

Bahamas Protected Areas Fund Grant Funding Priorities 2019-2022

Category		Activities for Funding Priority
Supporting achievement of the Bahamas 20% conservation goal	1	Research in conservation priority areas
	2	Expansion of existing protected areas to include conservation priority areas
	3	Public awareness campaign about benefits of protected areas and BNPAS ¹
	4	Creation of an enabling environment - building political will, community outreach, data management, and legislative reform. ²
Addressing key threats to ecosystem health	5	Development of a comprehensive research programme for the BNPAS with identification of potential monitoring indicators for protected areas in The Bahamas.
	6	Development of a threat assessment tool to improve threat detection, abatement and management.
	7	Implement 2013 National Invasive Species Strategy in protected areas.
	8	Improving climate resilience of protected areas.
Improving management effectiveness	9	Development and implementation of management plans.
	10	Mapping of protected areas, inclusive of boundaries and biodiversity inventories.
	11	Development of research or monitoring programme.
	12	Improvement in infrastructure – including a data management platform.
	13	Development of staff needs assessment plan.
	14	Skills training for protected area managers.
	15	Development of sustainable finance plans or business plans for protected areas.
	16	Implementation of sustainable revenue options (e.g. user fee systems).
Promotion of Partnerships for Effective Management of PAs	17	Development and implementation of partnership agreements which support effective enforcement, promote compliance, and foster more inclusive governance of protected areas.

¹ This is also a priority under Improving management effectiveness.

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