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| ***FY 2022 Landscape Scale Restoration Competitive Program***  ***OPTIONAL WORKSHEET- Submit to NFS*** [***trees@unl.edu***](mailto:trees@unl.edu) ***by Sep. 20th, 2021*** | **Filename** | | | | |
| State: |  | | Keyword: |  |
| **Administration Information** | | | | |
| Funds Requested: | | | |  |
| Match: | | | |  |
| **Score**: | | **Ranking:** | | **Project Funding:** |

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| **1** | **Applicant Information** | | | | | |
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| **2** | **Project Information** | | | | |
| **Is this a Multi-state proposal? Check “yes” if want to submit the same proposal with multiple state budget requests. If yes, a co-applicant menu item will appear in the on-line version for you to add other states/islands. This allows you to work on the same proposal with each applicant requesting funds.**  **:** | | | | **☐ Yes OR ☐ No** |
| **Descriptive Title**  **of Project:** |  | | | |
| **Partnering Agencies / Organizations:** | Please use the **Partners** drop down list on the top of the menu bar on-line to add organizations that are partners on this project. You will refer to their associated number in the budget and/or narratives when describing their contribution or role. | | | |
| **Project Duration:** | **☐ One Year** | **☐ Two Years** | **☐ Three Years** | |

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| **2** | **GIS Coordinates** | |
| **Ref. Point Name:** |  |
| **Lat/Long:** |  |
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| **Ref. Point Name:** |  |
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| **Description:** |  |
| **Area Name:** |  |
| **Boundary Lat/Longs:** |  |
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| **3** | **Project Overview/Purpose Statement** |
| **5 Points. 1500 Characters including spaces.**  The project overview should contain the location and importance of the landscape; landscape need; high level overview of main goals, objectives, and deliverables; collaboration; boundaries; jurisdictions; amount of funds requested and total project value; the relationship to a State Forest Action Plan (or equivalent state-wide restoration strategy); and at least one of the Landscape Objectives. This section should show how the project will address LSR’s purpose statement “to encourage collaborative, science-based restoration of priority forest landscapes.” |

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| **4** | **Context, Goals, and Objectives** |
| **15 Points. 2500 Characters including spaces.**  Context should clearly identify priority landscapes and issues that are the focus of the project. Goals should be clearly explained and should relate to the Forest Action Plan or equivalent restoration strategy. The need for treatment of the landscape should be explained, and the goals of the project should be clearly addressed and linked to the needs. Describe how the proposal is designed to achieve one or more of the Landscape Objectives listed in the ‘Eligibility, Process, and Other Requirements’ section and the National LSR Manual. Link the project goals to the relevant Landscape Objective(s). |

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| **5** | **Proposed Activities** |
| **20 Points. 3250 Characters including spaces.**  Clearly describe activities to be completed with LSR grant funds, match, and leveraged resources. All project expenditures should be explicitly identified and linked to the activity, which should link to project goals and objective(s). The source of match and non-match leveraged funds should be specified and costs should be well detailed. The financial contributions of partners should be documented clearly under match and non-match leverage. Projects that leverage match and non-match funding from multiple entities will be given priority. Please note: any funds for construction, research, or other activities not allowable for grant or match; proposals MUST therefore clearly outline all funding sources. Projects that propose use of S&PF dollars or match to fund ineligible activities under S&PF authorities will be considered ineligible. |

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| **6** | **Project Budget** | | | | | | |
|  |  | **Leverage[[1]](#footnote-1)** | | | |  |
|  | **Grant** | **Match** | | **Non-Match** | **Source** | **TOTAL** |
|  | **Funds requested** | **Applicant** | **Non-federal**  **contributors** | **Applicant, non-federal, and/or federal** | **3rd Party Contributor/s** | **Total project cost** |
| **Personnel / Labor:** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Fringe Benefits:** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Travel:** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Equipment:** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Supplies:** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Contractual:** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Construction:** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Consolidated[[2]](#footnote-2):** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Other:** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Indirect Costs[[3]](#footnote-3):** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **TOTAL:** |  |  |  |  |  |  |

