CFLRP Request for Proposals

Webinar

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We’ll get started momentarily
Session Objectives

• Provide basic information about CFLRP to help Forest Service units and partners assess whether it’s a good fit for their needs
• Discuss Joint Chiefs Landscape Restoration Program similarities and differences to consider
• Provide an overview of the CFLRP proposal process
• Answer questions
Today’s Presenters

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Poll Time
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The purpose of CFLRP is to:

- Encourage collaborative, science-based restoration
- Support ecological, economic, and social sustainability
- Leverage local, national, and private resources
- Facilitate the reduction of wildfire management costs and risks, including through reestablishing natural fire regimes
- Demonstrate the degree to which various restoration approaches achieve ecological and watershed health objectives
- Use forest restoration byproducts to offset treatment costs while benefiting local rural economies and improving forest health
COLLABORATIVE FOREST LANDSCAPE RESTORATION ACT

Selection criteria includes:

• Landscapes must be at least 50,000 acres and mostly National Forest System lands
• Proposals developed through a collaborative process involving multiple stakeholders
• Demonstrate need for restoration and have a substantially complete strategy
• Include investment and funding plans
• Multi-party monitoring
COLLABORATIVE FOREST LANDSCAPE RESTORATION ACT

Funding and Investments:

• Act authorizes funding for implementation and monitoring
• Each project can receive no more than $4 million of this authorized funding per year
• Funds can be used to cover up to 50% of the implementation and monitoring costs
• Remainder of costs through matching funds
KEY DEFINITIONS

Collaborative
• includes *multiple interested persons representing diverse interests*; and
• is *transparent and nonexclusive*; or
• meets the requirements for a resource advisory committee

Forest
• Majority forested lands

Landscape
• At least 50,000 acres of mostly NFS lands with other federal, tribal, state and private in the landscape boundary

Restoration
• Creating and maintaining healthy, resilient landscapes capable of delivering full range of ecosystem services and benefits
2018 FARM BILL

Reauthorized CFLRP until FY23.

Reauthorization increases *authorization* for appropriation to $80M.

• This doesn’t mean the Program will be funded at that level and at this time we do not know how much funding will be appropriated in FY20.

Besides timeline considerations and the funding cap, there were no other changes to *statutory* program requirements (e.g., how CFLN can be spent, project eligibility, etc.)
THREE CATEGORIES OF CFLR PROJECTS

2010 Extensions & New Projects

- Request for proposals coming soon.
- **2010**: Opportunity for extension of funding.
- **New Projects**: Opportunity for funding.

2012 Projects

- Support will continue through FY20 & FY21.
- Extension process will occur at a later date.
## EXTENSION AND NEW PROJECT SPECIFICS

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<td>• Congress expects us to select some new projects with appropriations beyond $40 million.</td>
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<td>• Funding Options:</td>
<td>• At most, two new projects can be selected from a single Region, each year.</td>
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CFLR PROPOSAL PROCESS

Per the Farm Bill, the Secretary must consult with a Federal Advisory Panel on new project and 2010 extension selections.

Two – Tier Proposal and Review Process

**Mid-July**
- Request for Proposal Released for BOTH Joint Chiefs and CFLR

**Mid-July - November**
- **Tier 1**: Projects will submit an initial proposal for review to the Regional Office Review Team.
- **Tier 2**: Proposals selected in Tier 1 will develop detailed proposals.

**November 22**
- Tier 2 proposals due to the WO.
### What’s the Right Tool for my Unit?

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ADDITONAL RESOURCES

https://www.fs.fed.us/restoration/CFLRP/overview.shtml

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FACA COMMITTEE – STAY TUNED

https://www.fs.fed.us/restoration/CFLRP/advisory-panel.shtml

CFLRP Advisory Panel

The 2018 Farm Bill, which became law on December 20, 2018, includes a reauthorization of the Collaborative Forest Landscape Restoration Program (CFLRP) through fiscal year 2023. See the Farm Bill language about CFLRP (amendments to the original 2009 CFLRP legislation on pg. 376). Depending on appropriations, the 13 CFLRP projects selected in 2012 will be prioritized for funding their final two years of planned implementation.

Apply or Nominate a CFLRP Advisory Panel Member – nomination announcement expected July 2019
Q&A

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Joint Chiefs’ Landscape Restoration Partnership
JCLRP Overview

Established in 2014 by the Chiefs of the USFS and NRCS.

Encourages the OneUSDA concept of a joint agency focus on rural prosperity and coordinated stewardship of private lands and public lands.

