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## EDMUND NILES HUYCK PRESERVE GRADUATE AND POST-GRADUATE RESEARCH GRANTS

The Biological Research Station of the Edmund Niles Huyck Preserve offers grants (maximum = \$2500) to support biological research that utilizes the resources of the Preserve. Among the research areas supported are basic and applied ecology, animal behavior, systematics, evolution, and conservation. The 810-ha Preserve is located on the Helderberg Plateau, 50 km southwest of Albany, New York. Habitats include northeast hardwood-hemlock forests, conifer plantations, old fields, permanent and intermittent streams, 4- and 40-ha lakes and several waterfalls. Facilities include a wet and dry lab, library, and houses/cabins for researchers. The application deadline is 1 Feb. 1996. Application material may be obtained from Dr. Richard L. Wyman, Executive Director, E. N. Huyck Preserve and Biological Research Station, P. O. Box 189, Rensselaerville, New York 12147, USA.

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## NORTH AMERICAN LOON FUND GRANTS

The North American Loon Fund announces the availability of 1996 grants in support of management, research, and educational projects directly related to the conservation of the Family Gaviidae. Proposals in the range of \$500–3000 are most likely to be considered for funding. High priority topics include: (1) identifying and recommending non-toxic alternatives to lead for fishing tackle; (2) identifying and refining locations of important habitat areas for all loons on migration and during winter, and for juvenile loons during summer; (3) obtaining more information on the population dynamics of all species of loons, including the average age of initial breeding, annual survival rate, longevity, dispersal, and sources of mortality; (4) designing methods and establishing population trends in poorly known regions with significant loon populations. The deadline for submission of proposals is 15 Dec. 1995. Funding awards will be announced by 30 Mar. 1996. Please submit guideline requests to North American Loon Fund, 6 Lily Pond Road, Gilford, New Hampshire 03246, USA.