

The purpose of the Peter Gomez restricted fund is to support the scientific study of underwater karst. The Fund was established by donors. These funds may be spent by a committee established by the NSS Cave Diving Section Board of Directors subject to NSS Executive Vice President approval. The CDS committee shall administer the grant program subject to a plan approved by the CDS Board of Directors and the NSS Executive Vice President. The plan will be provided to the NSS Board of Governors and included in the NSS Board of Governors Manual.

- 19-732 International Cave Exploration Fund 03-15-03
The assets of the Joe Ivy Endowment for Cave Exploration are combined with those of the International Exploration Fund to create the International Cave Exploration Fund. The Joe Ivy Endowment for Cave Exploration fund and the International Exploration Fund are terminated. (See Attachment R of Appendix C)
- 19-775 International Support Fund 03-25-06:18
A loan of up to \$6000 may be withdrawn from the International Support Fund for use by the International Congress of Speleology Organizing Committee in planning and hosting the 2009 International Congress of Speleology.
- 19-786 NSS Preserves Research Initiative 07-27-07:27
The NSS Preserves Research Initiative Program is established to encourage scientific studies of the Society's caves. The Program will be set up and administered by the Research Advisory Committee, who will promote the program, solicit grant requests, review applications, award the grants, and ensure program guidelines are followed. Non-scientific terms and conditions shall be set forth with the advice and consent of the Executive Vice President (EVP) and the President. Research proposals will be judged on (a) scientific merit, (b) feasibility, and (c) value to the management goals of the relevant NSS preserve(s). Contracts awarded must be signed by the EVP and the President. The EVP and the AVP shall work together to coordinate and promote these studies with the relevant NSS Nature Preserve Managers. Data collected shall become the property of the NSS and a copy given to the appropriate NSS Preserve Committee chairman. Grant recipients will be encouraged to publish the results of the funded research in NSS publications. Copies of any paper(s) resulting from the research will be given to the NSS Library and the appropriate NSS Preserve Committee Chairman. (See Appendix AW)
- 19-787 NSS Preserves Research Initiative Financing 07-27-07:28
The Treasurer is authorized to withdraw up to \$20,000 from the Nature Preserve Fund to provide funds for the NSS Preserves Research Initiative Program.
- 19-798 Secondary and Post-Secondary Educator Grant 03-15-08:17
The Secondary and Post-Secondary Educator Grant is established as an act within Section 19 of the NSS Board of Governors Manual, and will be administered by the Research Advisory Committee with input from the Education Committee.
The Secondary and Post-Secondary Educator Grant is established for the purpose of investing in the future of karst science by supporting projects initiated by and/or overseen by educators of secondary students and post secondary undergraduates. Proposals submitted for consideration will be reviewed by the Research Advisory Committee with input from the Education Committee. (See Appendix AL)
- 19-801 NSS Bat Research and Protection Grant 03-15-08:32
The NSS Bat Research and Protection Grant is created. The Grant program will be set up and administered by the Research Advisory Committee, who will promote the program, solicit grant requests, review applications, award the grants, and ensure program guidelines are followed. The grant may be awarded for research projects or to fund projects to protect bats, including gates, signs,

and literature. Non-scientific terms and conditions shall be set forth with the advice and consent of the Executive Vice President (EVP). Grant recipients will be encouraged to publish the results of the funded research or details of the project in an NSS periodical. Copies of any paper(s) resulting from the research will be given to the NSS Library. The grant is funded by the NSS Bat Research and Protection Restricted Fund.

Cross References

18-367 Save-The-Caves Fund

18-800 Bat Research and Protection Restricted Fund

60-483 U.S. Exploration Committee

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Appendix C: Attachments C, I, K, R

Appendix I

Appendix AG

Appendix AL

Appendix AW