The purpose of JCLRP is to:

1) reduce and mitigate wildfire threats to communities and landowners;
2) protect water quality and supply for communities and industry; and
3) improve habitat quality for at-risk or ecosystem surrogate species.
JCLRP Projects at a glance
JCLRP Funds

Budget and Funding

- May be used on state, private, USFS or tribal lands.
- Funding can be used to cover planning, education, outreach, and on the ground activities.
- Funds for 1 proposal may be expended for no more than 3 fiscal years
- 1/3 of proposals get funded nationally.
JCLRP “Screen Out” Criteria

Three Primary Criteria must be met for all projects:

1. NEPA requirements are complete for work on public lands for year 1;

2. Proposals must include (at a minimum) a combination of activities on private land, and National Forest System, and/or state land; and,

3. Joint NRCS/USFS Sponsorship. Signature from State Forester required.
Specific WO Evaluation Criteria

- NEPA Readiness
- Joint USFS/NRCS Sponsorship
- Work on private/public lands
- Wildfire risk reduction
- Water quality and quantity
- At risk species
- Diversity of partners/Partner Match
- Potential for tribal collaboration
- State forestry involvement (think FAP)
- Reasonable funding/ Budget planning
- Track record
- Length of project
- Challenge/resource objective
- Measureable outcomes.
- Support economic growth
RO and WO Proposal Review Process

Regional Review Process

WO Review Process

- Step 1: Each agency forms an interdisciplinary panel to evaluate and rank projects.
- Step 2: NRCS/USFS integrated team ranks proposals: high, moderate-high, moderate, low.
### JCLRP Proposal Timeline

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# DRAFT Joint Chiefs’ and CFLRP Proposal Timeline

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Forest Management, Range Management, and Vegetation Ecology
USDA Forest Service
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS PROCESS OVERVIEW

https://www.fs.fed.us/restoration/CFLRP/overview.shtml

Tier 1 (Pre-Proposal)

Tier 2 (Full Proposal)
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS STEPS

1. USDA Forest Service Washington Office sends RFP and guidance to Regional Foresters (July 15)
2. Tier 1 (Pre-Proposal) development
3. Tier 1 submitted to Regional Offices (see Regional deadlines)
4. Regions Offices provide decisions and rationale on which proposals advance to Tier 2...
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* To be confirmed. Please check the CFLRP website or reach out to the Region.
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS STEPS (CONT...)

1. Tier 2 (Full Proposal) development

2. Tier 2 submitted to Regional Offices (see Regional deadlines – WO baseline Nov 8)

3. Tier 2 nominations submitted to the CFLRP FACA Advisory Committee through the Washington Office (Nov 22)

Earliest expected time CFLRP FACA Committee can convene - December

Earliest expected time Secretary will issue decisions - January 2020
EXAMPLE SELECTION CRITERIA
Full text: https://www.fs.fed.us/restoration/CFLRP/overview.shtml

- Landscapes must be at least 50,000 acres and mostly National Forest System lands
- Proposals developed through a collaborative process involving multiple stakeholders
- Demonstrate need for restoration and have a substantially complete strategy
- Include investment and funding plans
- Accessible by wood-processing infrastructure at appropriate
- Incorporate best available science and scientific application tools
- Fully maintain or restore structure and composition of old growth in context of landscape resiliency
- In need of active ecosystem restoration
- Does not establish permanent roads
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<td>Request for <strong>extension funding</strong> is in line with Regional priorities and capacity</td>
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CFLRP Tier 1 Proposal Template for New Projects

Strong proposals will address all Tier 1 criteria in their responses. Please review the Proposal Process Overview, Review Checklist, and Instructions to Applicants before completing the template below. Taken together, the questions below should address the Review Checklist; they do not correspond one-to-one.

1. Proposed Project Title:

2. USDA Forest Service Unit(s) Submitting Proposal:

3. Where is the proposed CFLRP landscape? Visit the Landscape Restoration Proposal WebMap to outline the proposed landscape and upload a PDF (or shapefile, if available) of your proposed CFLRP landscape, including ownership and any other features you’d like to highlight visually.

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4. How many acres within the proposed landscape are NEPA ready? How many acres under pending NEPA?

5. What are the highest priority economic, ecological, and social outcomes over the ten-year period of the project and why?

6. What are the most significant disturbance risks on the landscape, including wildland fire? Be sure to include key resources, services, and/or values at risk from these disturbances.

7. In a brief paragraph, describe how the proposed project aligns with local unit, state, regional, and national priorities and outyear programs of work.
8. What kinds of treatments would be core to implementing a proposed landscape strategy?

9. Briefly describe the most significant opportunities for wood restoration byproduct utilization related to this proposal.

10. Briefly describe the capacity needed to successfully implement the project and how you expect to deal with capacity challenges.

11. Provide a list the key collaborative group(s) or partners that will contribute to and share ownership in this project.

12. Briefly describe how the unit(s) has engaged with the collaborative group/partners to date, highlighting examples of successes and/or challenges overcome to date.
13. Recognizing this is a pre-proposal stage, please provide an *estimate* of the funding needed to *implement and monitor* the proposed CFLRP project.\textsuperscript{11} Note that a more detailed proposed funding plan will be required for the Tier 2 full proposals.

