

Nationwide Monarch CCAA: Overview of Phase 3 Benefits

The development of the monarch butterfly Candidate Conservation Agreement with Assurances (CCAA) has consisted of three phases:

Phase 1: Development of the draft CCAA

Phase 2: U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (USFWS) review and finalization of the CCAA

Phase 3: Application/enrollment period for the CCAA

Throughout the phases, industry partners have made both financial and in-kind contributions to a joint fund administered by the University of Illinois-Chicago (UIC) to support the performance of key tasks and activities. In Phase 3, these contributions will support outreach to new partners and key stakeholders, technical assistance to partners and applicants during the application phase and initial implementation, continued coordination with the USFWS, and UIC's transition into the formal Program Administrator role. Phase 3 is expected to extend through December 2020.

Industry partners providing either in-kind or financial support (or both) to the project can serve on the Advisory Team. There are a number of benefits based on the level of contribution, as described in the table below. Current financial commitments to Phase 3 range from \$5,000 to \$20,000.

Phase 3 Contribution	Level of Support / Benefits Received
Participation on CCAA Advisory Team; in-kind only (\$0)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• General application support
Financial contribution of at least \$5,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• One-on-one application support• Waived application fee (\$3,000)
Financial contribution of \$10,000 or more	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Application preparation (up to 12-15 hours)• Waived application fee (\$3,000)• Scaled discount on first year administrative fee based on total contribution level

In addition, there are early enrollment incentives available during Phase 3 to encourage applicants to enroll in the CCAA ahead of the USFWS listing determination. These discounts are applied to the annual administrative fee for the first 3 years. The discounts are as follows:

- > 20% discount if the applicant's completed application is received by April 30, 2020.
- > 10% discount if the applicant's completed application is received by May 31, 2020.

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