



Funding Opportunities to Support Practice Payments to Landowners

Comparing Forest Landowner Support [NOFO 3](#) and [NOFO 4](#)

Title	Landowner Cost Share Payment Programs for Climate Mitigation and/or Forest Resilience Practices (NOFO3)	Landowner Payment Programs for Carbon Stewardship Practices (NOFO 4)
Statute	Inflation Reduction Act: Public Law No: 117-169. Subtitle D, Sec. 23002 (a)(1)	Inflation Reduction Act: Public Law No: 117-169. Subtitle D, Sec. 23002 (a)(4)
Intent	To support state-endorsed programs to issue cost share payments to landowners for climate mitigation and/or forest resilience practices.	To provide financial compensation to private forest landowners for implementation of practices that provide measurable increases in carbon sequestration and storage.
Where to Apply	Grants.gov: Opportunity Number USDA-FS-2024-IRA-FLS-03.	Grants.gov: Opportunity Number USDA-FS-2024-IRA-FLS-04.
Who Can Apply	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> State forestry agencies or their equivalents. Nonprofit organizations, institutions of higher learning, and units of local government <i>with a letter of endorsement from a State Forester or their equivalent.</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> State forestry agencies or their equivalents. Nonprofit organizations.
Max. Award	\$5 million for single-state programs; \$15 million for multi-state programs	\$5 million
Match	20%, with potential for reduction.	20%, with potential for reduction.
Eligible Recipients of Payments	Non-federal, non-industrial forest landowners, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Individuals, groups, associations, corporations, or other private legal entities; Federally and state recognized Tribes, as well as equivalent governmental representatives of native indigenous communities; and Units of local government. 	Private forest landowners.

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Eligible Lands	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Non-industrial private forest land; • Forest land owned by a unit of local government; and • Forest land held in trust for Native Hawaiians by the Department of Hawaiian Homelands and the Office of Hawaiian Affairs. 	Private forest land.
<p>For both opportunities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Land must be rural, forested (or suitable for growing trees), and owned by an eligible recipient of payments. • Tribal land held in trust by the federal government on behalf of Tribes and individual Tribal members is considered eligible. 		
Deadline	September 30, 2024	September 30, 2024