### Estimated CFLRP funding request for Year 1:

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Generally, how do you plan to fund any needed NEPA work? What resources would be needed from the Regional Office, if any? (200 words or less)
TIER 1 TEMPLATE – NEW PROJECTS

- **CFLRP funding (CFLN)** – up to 50 percent of the cost of carrying out and monitoring ecological restoration treatments on National Forest System land

- **Forest Service funding** - appropriated and perm and trust funds for implementation and monitoring across the CFLRP landscape

- **Partner contributions** - fair value of in-kind contributions and monetary contributions across the CFLRP landscape

- **Goods for services** - service work paid for through the exchange of goods for services in a stewardship contract
3. How many years is the project requesting for an extension?

6. Briefly, what were the most significant economic, ecological, and social outcomes of the project to date, especially as indicated through multi-party monitoring results?

7. Using cumulative CFLRP project accomplishments please fill in the table below with key lifetime goals, progress to date, and progress expected under extension:

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<th>Key CFLRP Lifetime Goal Performance Measure</th>
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TIER 2 PROPOSAL PACKET
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- Process overview
- Eligibility criteria from the legislation
- Selection criteria from the legislation
  - USFS selection factors tiered to selection criteria

Forthcoming:
- Detailed instructions to applicants
- Appendices
Collaborative Forest Landscape Restoration Program Overview

2019 Request for Proposals

To select projects for implementation under the Collaborative Forest Landscape Restoration Fund, the Secretary considers the recommendations of an Advisory Panel. An advisory panel reviews Project proposals nominated by the Regional Forester. Learn more about the CFLRP Advisory Panel...

The proposal process for new CFLRP projects and extensions for existing ten-year projects will involve two tiers of review. This process applies to new projects as well as projects that have received funding for 10 years and are applying for a one-time extension for the shortest time practicable to complete implementation.

- **Tier 1 (Pre-Proposal):** Applicants provide a brief and high-level description of the proposed CFLRP project or project extension. The Regional Office will evaluate Tier 1 proposals using a common set of criteria and the Regional Forester will decide which projects should proceed with full Tier 2 proposal development.

- **Tier 2 (Full Proposal):** Project extension and new project proposals selected in Tier 1 will proceed with detailed proposal development. These proposals will be reviewed for completeness by the Regional Office, and if they meet all of the CFLRP eligibility criteria, they will be submitted to the CFLRP Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) Committee for evaluation.

**Interested in applying?**

For timeline, criteria, templates, and other information please see the following.

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Collaborative Forest Landscape Restoration Program Glossary

Collaboration or Collaborative Process - “a structured manner in which a collection of people with diverse interests share knowledge, ideas, and resources while working together in an inclusive and cooperative manner toward a common purpose.” (National Forest System Land Management Planning; 36 CFR § 219.19. p. 83.) Collaborative processes often include diverse entities working together to solve shared problems, develop projects, and/or achieve outcomes using open, transparency, and inclusive approaches and decision-making.

Collaborative Forest Landscape Restoration Fund - the established by section 4003(f) of Title IV of the Omnibus Public Land Management Act of 2009.

Collaborative Group - related to the terms above, collaborative groups are generally comprised of diverse interested and focused on funding common ground to achieve shared objectives or resolve perceived problems. They are not controlled or led by Forest Service employees.

Desired condition - the term "desired conditions" refers to landscape and resource conditions (as defined collaboratively by stakeholders and land managers) that you are seeking to achieve and maintain for your CFLRP landscape over the next 10+ years. Desired conditions are outcome-driven not output-driven, and should link to your project’s CFLRP proposal restoration strategy and being measurable.

Note: The term “desired condition” is used somewhat differently in the Forest Service’s Land Management Planning Process. In that context, it is not time bound, and often represents long-term social, economic and ecological goals, while the term “desired” is used to represent specific, measurable and time-bound benchmarks to be achieved while working toward desired conditions in a forest plan area.

Ecological restoration - the process of assisting the recovery of an ecosystem that has been damaged or destroyed. Ecological restoration focuses on reestablishing the composition, structure, pattern, and ecosystem processes necessary to facilitate terrestrial and aquatic ecosystems sustainability, resilience, and health under current and future conditions (36 CFR 219.19).

Ecosystem services - benefits people obtain from ecosystems, including:

1. Provisioning services, such as clean air and fresh water, energy, forage, food, flora and fauna, genetic resources, mineral products, and water;
2. Regulating services, such as long-term storage of carbon; climate regulation; water filtration, purification, and storage; soil stabilization; flood and drought control; and disease regulation;
3. Supporting services, such as pollination, seed dispersal, soil formation, and nutrient cycling; and
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