

THE  
CONSERVATION FUND



## MITIGATION SOLUTIONS

Meeting Regulatory Requirements Through  
High-Value Conservation Solutions

## HOW WE WORK

When we take on a project, we work to satisfy the developer's mitigation obligations by protecting lands and waters that regulatory agencies and local partners have identified as conservation priorities.

Our work satisfies regulatory requirements imposed on developers, and also provides a broader public benefit. Our "landscape scale" approach means that the mitigation projects we implement, whether large or small, are meaningful to landscapes of sufficient expanse to protect complex ecological systems and effect long-lasting conservation.



Our team can provide expertise to help with:

### Planning

- Conduct full design management using science-based decision tools and mapping
- Establish and reinforce relationships with government agencies
- Provide strategic project guidance, on-the-ground knowledge, and effective collaboration

### Implementation and Fund Administration

- Implement mitigation packages for regulatory compliance
- Create mitigation accounts and manage disbursement of funds

### Acquisition

- Manage property and land-owner identification and relations, including negotiation and acquisition
- Ensure that all aspects of property acquisition and preservation meet agency criteria
- Provide temporary property management, as well as identification and facilitation of transfer of properties to long-term stewards

### Restoration

- Design project-specific restoration programs to enable properties to meet ecological performance standards
- Identify and engage restoration contractors to implement restoration programs

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*The Conservation Fund provides strategic advice to developers but remains independent and does not intervene in agency permitting decisions or impact valuations for specific projects.*

## WHAT WE OFFER

Our Mitigation Solutions program offers comprehensive, credible, and high-value mitigation services for energy and infrastructure developers nationwide.

In partnership with developers and with regulatory agencies, we protect lands and other resources to offset the impacts of construction and operation of energy and infrastructure projects on our natural resources.

The Conservation Fund has provided critical mitigation services for all seven sectors of major energy and infrastructure development: oil and gas (upstream and downstream), electric transmission, wind, solar, hydropower, and transportation. We have an impeccable 20-year record of completing dozens of projects representing over \$100 million in funding for mitigation.

We have experience providing mitigation solutions for the often-unavoidable impacts of infrastructure projects on the following resources:

- Endangered Species
- Migratory Birds
- Bald and Golden Eagles
- Aquatic Resources
- Visual and Cultural Resources
- State and Federal Lands

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*We define mitigation solutions as innovative, high-value conservation solutions that help developers meet regulations and offset construction or operational impacts to sensitive resources.*



## WHY PARTNER WITH THE CONSERVATION FUND?

We have the expertise to identify and implement mitigation solutions for complex development projects, allowing developers to focus on their business goals.

