

North Dakota Forest Service Forest Restoration/Windbreak Renovation Grant Program

2016 Program Overview

PURPOSE

Forest Restoration/ Windbreak Renovation Grant Program will provide financial assistance to private landowners to restore, protect and enhance planted or native forest.

ELIGIBILITY

An assessment of existing forest resources and approved **Forest Restoration/Windbreak Renovation Plan**, are required. Forest Restoration/ Windbreak Renovation practices eligible for financial assistance may include:

- Coppicing
- Thinning
- Row removal
- Tree/ shrub pruning
- Site preparation
- Tree/ shrub machine-planting
- Tree/ shrub hand-planting
- Weed barrier installation
- Chemical or mechanical weed control
- Tree tubes
- Exclusion fencing for wildlife or livestock
- Erosion control measures
- Herbaceous seeding between rows

FUNDS AVAILABILITY

Grant Funds totaling **50% of the actual cost** to implement the Forest Restoration/Windbreak Renovation Plan will be distributed to the landowner on a reimbursement basis. Documentation of inspection of the completed project by the North Dakota Forest Service or authorized representative and documentation of qualified cash expenditures must be submitted for reimbursement. Restoration practices undertaken directly by the landowner are not reimbursable but may be used as in-kind match. Reimbursement is limited to the total qualified cash expenditures up to a maximum of **\$10,000**.

DEADLINE

Grant applications are accepted on a continuous basis. There are no deadlines for submitting an application. However, grant applications must be submitted far enough in advance to allow a realistic schedule for the completion of proposed project activities. Site assessments and plans required for submitting an application are offered on a seasonal basis, so landowners are encouraged to contact a North Dakota Forest Service staff member early.

PROJECT COMPLETION

On or before December 31, 2018.

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2016 Grant Application – TO BE COMPLETED BY FOREST SERVICE OR PARTNER STAFF

LANDOWNER INFORMATION					
Landowner Name:				Phone:	
Mailing Address:		City:		State:	Zip:
LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY:					
County:		QTR:	SEC:	TWP:	RNG:
ESTIMATED PROJECT COST (Practices and Units from Forest Restoration Plan)					
Practice Description	Units (acres, feet, etc.)	Estimated Cost (*Attach vendor estimate(s))	Who will perform this practice? (Vendor or Landowner)	When will this practice be completed?	
ESTIMATED TOTAL PROJECT COST					
PROJECT MATCH INFORMATION					
<u>Forest Restoration Credit</u> Acres of Forest Restored X 5-year average per acre rental rate for Non-Irrigated Cropland in this county ¹ X 10 Years _____ X _____ X 10 = Acres Rental Rate					
<u>Value of Practices Above Completed by Landowner²</u> Describe practices to be completed by landowner:					
<u>Landowner Cash³</u>					
TOTAL PROJECT MATCH (50% OF TOTAL PROJECT COST)					
1. See current County Rents and Values for North Dakota, available from the North Dakota Department of Trust Lands: http://www.land.nd.gov/surface/RentSurvey.aspx . 2. Landowner effort may be used as match but are not reimbursable expenses. Documentation of effort is required. 3. Receipts must be retained and submitted for reimbursement. IMPORTANT: Total Reimbursement is limited to 50% of the total project cost, not to exceed the total qualified cash expenditures up to a maximum of \$10,000.					
LANDOWNER CERTIFICATION					
_____			_____		
Landowner Signature			Date		
Submit this Application and Complete Forest Restoration/Windbreak Renovation Plan & attachments to: liz.smith@ndsu.edu or North Dakota Forest Service 300 2nd Ave. NE, Suite 208A Jamestown, ND 58401					