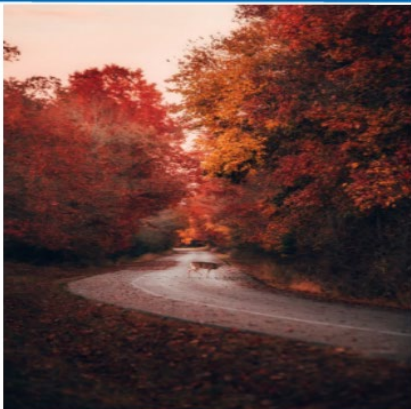




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FY 2023 Wildlife Crossing Pilot Program Grant Application
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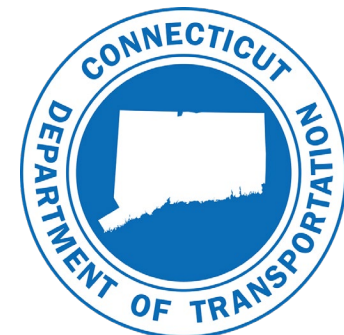


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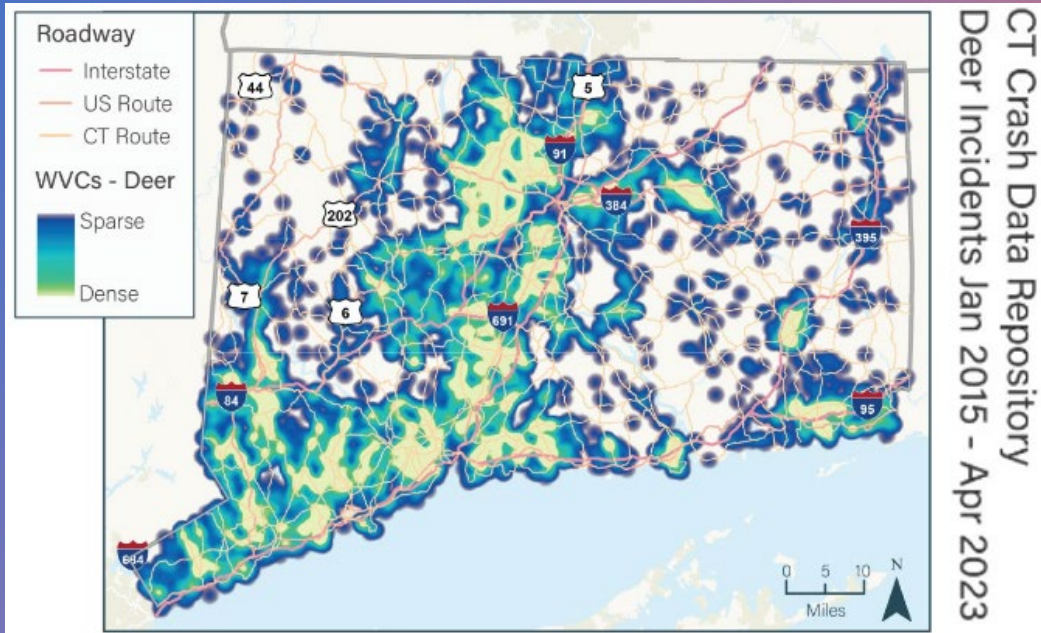


Project Description

- Partners: CT Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) and The Nature Conservancy (TNC)
- Statewide spatial analysis to identify important habitats and potential movement corridors and where they intersect with existing transportation infrastructure
- The goal is to inform transportation and infrastructure plans at multiple scales by giving decision-makers the tools they need to make strategic evaluations to reduce wildlife-vehicle collisions and increase habitat connectivity.
- Category of money: planning



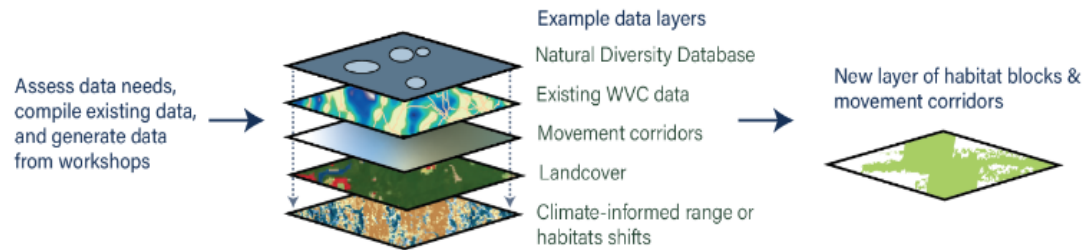
Total Project Cost	\$460,442
Grant Request	\$363,104
Total Match	\$97,338
TNC Match	\$77,338
State Match	CT DOT \$10,000 CT DEEP \$10,000



Next steps . . .

- Coordinate with CT DEEP for matching funding (\$10,000)
- Assemble project advisory work group, data compilation, and assess needs
- Utilize existing DOT data collection system for roadkill reports and wildlife crossing observations

Identify habitat blocks and movement corridors



Identify priority road segments

