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**MEMORANDUM**

**To:** All NCFS

**From:** Ron Myers – Forest Management Branch Head  
Jaimee Cappelletti – FDP Program Administrator

**CC:** Sean Brogan – Asst. State Forester-Forest Management/Development

**Subject:** **State Cost-Share “Plant Only” Funding Information for FY 2022-2023**

The N.C. Forest Service is pleased to announce the opening of the enrollment periods for three cost-share programs starting on September 1, 2022 for \$1.65 million in potential “plant only” funding for tree planting projects. Listed below are the anticipated funding amounts by program along with a chart of important dates for application submission, enrollment period closing dates, and funding dates.

<b>Anticipated Cost-Share Plant Only Funding for SFY 2022-2023:</b>	
<b>American Forests</b> (Statewide Eligibility)	\$100,000
<b>Forest Development Program</b> (Statewide Eligibility)	\$550,000
<b>Florence Reforestation Fund</b> (Eligible Counties Only)	\$1,000,000
	<b>\$1,650,000</b>

The American Forests and Forest Development Programs will run consecutively and have similar enrollment time-period dates (See chart below). Landowners may apply for both programs together by listing each program name on the NCFS funding application form. American Forests and FDP applications can be submitted on the same application and should be labeled “AF/FDP Plant Only”. NCFS will conduct a random draw for each program beginning with the American Forests program.

The American Forests program should be utilized for afforestation projects and tree planting projects that include longleaf pine, shortleaf pine, oaks, hardwoods, and wetland species.

The Florence Reforestation Fund (FRF) will be funded on a first come, first serve basis until funds are fully allocated or the enrollment period closes on December 16, 2022, whichever comes first.

FRF applications should be labeled “FRF Plant Only” and sent separately from AF/FDP applications.

**NCFS Cost-share Program Chart**

Date	Sept. 1, 2022	Oct. 21, 2022	Oct. 28, 2022	Nov. 1, 2022	Dec. 9, 2022	Dec. 16, 2022
<b>Program</b>						
<b>AF</b>	American Forests (\$100,000)			Random Draw		
<b>FDP</b>	Forest Development Program (\$550,000)			Random Draw		
<b>FRF</b>	Florence Reforestation Fund (\$1,000,000) "first come, first serve"					

N.C. Forest Service “Plant Only” Funding information will be shared with consulting and registered foresters along with our conservation partners in the coming days. Funding information will also be saved in the financial assistance section under Managing your Forest webpage on our agency website. [North Carolina Forest Service \(ncforestservation.gov\)](http://ncforestservation.gov)

Please see attached funding documents for each NCFS cost-share program for additional details.