Longleaf on Sandhills Game Land, NC | Credit: Jeff Marcus

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  https://www.nfwf.org/programs/longleaf-landscape-stewardship-fund

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Webinar Agenda

- **Program Overview**

- **Program Priorities**

- **Application Guidance and Navigating Easygrants**

- **Compliance**

- **Timeline and Resource Links**

Night burn | Credit: Jeff Marcus

Program Overview

The **Longleaf Landscape Stewardship Fund** invests in on-the-ground projects to restore, enhance and conserve longleaf pine and bottomland hardwood forests within the historical longleaf pine range.

Public-Private Partnership

2025 Funding Opportunity

- **Request for Proposals:** https://www.nfwf.org/programs/longleaf-landscape-stewardship-fund/longleaf-landscape-stewardship-fund-2025-request

- **Proposal due date:** by 11:59pm, February 5, 2025

- **Anticipated funding:** up to $31 million total

- **Individual grant size:** $250,000 – $3,000,000

  - Project periods can span 24 – 48 months

- **Matching funds:**
  - ➤ Non-federal match is encouraged, **not required**
  - ➤ Will make a proposal more competitive
  - ➤ Applicants encouraged to describe federal partner contributions that will directly contribute to project outcomes

Proposals submitted online:
easygrants.nfwf.org

Geography

Where should projects take place?

Projects should occur within the historical longleaf pine range in the following states…

Alabama   Florida   Georgia   Louisiana

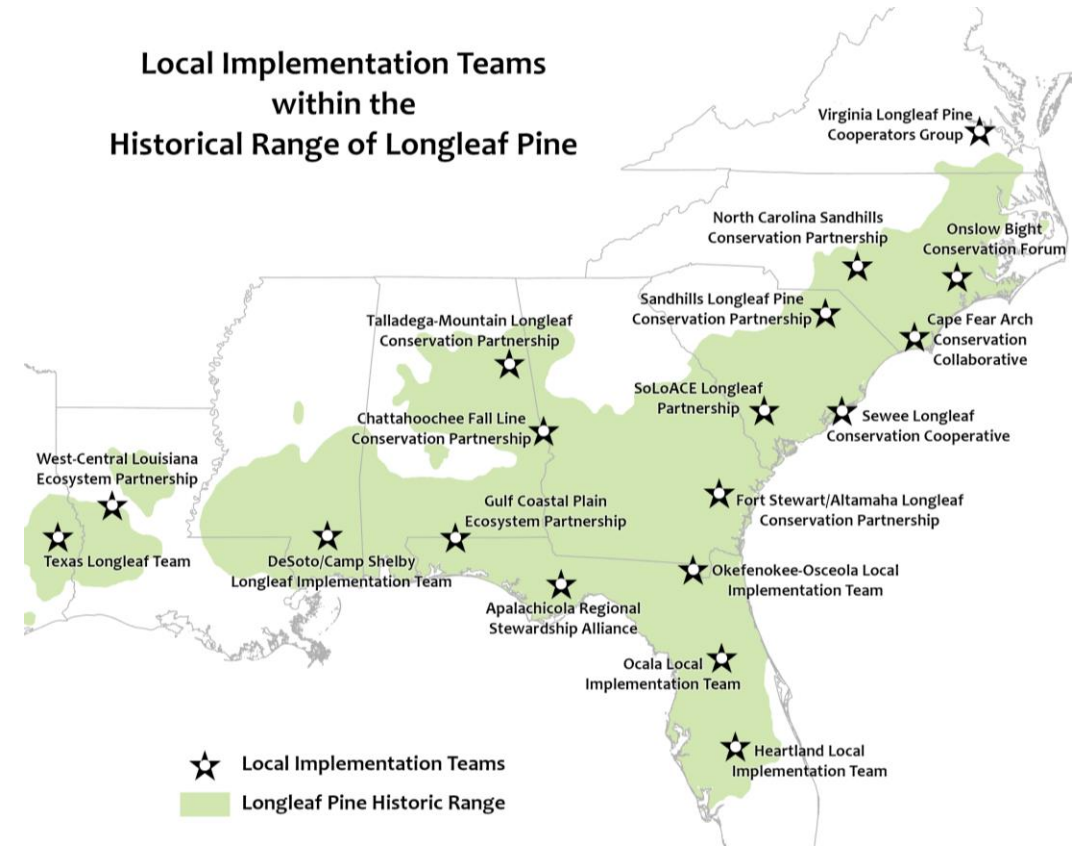Mississippi   North Carolina   South Carolina   Texas   Virginia

