Remote Atlassing: Remote Travel Grant

Thank you for applying to the Saskatchewan Breeding Bird Atlas for an Atlas travel grant. The purpose of this application is to *help defray* travel expenses incurred during remote atlassing by providing a *per diem of $35 per day per person for atlas teams who should complete one unsurveyed or multiple partially surveyed squares per day following the Instructions for General Atlassing <u>and</u> the Instructions for Point Counts (http://sk.birdatlas.ca/atlasser-material/), or a per diem of $35 per day for individuals* who complete at least seven hours of Atlas surveys per day. Point counts must be completed between **28-May to 7-July in Regions 1-15** and **7-June to 7-July in Region 16. Applications will only be considered from complete forms**.

Individuals of all skill levels are invited to apply for an expense defrayal grant, but funding preference will be given to individuals or teams having skills to complete atlas squares coverage goals for point counts and general atlassing hours. Because annual funding to cover expense defrayal grants is limited, applications for work targeting squares in northern regions (Regions 15 & 16) will be given priority; however, volunteers considering other regions are still encouraged to apply. To encourage usage of funds and assist as many volunteers as possible, travel grants will be capped at a maximum of $500 per team per excursion.

A "team leader" should submit the application via email to the Atlas Office (skatlas@birdscanada.org) or mail (address below). If your application is supported, you will be notified from the Atlas office by 31 May. We will accept applications until we reach our funding cap. Expenses will be reimbursed by Bird Studies Canada on the submission of a simple invoice (to be supplied by BSC). As the budget available for travel grants is limited, you are encouraged to submit your request as soon as possible.

1. Name of **Lead Atlasser**:
2. **Mailing Address**:

3. **Telephone** and **E-mail**:

4. **Number of squares** to be completed with 12-20 hours of atlassing per square:
5. **Number of squares** to be completed with 15 point counts per square:
6. **Squares** atlassed:

7. The squares are in **region** _____.
8. The **closest** city/town to the atlas square(s) is: _____.
9. **Mileage** for personal vehicle (km) x $0.45 : _____.
10. **Per diem (person days** conducting atlas surveys x $35) : _____.

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11. TOTAL FUNDING REQUESTED per team (mileage #9 + per diem #10):

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12. **Birding Abilities** of Lead Atlasser: Beginner: ID <30% of birds by song/sight, Intermediate <95%, Advanced (Expert) >95%

a) Birding Ability	Beginner ☐	Intermediate ☐	Advanced ☐
b) Wilderness experience	Beginner ☐	Intermediate ☐	Advanced ☐

13. **Other participants**:

a) Name				
b) Birding Ability	Beginner	☐	☐	☐
	Intermediate	☐	☐	☐
	Advanced	☐	☐	☐
c) Wilderness experience	Beginner	☐	☐	☐
	Intermediate	☐	☐	☐
	Advanced	☐	☐	☐

14. Additional information (e.g. Additional participants, etc.):