



How WRI Works (with WRI-TAPs)

Step 1: WRI-TAP receives inquiry about windbreak management or about the WRI program. Or, NDFS refers landowner to WRI-TAP.

Step 2: WRI-TAP contacts landowner and obtains information to determine basic eligibility.

Step 3: WRI-TAP conducts windbreak assessment and prepares a Windbreak Assessment Site Visit Report.

- WRI-TAP is compensated for completed Windbreak Assessment Site Visit Report.

Note: A WRI-TAP Windbreak Assessment Site Visit Report and the recommendations contained within are essential in empowering landowners to undertake active management of their windbreak. Many landowners may not pursue a WRI Grant, and this is OK!

Step 4: WRI-TAP works with landowner to determine which recommendations will be included in the WRI Grant Application and assists with completing and submitting the WRI Grant Application Package.

- WRI-TAP is compensated for completed WRI Grant Application Package.

Step 5: NDFS reviews applications and makes recommendations for funding. Contracts are signed by Landowner and State Forester.

Step 6: Landowners with funded renovation projects sign a cost-share agreement with NDFS and have two years to complete their renovation. WRI-TAPs assist the landowner as needed. Occasionally additional technical assistance requiring another site visit is requested by the landowner.

- WRI-TAP is compensated for completing one Renovation In-Progress Site Visit Report, if requested.

Step 7: Before the two-year deadline, landowner notifies WRI-TAP that renovation is complete and requests final inspection.

- WRI-TAP is compensated for completing Final Inspection Report.

Step 8: WRI-TAP assists landowner with gathering necessary documents, certifying completed project, and submitting reimbursement request.

- WRI-TAP is compensated for completed Reimbursement Package.