Lands eligible for funding include:

- Privately-owned lands
- State and local government lands
- Federal lands

Applicants must be one of the following*:

- Non-profit 501(c)
- State, tribal and local governments
- Academic institutions

*Federal agencies, for-profits and individual landowners cannot directly apply, but may partner on proposals

Local Implementation Teams within the Historical Range of Longleaf Pine

★ Local Implementation Teams
▨ Longleaf Pine Historic Range

Longleaf Landscape Stewardship Fund Program Boundary

Program Priorities

Gopher tortoise

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Longleaf Forests and Rivers Business Plan

10-Year Business Plan Goals

Red-cockaded woodpecker

Increase # of Breeding Groups

Bachman's sparrow

Sustain Acres of Habitat Occupied

Gopher tortoise

Increase # of Viable Populations

Northern bobwhite quail
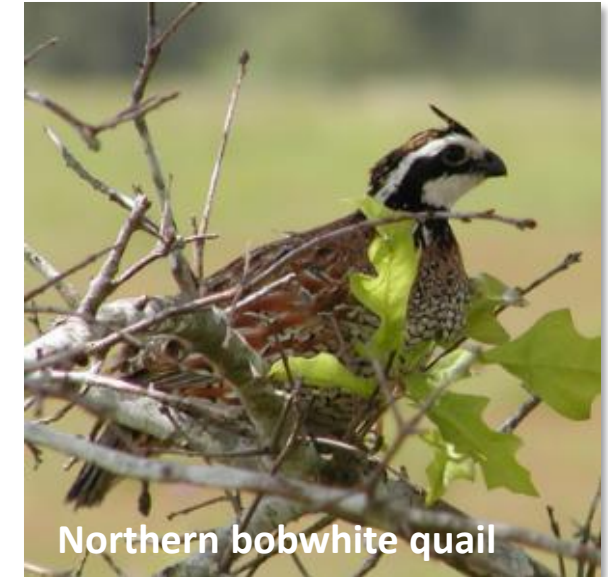
Establish Focal Areas and Population Goals

Download plan here: https://www.nfwf.org/longleaf/Documents/longleaf-forests-rivers-business-plan.pdf

10-Year Program Metric Targets

Metric	10 Year Goal
Establish new acres of longleaf	375,000 acres
Enhance and maintain existing longleaf habitat (excluding prescribed fire)	300,000 acres
Enhance and maintain existing longleaf pine habitat with prescribed fire	4,500,000 acres
Protect high priority existing longleaf habitat or sites identified for longleaf restoration	50,000 acres
Engage private landowners through outreach and technical assistance to implement conservation practices on their lands	50,000 landowners engaged
	5,000 landowners taking action

2025 RFP Goals:

- ✓ 75,000 acres of planting (longleaf)
- ✓ 45 million seedlings
- ✓ 500,000 acres prescribed burning
- ✓ 50,000 acres of longleaf enhanced (mid-story control, invasives, etc.)
- ✓ 5,000 acres protected
- ✓ 5,000 landowners engaged
- ✓ 500 landowners taking action

2025 RFP Priorities

1. Establishing and Restoring Longleaf Pine and Bottomland Hardwoods

2. Enhancing and Maintaining Existing Longleaf Pine and Bottomland Hardwood Forests

3. Silvopasture/Beef Cattle Grazing in Longleaf Pine

4. Expanding and Coordinating Technical Assistance and Outreach

5. Building Capacity for Landscape-Scale Planning, Coordination and Implementation

6. Accelerating Species Recovery and Response Monitoring

7. Conservation Easements and Fee-Simple Acquisitions

1. Establishing Longleaf Pine and Bottomland Hardwood Forests

o Reforestation/afforestation

- ➢ Site preparation, seedlings and labor are eligible expenses

- ➢ Proposals should address:

    - ✓ all necessary site preparation for planting

    - ✓ number of acres and seedlings that will be planted

    - ✓ timing of when planting is expected to be completed

    - ✓ summarize plans to manage planted stands

o Treatments to convert existing forest stands to longleaf dominant*

- ➢ Thinning and/or removal of other pine and hardwood species

- ➢ Herbicide applications

Planting crew | Credit: Matt Ezekiel

*Longleaf dominated forests includes both longleaf pine forest type (pine ≥ 50% of live tree stocking and longleaf pine is most common pine species) and mixed longleaf pine-oak forest (pine 25-50% of live tree stocking and longleaf pine is most common pine species).

1. Establishing Longleaf Pine and Bottomland Hardwood Forests

o Addressing barriers to scaling-up of planting

  ➢ Scaling- up may include:

    ✓ Improved coordination between planting stakeholders

    ✓ Seed collection, processing, and storage

    ✓ Seedling propagation, improvement, and production

    ✓ Planting workforce development

    ✓ Monitoring planting survival and growth

o Preference for projects that will address barriers and complete plantings during the project period of performance

2. Enhancing and Maintaining Existing Longleaf Pine and Bottomland Hardwood Ecosystems

Eligible strategies to enhance and maintain existing forest habitat include:

For Longleaf Pine

Prescribed Fire:

o Increase prescribed fire capacity, coordination and collaboration through fire teams, prescribed burn associations, etc.

o Provide technical assistance, training and/or other incentives to increase prescribed burning on private lands

  ➤ Forest management plans, burn plans

  ➤ Implementation of Farm Bill and other government funded contracts for prescribed burning

o Identify and address specific barriers or roadblocks to Rx fire implementation

2. Enhancing and Maintaining Existing Longleaf Pine and Bottomland Hardwood Ecosystems (cont.)

Eligible strategies to enhance and maintain existing forest habitat include:

For Longleaf Pine (cont.)

Forest Stand Improvement and Other Practices:

- o   Thinning, invasive species control, mechanical and/or chemical treatments

Restoring and Improving Native Groundcover

- o   Planting native groundcover species on public and private lands

- o   Thinning, other treatments to open forest canopy

For Bottomland Hardwoods

- o   Invasive species control, pre-commercial thinning, additional underplanting as necessary

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3. Silvopasture/Beef Cattle Grazing in Longleaf Pine

Projects that provide technical and/or financial assistance to landowners to integrate beef cattle grazing within longleaf pine forests

Projects may include:

- o Planting longleaf in pastures

- o Integrating cattle into existing longleaf forests*

Preference for projects that balance grazing and stocking rates with wildlife habitat management and maintenance of native understory vegetation

Funds may not be used to purchase cattle or for building maintenance and construction

4. Expanding and Coordinating Technical Assistance and Outreach

Projects that implement targeted outreach and assistance to measurably increase private landowner and/or producer participation in conservation practices

- Increase outreach and technical assistance delivery success:

  - Capacity ("boots on-the-ground") to provide technical assistance, develop management plans, and assist with implementation of restoration and management treatments

  - Targeted outreach, including use of innovative methods to engage private landowners or producers and expand on-the-ground restoration and protection activities on private lands

  - Investments to improve forest and wildlife practitioners' and landowners' technical knowledge through peer-to-peer learning, workshops, field days and other training opportunities.

  - Strongly encourage collaboration with NRCS, FWS and other entities that provide financial assistance

* USDA definitions for Historically Underserved and Special Emphasis
https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/getting-assistance/underserved-farmers-ranchers
https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/conservation-by-state/connecticut/what-are-special-emphasis-groups

USDA NRCS Priorities

- Bolstering enrollment into the Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP), Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP), and Conservation Reserve Program (CRP).

- Promoting, designing, and implementing **forestry conservation practices** and reducing the Farm Bill practice contracting and implementation backlog.

