driven Regenerative Agriculture Engagement Efforts	10,000 acres	Research into farmer and rancher perspectives on regenerative agriculture; training and assistance programs. Partnering with Trust in Food, Environmental Initiative aims to understand motivations and cost-effective tactics for adopting regenerative practices, and train conservation community members to better engage with farmers and ranchers.
Land/Water	World Wildlife Fund Inc	FY2024	US Beef	Demonstrating the Impact of a Landscape Scale Monitoring and Evaluation Approach	1,000,000 acres	Demonstrating a science-based method for monitoring and evaluating landscapes to make a real impact in key conservation areas, using the necessary tools and data for success in the Northern Great Plains Ranch System and Viability Planning (RSVP) Program.
Land/Water	Practical Farmers of Iowa	FY2024	US Corn and Soy	Equipping farm-based businesses to accelerate cover crop adoption and scale Climate Smart agriculture	450,000 acres	Cover crop business development program, supporting 120 businesses in Iowa and Nebraska to manage over 450,000 acres of cover crops. The grant aims to support new cover crop businesses, incentivize local seed purchases, and promote a replicable business accelerator model.
Oceans	Conservation International Foundation	FY2025	Farmed Shrimp	Scaling seafood sustainability through place-based initiatives: A jurisdictional approach for farmed shrimp improvement, Phase 2	5,421 acres	Improvement in the shrimp aquaculture sector in Banyuwangi Regency, Indonesia through a replicable jurisdictional initiative; a scalable model for improved production of commodities in other key geographies with a focus on smallholder farmer inclusion.
Oceans	Conservation International Foundation	FY2024	Tuna	Implementing and Scaling Jurisdictional Initiatives for Pacific Tuna	951,507 sq miles	Implementation and scale of jurisdictional initiatives for South Pacific albacore tuna, leveraging policy and market-based approaches to strengthen the environmental, social and economic performance of longline tuna fisheries at a jurisdictional scale.
Oceans	The Nature Conservancy	FY2024	Farmed Shrimp	Regenerative Shrimp Aquaculture at Scale	26,970 acres	Expansion of regenerative shrimp production in Ecuador; possible application to shrimp farming in Asia. The grant focuses on aligning NGOs and certifications, scaling regenerative practices through pilot projects, developing sustainable feed strategies, and restoring mangroves, aiming for a total spatial impact of 26,970 acres.
Oceans	World Wildlife Fund Inc	FY2024	Farmed Shrimp	Scaling conservation impacts in seafood - Chile and Ecuador initiative	700,000 sq miles	Fishery improvement: scoping a multi-fishery jurisdictional approach in Chilean anchoveta and sardine fisheries; expanding a traceability pilot and Fishery Improvement Fund for Chilean small pelagic fisheries; and designing a jurisdictional approach for farmed shrimp in Ecuador. The grant includes stakeholder engagement, promoting traceability best practices, and developing responsible production and conservation plans.

