NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF STATE TRUST LANDS
RESOLUTION 2026-01

COLLABORATIVE LANDSCAPE MANAGEMENT

Whereas, the member states of the National Association of State Trust Lands ("NASTL") are collectively the second largest landowner in the United States and manage trust lands, minerals, and waterways through their respective states;

Whereas, members of NASTL have congressional and state constitutional mandates to manage millions of acres of lands for the multi-generational benefit of trust beneficiaries, including public education, through economic development, conservation, recreation, and other trust and public purposes as provided by their respective mandates;

Whereas, NASTL member states fulfill their mandates to support multi-generational trust beneficiaries through an ongoing commitment to the long-term economic viability of trust assets under their management through the sustainable management of those trust assets – forestlands, real property, and mineral interests; and

Whereas, NASTL and its members proactively research and identify innovative economic opportunities that would advance sustainable asset management practices on state trust lands;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

1. NASTL encourages federal agencies to recognize the unique statutory mandates governing state trust lands when developing policies or regulations that may affect trust asset management, and,

2. NASTL urges federal agencies to ensure continued funding opportunities, grant programs, and technical assistance initiatives structured in ways that allow state trust land agencies to participate fully and equitably.

Adopted this 14th day of July, 2026.

Kris Hess, President, NASTL

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This Resolution will remain in effect through July 31, 2028
unless otherwise terminated, amended, or replaced by the Association.