- Increase conservation program participation and practice adoption among USDA defined **Historically Underserved** and **Special Emphasis** farmers, ranchers, and forestland owners* are strongly encouraged.

Note: A portion of available NRCS funding is designated for the following states:
- **Alabama**
- **Mississippi**
  - *Including RCPP TA funding*
- **South Carolina**

4. Expanding and Coordinating Technical Assistance and Outreach (cont.)

o Advancing new market-oriented and/or incentive programs

➤ Stimulate landowner implementation of habitat restoration and management practices

❖ Example: piloting ecosystem service payments to support restoration and/or management practices that improve wildlife habitat, carbon sequestration and/or water quality and/or quantity outcomes.

❖ Example: partner with Farm Service Agency to develop a longleaf focused Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program (CREP) to provide landowners with higher annual land rental rates and/or added incentive payments

o Increase participation in third-party forest certification programs

➤ Encourage third-party verification of sustainable forest management practices for longleaf pine ecosystem, bottomland hardwood forests, and associated wildlife.

5. Building Capacity for Landscape-Scale Planning, Coordination and Implementation

o Support of a Local Implementation Team (LIT) coordinator position to provide coordination across all Significant Geographic Area (SGA) partners, priorities and activities, and accelerate the achievement of longleaf restoration and maintenance goals for the defined region.

- Funding for LIT coordinators is currently limited to those LITs working within an SGA.

o Spatial prioritization of restoration efforts, including integration of existing longleaf geospatial datasets including the **Longleaf Ecosystem Occurrence Geodatabase** and **Longleaf Sustainability Analysis**.

o Project-level geospatial data collection and/or creation to track and report project outcomes and support project habitat and species monitoring efforts.

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6. Accelerating Species Recovery

o Limited funding is available to support species-specific restoration and management activities to aid recovery of longleaf ecosystem-dependent species.

o Preference will be given to projects that contribute to the species outcomes outlined in the Longleaf Forests and Rivers business plan for red-cockaded woodpecker (RCW), gopher tortoise, Bachman's sparrow, and northern bobwhite

o Projects aiding in the recovery of populations of other forest dependent wildlife species that are indicators of healthy forest ecosystems will also be considered

　　o Includes, but not limited to: swallow-tailed kite, red-headed woodpecker, brown-headed nuthatch, eastern diamondback rattlesnake, eastern indigo snake, wild turkey, flatwoods salamander (spp.), bats, and pollinators.

o Species response monitoring

Monitoring red-cockaded woodpecker cavities

Red-cockaded woodpecker

Gopher tortoise

7. Conservation Easements and Fee-Simple Acquisitions

o Capacity to assist landowners and cultivate land protection projects

o Due-diligence costs, such as:

  ✓ boundary survey

  ✓ appraisal

  ✓ environmental report (ex. Phase I)

  ✓ legal fees

o Funding may not be used for stewardship endowments

o Will consider high leverage projects for acquisition costs on a case-by-case basis – applicants must contact NFWF to discuss prior to submission

o Land conservation should be included as a component of a broader proposal that also includes habitat restoration or management
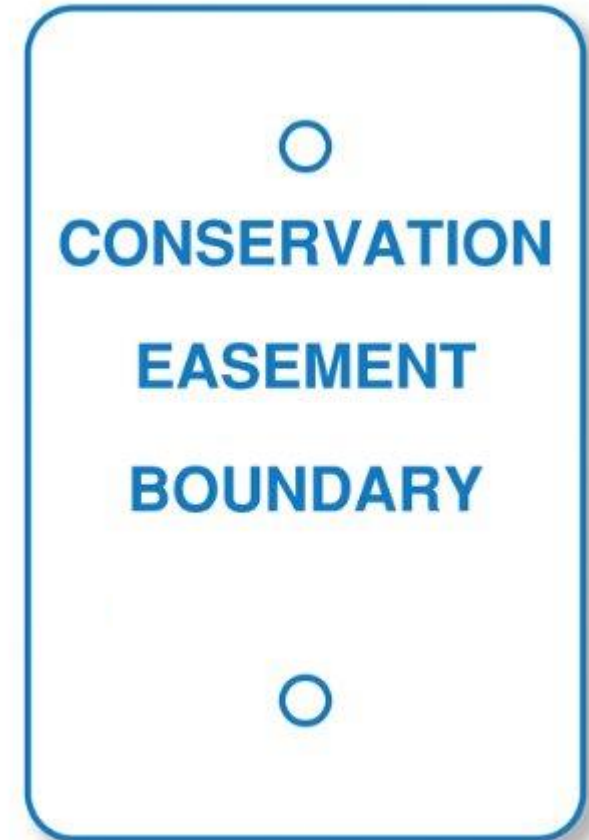
Post-Storm Recovery and Restoration

