Florence Reforestation Fund (FRF) Program Information for SFY 2022-23

The N.C. Forest Service has identified time-limited Florence Reforestation Fund (FRF) cost-share funding to assist impacted landowners with establishing a new forest stand for tree planting only projects, if located within eligible FRF counties.

Plant Only Funding Enrollment Period

The N.C. Forest Service will begin accepting applications for FRF "Plant Only" Funding beginning on Thursday, September 1st, 2022, and will close Friday, December 16th, 2022.

Plant Only Application Funding

\$1,000,000 will be available for potential funding during this application enrollment period.

Applications to this Plant Only Fund will be approved on a "first come, first serve" basis using the date & time the completed application is received at our NCFS Headquarters in Raleigh, N.C.

Completed FRF applications must be mailed to our NCFS State Headquarters with a postmark date <u>no earlier</u> than 9/1/2022. Application requests will be accepted for funding through Friday, December 16th, 2022, or until funds are no longer available. Applications should be submitted to local NCFS offices for review and approval before Friday December 9th, 2022 to allow adequate time for processing.

All applicants that are awarded plant only funding will receive a formal approval letter from the NCFS State Headquarters to notify recipients of the award amount, project start date, and program funding requirements. Upon receiving the official approval letter, landowners may begin their project.

All projects must be completed by **May 1**st, **2023** with all supporting documentation for project close out sent to the NCFS State Headquarters. No extensions will be granted for plant only funded projects.

Required Forms

All new requests for Plant Only funding must be submitted on the Forestry Cost-Share Application Form 4910-3, with "FRF – PLANT ONLY" written in the program name box.

The State of North Carolina Substitute W-9 Form is <u>not</u> required at the time of funding with cost-share applications. However, a current N.C. Substitute W-9 Form is required at the time of payment reimbursement request.

If you have additional questions about this replant funding memo, please contact Ron Myers – Forest Management Branch Head at 919-857-4811 (Ron.Myers@ncagr.gov.) or Jaimee Cappelletti – FDP Program Administrator at 919-857-4832 (Jaimee.Cappelletti@ncagr.gov)



North Carolina County Eligibility for Hurricane Florence Reforestation Funding