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| **7** | **Deliverables and Outcomes** |
| **15 Points. 2500 Characters including spaces.**  The deliverables (specific target/result) and outcomes (impact of completing the project) should relate to achievement of one or more Landscape Objectives and a goal, strategy, or desired future condition within the State Forest Action plan or equivalent state-wide restoration strategy. Clearly describe all planned deliverables and outcomes, how they relate to measurable science-based restoration of landscapes, and what metrics the applicant plans to use to measure progress towards these outcomes.  Each LSR project must accomplish at least one of the on-the-ground national quantitative measures listed in the ‘LSR Quantitative Accomplishments Requirement’ document and may include additional specific measurable results. Proposed metrics should be specific, measurable, achievable, realistic, and timely. Successful projects will be required to measure progress towards their stated outcomes within the LaSR reporting system using these national quantitative measures. |

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| **8** | **Cross-Boundary Collaboration** |
| **15 Points. 3250 Characters including spaces.**  Projects must identify partners that are actively engaged and add value towards project planning and implementation. Collaboration may be qualitative in nature and the contribution of the partners may be more important than the number of partners involved in the projects. Financial contributions should be detailed under match (for eligible costs, entities, and lands) and additional non-match leveraged contributions (if non-match leveraged funds are included in a proposal) within the budget. Note that while collaboration and coordination with Forest Service or other public land management agencies is encouraged, grant awards can only be used for work on non-federal land. Projects should seek to improve the delivery of public benefits from forest management by coordinating with complementary state and federal programs and partnership efforts where possible. Priority will be given to projects that do so. Projects promoting cross-boundary collaboration will also be given priority, whether through proximity to other land ownerships or by the inclusion of a combination of ownerships (including tribal, State and local Government, and private lands (such as multiple private landowners. private and State landowners; State and Federal landowners; State and local Government; and State and Tribal landowners)) within the project area. |

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| **9** | **Forest Action Plan Integration** |
| **10 Points. 2250 Characters including spaces.**  A proposal must demonstrate how the objectives of the project will help achieve the priorities in the State Forest Action Plan or other state-wide restoration strategy. Describe the need for the proposed project and relate it to one or more significant priority landscapes, issues, or strategies identified in the state Forest Action Plan or equivalent state-wide restoration strategy. Describe how the project will bring a state, region, or area to a desired future condition, goal, or strategy as articulated within the Forest Action Plan or equivalent state-wide strategy. |

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| **10** | **Meaningful Scale** |
| **10 Points. 2000 Characters including spaces.**  A project proposal must describe the project area, the land ownerships within the area, and specific areas targeted for treatment. The scale of a project must be the most appropriate size based on the land ownerships, objectives, and outcomes (including cross-boundary goals) for the landscape. Detail how the scale is sufficient to address the identified relevant priorities from the Forest Action Plan (or equivalent state-wide restoration strategy) and the Landscape Objective(s) being addressed by the project. Clearly articulate the rationale for why the scale is meaningful. |

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| **11** | **Sustainability of Outcomes** |
| **10 Points. 2000 Characters including spaces.**  Provide rationale for why dollars invested will sustain project outcomes into the future, beyond project end date (some examples: enhanced skills or learning, replicability, future plans related to the State Forest Action Plan or equivalent restoration strategy which build upon this successful project, etc.). Explain how development and/or strengthening of partnerships may also be a means of supporting project outcomes beyond the project end date. Describe how the project results in resource sharing or cross-boundary collaboration or agreements (formalized agreements hold greater weight) that extend beyond the project period. Technical transfer is the sharing of knowledge, tools, and innovations for practical application. Projects must describe how others will learn from project implementation, including the project’s potential to inform practitioners and enhance the effectiveness of similar initiatives. Knowledge and technical transfer should aim to share innovation across landscapes. While projects may include a component of outreach, education, and training as a means to achieve the project goals, these elements should not be the sole anticipated outcome. |

1. Leverage includes all three categories: match, non-match, and source. Funds qualifying as “match” must meet the same program requirements as grant funds (e.g., program authorities, non-federal sources). Other “non-match” leveraged funds do not need to meet the same standards (e.g., may include funds for construction, funds from other federal partners). Partnership with other USFS programs outside of State & Private Forestry, as well as other federal and state programs is encouraged.

   [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. If any part of your match requirement is being covered through a consolidated payment grant (i.e. state spending of non-federal funds on activities that meet S&PF program authorities but are not tied to this proposal), please place it here. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
3. Indirect costs must be tied to an established rate. Waived indirect costs are an acceptable source of match.

   [↑](#footnote-ref-3)