Projects may include funding to help with recovery from hurricanes Helene and Milton by:

o Removing downed trees and debris to reduce hazardous fuel loads and enable prescribed burning

o Replanting longleaf lost in the storms

o Replanting with longleaf in areas suitable for longleaf that lost other tree species during the storms

o Helping landowners access funding and/or complement funding through the USDA's Emergency Forest Restoration Program

o Installing artificial nest boxes for red-cockaded woodpeckers and other species-specific management activities to stabilize populations

Photo credit: Randy Tate

Program Priorities: Co-Benefits & Community Impact & Engagement

In pursuit of habitat and species restoration goals, applicants are encouraged to prioritize projects that also address co-benefits and engage local communities and historically underserved landowners as outlined below:

o **Conservation Co-Benefits:** Projects that will implement habitat restoration or improvement practices that benefit wildlife while also sequestering carbon and/or protecting and improving water quantity or quality are encouraged. Note, there is strong funder interest in tree planting projects.

Note: NFWF intends to calculate the estimated carbon benefits associated with any given project. These calculations will not be used for carbon credits, but rather for narrative and demonstration of the potential carbon value of any project and conservation practice(s) supported through this program.

o **Community Impact and Engagement:** Projects that incorporate outreach to communities, foster community engagement, and pursue collaborative management leading to measurable conservation benefits are encouraged.

o Projects that specifically seek to engage minority, historically underserved and unserved landowners, as well as minority professionals in the field of forestry and longleaf restoration, are encouraged to review the **Longleaf for All Barriers and Recommendations** document:

https://americaslongleaf.org/media/lodpan4n/longleaf-for-all_recommendations.pdf

How to Apply in Easygrants

Northern bobwhite

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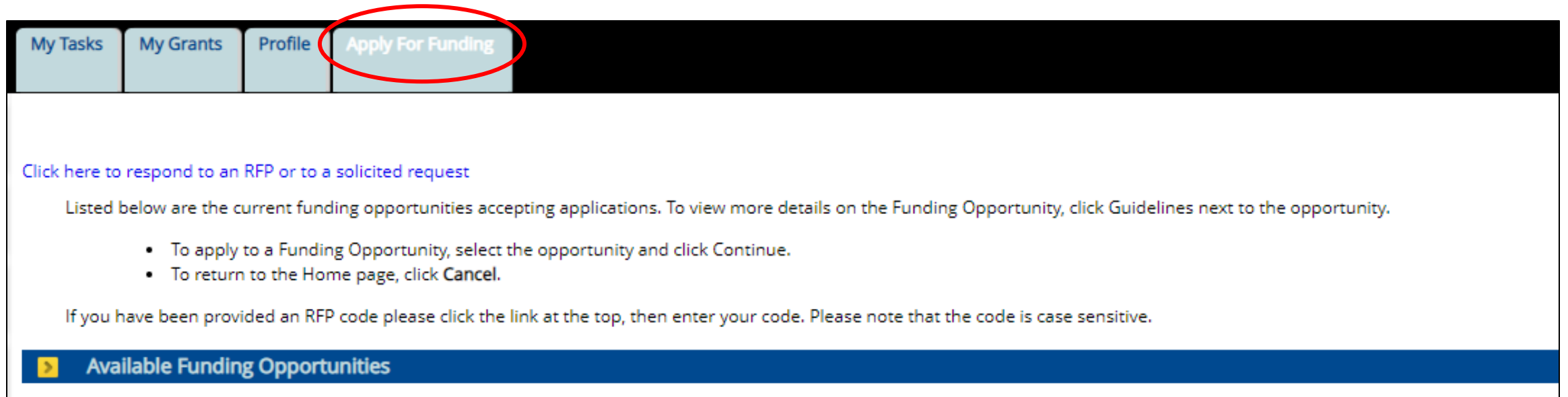
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Project Information

Title: Short, descriptive name indicating project purpose. (~100 characters)

Project start and end dates: Start within <u>six months</u> of the award announcement date and end within <u>24-48 months</u> of the start date.