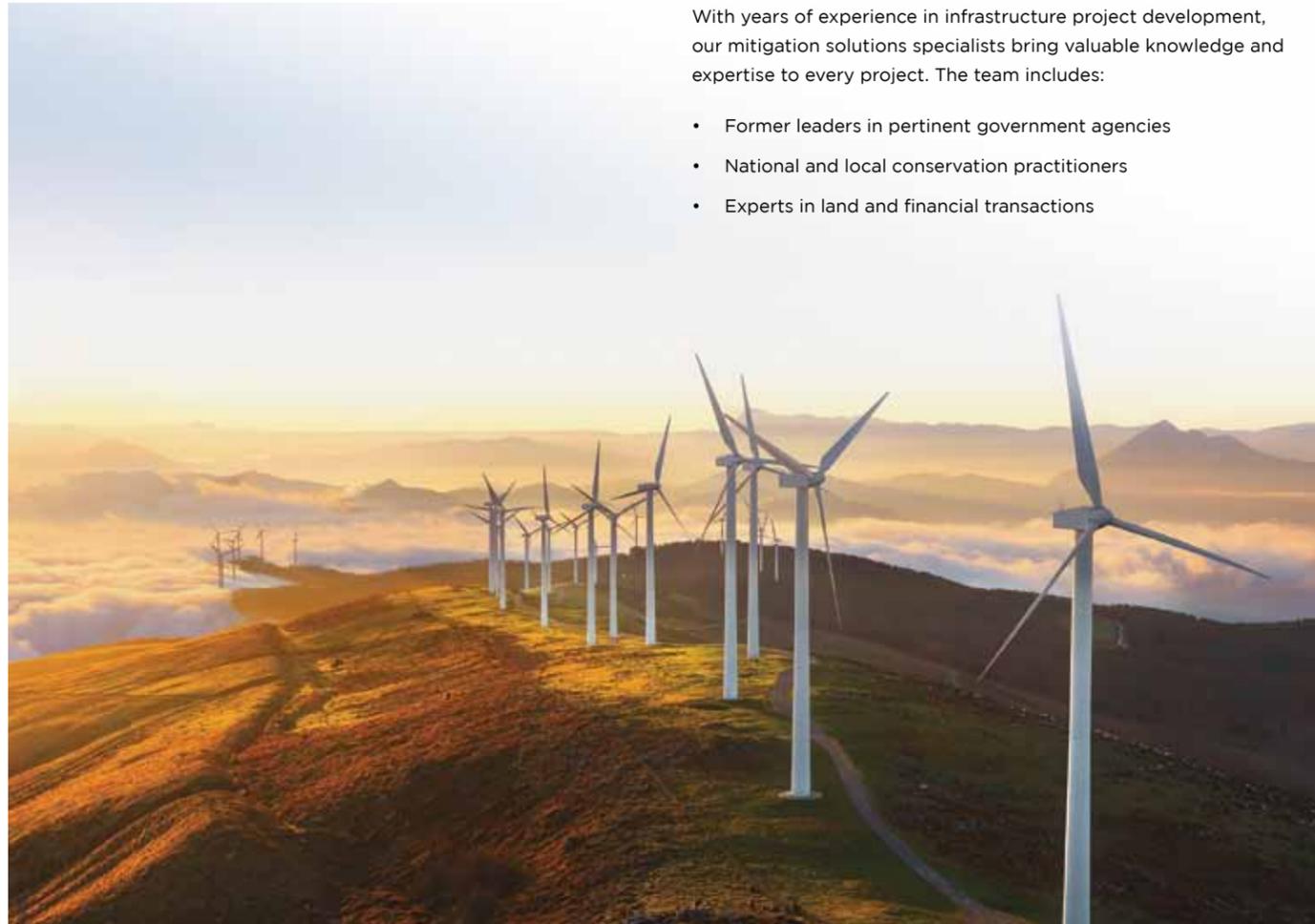
Our keen understanding of business needs fosters efficient, productive collaboration.

We deliver timely solutions, leveraging our comprehensive knowledge of conservation opportunities and hundreds of trusted relationships with key officials.

Our work holds to the highest conservation standards, is respected by regulating agencies, and often is embraced by local communities.

With years of experience in infrastructure project development, our mitigation solutions specialists bring valuable knowledge and expertise to every project. The team includes:

- Former leaders in pertinent government agencies
- National and local conservation practitioners
- Experts in land and financial transactions



## The Conservation Fund BY THE NUMBERS

Completed projects representing over

**\$100 MILLION**  
in funding for mitigation

Secured the protection of over

**250,000 ACRES**  
with mitigation partners

Has applied, on average,

**96% OF EVERY DOLLAR**  
raised toward its mission



The Conservation Fund was founded in 1985 on the belief that environmental protection and economic vitality are mutually reinforcing.

A nonprofit organization that operates with an entrepreneurial culture, the Fund protects land, water, and wildlife, generates jobs, and balances human demand with our need to use natural resources responsibly.

As a national organization that delivers locally, we are headquartered in Arlington, Virginia, with a staff of 175 located in more than 30 states. We are independent and non-partisan, and do not have a membership. Our robust relationships and effective partnerships—in both the public and private sectors—prove that market-driven solutions and conservation work best together.

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