

USDA Forest Service Land Acquisition Proposal

Agency: U.S. Forest Service

Fiscal Year 2022

Project/Unit:

Priority: _____

**State(s) and
Congressional
District:**

Location:

Type of Project:

Proposed for FY 2022		
Interest	Acres	Cost
Fee		
Easement		
Other		
Acquired to Date		
Protected		
In Process		
In Process		
Remaining		
Remaining		

Scoring Criteria For each criterion that requires a written narrative, information should include how the tract(s) proposed for acquisition reflect OneUSDA strategic goals, the Forest Service Chief’s Priorities, and the Forest Service Strategic Plan. Please refer to Criteria and Guidance for more information.

1.) Recreation and Recreational Access:

2.) Watershed Protection:

3.) Threatened and Endangered Species and Habitat (Forced Ranking):

4.) Proposal/Tract Location (Forced Ranking):

5.) Connecting Communities/Partner Support:

6.) Regional Ranking:

7.) Operation and Maintenance:

How does the acquisition improve the ability of the acquiring unit to perform its work and deliver benefits to the public with greater efficiency and lower costs? Or does the acquisition incur costs? Is the cost outweighed by a longer term benefit? Please try to describe how the acquisition makes a net positive contribution to operation and maintenance measured in terms of verifiable cost savings or other quantifiable efficiencies.

8) Urgency of Acquisition

is proposed acquisition urgent, and if so, why? For example – is the land available for purchase on the open market and likely to sell quickly to another buyer? Or is the landowner eager to sell quickly? Is there a bargain sale or additional land donation contingent on the closing date?

9) Threats to the Integrity of the Land

Many forests have significantly fragmented ownership within the forest boundary which is difficult for forest management. See criteria and guidance for scoring of checkerboard lands and units with less than 2/3 publicly-owned land.

Additional Information: Optional