Description: Two sentences about primary project activities, location, outcome/metrics and relevance to conservation. (~500 characters)
- Clearly state the main activity and the method being used
- Address a specific habitat, location or species benefitted

Abstract: More detailed description including location, major activities, outcome/metrics, and partners. (~1,500 characters)
- State what your organization will do
- Provide context and background information
- Explain how the project outcomes will specifically address a conservation issue

Map

Map your project at the finest scale by any of the three options:

Upload Shapefile

- Select a Zip file(.zip) containing a shapefile(.shp,.dbf,.prj) from your local file system.
- The shapefile must be of POLYGON geometry type.
- The shapefile must not exceed 1 MB.

Choose File | No file chosen

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Draw a Custom Area

My project area:

Submit Project Location

☐ Submitted Project Locations
☐ Pending Project Locations

☐ I confirm that this project has been mapped as accurately as possible

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Uploads

Upload Checklist

Upload Type	Required	Template
LLSF Full Proposal Template 2024	Yes	LLSF Full Proposal Narrative Template 2024
Project Map	Yes	
LLSF DOD Questionnaire 2024	No	LLSF DOD Questionnaire 2024
Letters of Support	Yes	
Photos - Jpeg	No	

Longleaf Landscape Stewardship Fund 2025 Request for Proposals

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Applicant Webinar (**Register Here**): December 11, 2024, 3:00 PM–4:30 PM Eastern Time

Full Proposal Due Date: **February 5, 2025, by 11:59 PM Eastern Time**

Related Content

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2025 Resources

Federal and State Agency Contacts

DoD Questionnaire

- Required for any projects on public or private lands that are adjacent to or near a military installation (i.e. may directly or indirectly benefit an installation).

- Must be completed and signed by the installation's natural resources staff.

- Questions? Contact NFWF

The full list of required financial uploads for your organization type is available on the NFWF website here:
https://www.nfwf.org/apply-grant/application-information/required-financial-documents

Uploads - Applicant Demographic Information Form

- **The information you provide will <u>not</u> be shared with proposal reviewers and will <u>not</u> be considered when making grant decisions.**

- The Foundation will <u>not</u> share identifying information about any particular entity or project.

- While the form is a required upload, applicants can opt out of providing the information within the form itself
  - If your organization does not collect this information or if you have provided NFWF with this information in the last 12 months, you can opt out.

- The information provided on this excel form will be kept confidential, the Foundation may share its anonymized aggregate findings as appropriate with its staff, Board of Directors, funding partners, and publicly on its website or through other media.

Narrative

- **Activities:** Elaborate on the primary activities that will be employed through the grant. Explain how these activities are expected to lead to the outcome(s). Describe how these activities relate to established plans (management, conservation, recovery, etc.) and priority conservation needs in the specific project location.

- **Threats and/or Opportunities:** Describe the threats that this project seeks to address in achieving large-scale conservation of the longleaf pine ecosystem, as well as bottomland hardwoods, if applicable. Highlight the opportunities that this project will create in sustaining restoration and protection efforts in the geographic area in which the project will occur.

- **Outcome(s):** Elaborate on the outcome(s) summarized previously in the application; discuss what makes this outcome(s) achievable and important.

- **Implementation Strategy(ies) and Activities:** Detail the strategies and activities that will be implemented to achieve the goals of the project.

- **Tracking Metrics:** Indicate how the project will monitor/assess progress on the metrics selected previously in the application. Please note any challenges or limitations anticipated with tracking the metrics.