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Oceans	The Nature Conservancy	FY2024	Farmed Salmon	Restorative seaweed aquaculture for communities and ocean health in Chile	Forthcoming <sup>1</sup>	Catalyzing development of a restorative seaweed aquaculture industry in Chile that helps address risks of salmon farming, deliver jobs in coastal communities, and improve ocean health.
Land/Water	Texas A&M Research Foundation	FY2025	US Beef	Resilient Ranch Network: Defining metrics that matter	50,000 acres	Creation of the Resilient Ranch Network, to support adoption and implementation of adaptive grazing management strategies that prioritize improving soil health and identify Metrics that Matter to producers and supply chains to ensure long term sustainability and continued producer participation.
Land/Water	The Nature Conservancy	FY2025	Wheat, Corn, Soy	Kansas Jurisdictional Project	Forthcoming <sup>1</sup>	Assesses the barriers and opportunities to establishing a place-based initiative in central Kansas focused on water resiliency for wheat production and local communities in the Rattlesnake Creek watershed.
Land/Water	The Nature Conservancy	FY2025	US Beef	SHPI Generational Grasslands - Phase 2	400,640 acres	Adoption of conservation practices in Southern High Plains grasslands through farmer/rancher engagement and training.
Land/Water	Sustainable Food Laboratory, Inc.	FY2025	Wheat, Corn, Soy	Scaling a Landscape Approach in the Red River Basin	400,000 acres	Development of a market sector governance and measurement, monitoring, reporting, and Verification (MMRV) framework linked to landscape-scale goals and outcomes in the Red River Basin.
Land/Water	Ducks Unlimited, Inc. – National Office	FY2025	Rice	Arkansas Groundwater Baselines and Key Performance Indicators of Recovery	1,000,000 acres	Benchmarks and actions that can assist in reversing aquifer decline in southeast Arkansas, based on coalescing and sharing 10 years of data collected as part of the Rice Stewardship Partnership.
Forests	Conservation International Foundation	FY2025	Palm Oil	Coalition for Sustainable Livelihoods: Expanding & Accelerating Jurisdictional Initiatives in North Sumatra and Aceh	313,613 acres	Acceleration and expansion of multistakeholder collaboration for sustainable development in North Sumatra & Aceh; direct support to local partners to strengthen protection of 300,000+ acres of forest in Tapanuli Tengah.
Forests	Friends of The Osa	FY2025	Beef	Scaling a place-based approach in Costa Rica through sustainable agriculture practices and innovative finance	5,361 acres	Expansion of a place-based approach in the Amistosa landscape of southwestern Costa Rica, working with local producers to implement more sustainable agriculture practices, forest conservation, and water stewardship.
Oceans	Sustainable Fishery Advocates	FY2025	Farmed Shrimp	From Pond to Place-Based Initiative: Community Led Solutions for Social, Environmental, and Economic Resilience in Smallholder Shrimp Production in Andhra Pradesh	Forthcoming <sup>1</sup>	Local engagement to co-design solutions for economic, environmental, and social challenges, prioritized and validated by smallholder shrimp farmers and their communities in Andhra Pradesh, India.

Enabling Grants (FY2024-FY2025)					
Landscape	Grantee	Year	Commodity	Project Name	Purpose of Grant
Land/Water	Wolfe's Neck Farm Foundation	FY2024	US Beef	Building Common Infrastructure for Trusted Data Exchange for the Grazing & Beef Sectors	Enhanced transparency across beef supply chains by establishing an open-source data infrastructure for collecting sustainability data from beef ranches and transmitting it to supply chain actors.
Land/Water	Rainforest Alliance, Inc.	FY2025	US Beef, Corn, Soy, Wheat, Rice, Cotton	Improving agricultural sustainability & resiliency outcomes through landscape monitoring & capacity strengthening at scale	Collaboration among landscape partnerships across the U.S. to apply LandScale (a tool co-led by the Rainforest Alliance and Conservation International) for monitoring and demonstrating large-scale impacts of regenerative agriculture.
Land/Water	World Wildlife Fund, Inc.	FY2025	US Beef	Demonstrating impact of a production system landscape monitoring, evaluation, and learning approach. Phase 2: Catalyzing action through a digital landscape monitoring platform	Implementation of a digital landscape monitoring platform in the beef supply chain across 40M acres in Montana, to help inform landscape investment and interventions taken by supply chain participants seeking to improve climate, biodiversity, water, and economic/social well-being.
Land/Water	Foundation of Success, Inc.	FY2025	All	Developing a Community of Practice to Learn About Nature Focused Place-Based Initiatives	Investigate the feasibility and approach to the development of a "community of practice" centered on strategies for conservation in the context of commodity production.
Land/Water	University of Minnesota Foundation	FY2025	US Beef, Corn, Soy, Wheat, Rice, Cotton	Scaling up FoodS <sup>3</sup> through partnership with TNC	Support for a partnership between the FoodS <sup>3</sup> team at the University of Minnesota and The Nature Conservancy to highlight how environmental impacts and risks across US landscapes are linked to commodity crops, livestock, and poultry.
Forests	Instituto Centro de Vida	FY2024	Beef, Soy	Supporting more effective IPLC inclusion in JREDD+ and LEAF within Mato Grosso Brazil	Support for inclusive participation of Indigenous Peoples and local communities in developing a jurisdictional REDD+ system in Mato Grosso, Brazil.
Forests	Forest Trends Association	FY2024	Beef, Soy, Coffee, Cocoa	Enhancing the capacity of IPLCs to engage and benefit from LEAF and JREDD+	Support for inclusive participation of Indigenous Peoples and local communities in developing jurisdictional REDD+ systems in the Brazilian Amazon (Pará and Amazonas states), Jalisco (México) and Ecuador.
Forests	ISEAL Alliance	FY2024	Beef, Soy, Coffee, Palm Oil, Pulp/Paper/Timber, Cocoa	Strengthening Certification Systems to Deliver on Deforestation and Conversion Free (DCF) Goals	Strengthening key certification systems for forest-risk commodities to help ensure these systems can deliver more effective sustainability impacts for people and nature, including human rights and deforestation and conversion-free safeguards.
Forests	World Resources Institute	FY2024	Soy	Realizing responsible supply chains: An AI Toolkit for Traceability Data	Development of a foundational artificial intelligence (AI) model for identifying field boundaries, aimed at accelerating the monitoring of supply chains for deforestation, degradation, and land conversion, helping organizations realize their sustainability goals.

