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### **Biographical sketch**

Kathy DeCoster, Vice President and Director of Federal Affairs

Ms. DeCoster became the Director of Federal Affairs for the Trust for Public Land in January 2003 and was named a Vice President in August 2009. Prior to assuming these responsibilities, she served as Director of Federal Programs, Associate Director of Federal Affairs and as a legislative representative for TPL, beginning in April 1994. In her current position, Ms. DeCoster oversees the Washington, D.C. Federal Affairs office for TPL. In all her roles at TPL, she has worked to secure funding for specific land conservation projects from numerous federal sources in many states across the nation as well as worked on the development and funding of federal programs such as the Land and Water Conservation Fund, the Forest Legacy Program and the Farm and Ranch Lands Protection Program. Prior to joining TPL, Ms. DeCoster served as a legislative assistant on environmental issues for Sen. William S. Cohen (R-Maine) from 1983-1994, and as a legislative assistant to Rep. David F. Emery (R-ME-1) from 1980 to 1983, focusing on environment and Merchant Marine and Fisheries Committee work.

Ms. DeCoster graduated from Kenyon College (Ohio) and received a Master's Degree in Foreign Affairs from the University of Virginia.

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## Witness Disclosure Form

Clause 2(g) of rule XI of the Rules of the House of Representatives requires non-governmental witnesses to disclose to the Committee the following information. A non-governmental witness is any witness appearing on behalf of himself/herself or on behalf of an organization other than a federal agency, or a state, local or tribal government.

Your Name, Business Address, and Telephone Number:

Kathy DeCoster

1. Are you appearing on behalf of yourself or a non-governmental organization? Please list organization(s) you are representing.

Representing The Trust for Public Land, a non-governmental organization

2. Have you or any organization you are representing received any Federal grants or contracts (including any subgrants or subcontracts) since October 1, 2008?

Yes X No

3. If your response to question #2 is "Yes", please list the amount and source (by agency and program) of each grant or contract, and indicate whether the recipient of such grant or contract was you or the organization(s) you are representing.

Please see attached document listing all federal grants received by The Trust for Public Land during the specified time period.

Signature:

Date:

March 12, 2012

**The Trust for Public Land**  
**Awards 10/1/2008 to 2/29/2012**  
**Federal Awards and Contracts**

<b>Federal Grantor Program Title</b>	<b>Federal CFDA Number</b>	<b>Federal / State Expenditures</b>
<b>U.S. Department of Agriculture:</b>		
Natural Resources Conservation Service:		
Farm and Ranch Lands Protection Program	10.913	\$ 6,765,550
Total U.S. Department of Agriculture		6,765,550
<b>U.S. Department of Defense:</b>		
U.S. Army:		
Army Compatible Use Buffers	12.W911-SR-	1,479,645
Research Development and Engineering Command	06-2-0004	
Conservation Planning	pending	75,000
Total U.S. Department of Defense		1,554,645
<b>U.S. Department of Commerce:</b>		
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Association:		
Coastal Zone Management Administration Awards	11.419	400,000
Total U.S. Department of Commerce		400,000
<b>Department of Housing and Urban Development</b>		
<b>Office of Community Planning and Development</b>		
Community Development Block Grants/Entitlement Grants	14.218	40,000
Total U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development		40,000
<b>U.S. Environmental Protection Agency:</b>		
Office of Water:		
Surveys, Studies, Demonstrations and Special Purpose Grants- Section 1442 of the Safe Drinking Water Act	66.424	114,500
Long Island Sound Program	66.437	278,620
National Estuary Program	66.456	8,000
Total U.S. Department of Environmental Protection Agency		401,120

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<b>U.S. Department of the Interior:</b>		
U.S. Bureau of Reclamation:		
Central Valley Project Conservation Program	15.512	1,000,000
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service:		
Fish and Wildlife Management Assistance	15.608	31,380
Coastal Wetlands Planning, Protection and Restoration Act	15.614	70,200
Cooperative Endangered Species Conservation Fund	15.615	810,000
North American Wetlands Conservation Fund	15.623	2,000,000
Landowner Incentive Program	15.633	178,750
		<u>3,090,330</u>
National Park Service:		
American Battlefield Protection	15.926	41,120
Ohio & Erie Canalway National Heritage Corridor Act of 1996	15.939	75,000
		<u>116,120</u>
Udall Foundation		
Geospatial Managed Services Contract		56,000
Total U.S. Department of the Interior		<u>4,262,450</u>
<b>U.S. Department of Transportation</b>		
Federal Highway Administration:		
Public Lands Highway Discretionary Program		250,000
Total U.S. Department of Transportation		<u>250,000</u>
<b>National Endowment for the Arts</b>		
Promotion of the Arts Grants to Organizations and Individuals	45.024	20,000
Total National Endowment for the Arts		<u>20,000</u>
Total federal awards and contracts		<u>\$ 13,693,765</u>