- **Benefits to Priority Species and Conservation Co-Benefits:** Describe how the restoration work proposed will benefit listed, at-risk and/or other wildlife species that are representative of healthy woodland/savanna forest and freshwater habitats.

- **Project Sustainability:** Describe how the project will be maintained to ensure specific ecosystem benefits are achieved and sustained over time.

Most Competitive Narrative Elements:
- ☐ Program Goals and Priorities
- ☐ Technical Merit
- ☐ Partnership
- ☐ Transferability
- ☐ Communication
- ☐ Funding Need
- ☐ Conservation Plan and Context
- ☐ Monitoring
- ☐ Long-term Sustainability
- ☐ Past Success
- ☐ Key Personnel

Narrative - Community Impact

Describe the community(ies) where the project will take place, who will benefit from the project, and how they were or will be engaged in project development and implementation. Provide demographic information on the community(ies), including but not limited to age, race and ethnicity, poverty rates.

- Describe community characteristics of the project area and identify any communities impacted.

- Describe outreach and community engagement activities.

- Use demographic data to document (poverty statistics, school lunch data, demographic records to articulate high need or underserved communities).
  - This data can be found using:
    - **Census data**
    - **School District data**
    - **State data centers**
    - **EPA's Environmental Justice Screening and Mapping Tool (EJSCREEN)**
    - **other sources**
  - Reach out to us if you need help finding this data

Metrics

A list of available metrics is included in the request for proposals
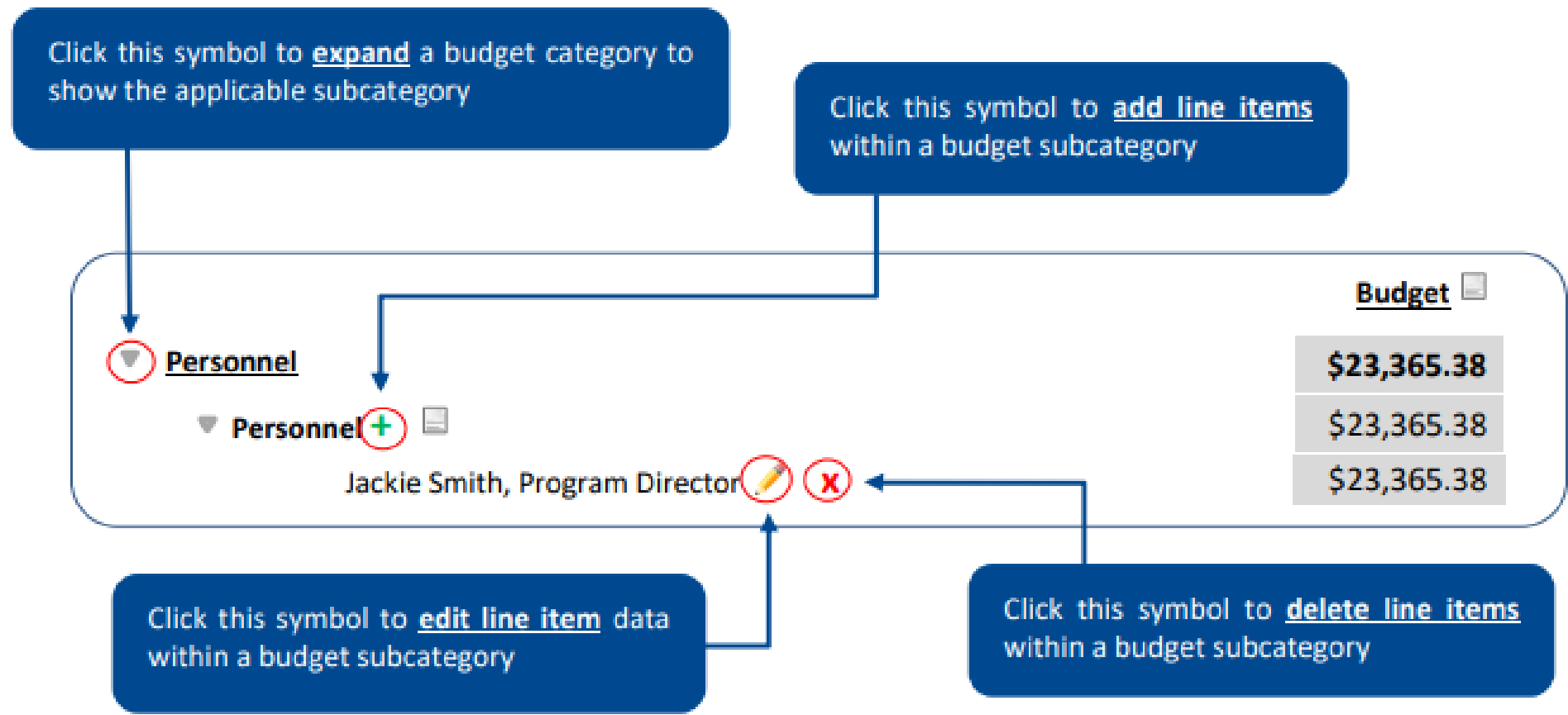
Budget