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Forests	Emergent Forest Finance Accelerator, Inc.	FY2025	Cocoa, Brazilian Beef & Soy	LEAF Coalition - Emergent	Contribution toward two LEAF Coalition grants: (1) Facilitating Ghana's landmark agreement – the first Emissions Reductions Purchase Agreement (ERPA) globally under the LEAF Coalition – to supply high-integrity jurisdictional REDD+ credits for forest conservation; (2) Supporting a public-private sector deal with the Brazilian state of Para to channel results-based finance for forest preservation and restoration in the Amazon.
Forests	Earth Innovation Institute	FY2025	Brazilian Beef & Soy	Building a jurisdictional incentive program in Mato Grosso, Brazil to help protect and restore forests	Establishment of a state-wide program in Mato Grosso to provide positive incentives for cattle and soy producers to conserve and restore forests on their farms, funded by revenue from jurisdictional REDD+ credit sales and reinforced through county-level 'Produce and Protect' agreements.
Forests	CDP North America, Inc.	FY2025	Beef, Soy, Palm Oil, Pulp/Paper/Timber, Coffee, and Cocoa	Mainstreaming Landscape and Jurisdictional Approaches as a resilient solution through more effective reporting and actionable data	Improving reporting on Landscape and Jurisdictional Approaches (including collecting and sharing more actionable data) to encourage broader adoption as a resilient solution.
Forests	Rainforest Alliance, Inc.	FY2025	Beef, Soy, Palm, Pulp/Paper/Timber, Coffee, and Cocoa	LandScale – Phase 2: Mainstreaming Effective Landscape Measuring, Reporting and Verification (MRV) and Claims	Strengthening the LandScale landscape assessment and reporting system to improve the efficiency and robustness of landscape assessments, strengthening landscape monitoring capacity, and developing the business case to unlock more landscape engagement and investment.
Oceans	Sustainable Fisheries Partnership Foundation	FY2024	Farmed Shrimp	Addressing the Carbon and Biodiversity Impacts of Aquaculture by Motivating Responsible Aquaculture Practices at Scale	Development of tools and guidance to promote more sustainable aquaculture feed and to inform the design of a landscape-level farmed shrimp improvement roadmap.
Oceans	Sustainable Fisheries Partnership Foundation	FY2025	Tuna	A Framework for Sourcing Sustainable Tuna	Design of a sustainability framework to be used by major tuna companies and buyers to monitor the holistic environmental impacts of commercial tuna fisheries – from IUU fishing to bycatch of vulnerable marine wildlife – and to provide actionable data that helps drive management and practice improvements.
Oceans	Global Fishing Watch	FY2025	Tuna	Harnessing Momentum with the Seafood Industry	Support for GFW to improve fisheries management and strengthen due diligence in the seafood supply chain through open data, transparency, and technology, aiming to combat illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing and labor risks, build government capacity, and mobilize industry to utilize their data to advocate for governance reforms. The grant will also support GFW to diversify funding and explore data licensing to improve the long-term financial sustainability of GFW's platform.
Oceans	The Nature Conservancy	FY2025	Tuna	Launching The Global Electronic Monitoring Accelerator (GEMA) - Driving Transparency and Sustainability Across Global Fisheries	Design, testing, and launch of the Global Electronic Monitoring Accelerator (GEMA), a toolkit that supports the adoption of electronic monitoring by translating commitments into on-the-water implementation and offering technical assistance to fishery managers to meet science, compliance, and commercial goals.

**ENDNOTES**

<sup>1</sup> “Forthcoming” indicates that spatial area is a deliverable of the grant.