- If you do not anticipate an expense for a particular category, skip that category- it is not necessary to enter a "0" value in the cost fields.

- Try to anticipate factors that may affect the budget when developing projections and provide an explanation of those factors.

- Matching contributions should not be included in the budget.

Budget	Budget
Expand all	
➤ Personnel	$0.00
➤ Travel	$0.00
➤ Equipment	$0.00
➤ Materials and Supplies	$0.00
➤ Contractual Services	$0.00
➤ Other Direct Costs	$0.00
Total Direct Costs	$0.00
Total Indirect Costs	$0.00
Total Costs	$0.00

Budget

Click this symbol to **expand** a budget category to show the applicable subcategory

Click this symbol to **add line items** within a budget subcategory

Personnel

▼ Personnel ＋

Jackie Smith, Program Director ✏ ✖

Budget

$23,365.38

$23,365.38

$23,365.38

Click this symbol to **edit line item** data within a budget subcategory

Click this symbol to **delete line items** within a budget subcategory

Detailed Budget Instructions: Adding/Editing Narratives

- Narratives are **required** for all budgeted categories.
  - Explain/justify the estimated costs including the unit cost and quantity requested
  - Explain how the costs associated with each line item supports the implementation of the project as outlined in the proposal

- Narratives should be written in such a way that someone not familiar with the project can conceptually understand the **rationale**, **purpose** and **calculation** of the anticipated costs identified by line item.

- Narratives should be concise and describe line items in 1-3 sentences.

Budgets without narrative descriptions will be returned to the applicant for further details and clarification.

Click this symbol to add a narrative within a budget subcategory

Budget

Personnel — $23,365.38

Personnel + $23,365.38

Next, complete the narrative box as shown below:

Notes

Line Item Budget   Personnel
Budget   Jackie Smith will manage all aspects of the program which includes, surveys of the project site alongside field techs, landowner interviews and follow-ups, and supervision of volunteers during sponsored work days.

Save | Save and Close | Cancel

Detailed Budget Instructions

- The final expanded budget will appear as follows, showing the budget details.

- For further questions, contact Program Staff listed on the RFP.

	Budget
Personnel	**$23,365.38**
Personnel	$23,365.38
Jackie Smith, Program Manager	$23,365.38
Travel	**$512.00**
Domestic Airfare	$0.00
International Airfare	$0.00
Train- Per Ticket	$150.00
Two Round Trip Tickets to Project Site	$150.00
Rental Car- Per Day	$0.00
Taxis – Per Trip	$0.00
Mileage – Per Mile	$0.00
Gasoline – Per Gallon	$0.00
Per Diem (M&IE)	$0.00
Lodging – Per Night	$362.00
Washington, DC hotel for Kick Off & site visit	$375.00
Meals (No M&IE) – Per Meal	$0.00
Equipment	**$20,500.00**
Equipment	$20,500.00
Excavation Machine	$20,500.00
Materials and Supplies	**$525.00**
Materials and Supplies	$525.00
Native Grass Seed	$525.00
Contractual Services	**$60,042.00**
Contract – Per Agreement	$27,542.00
M.A.P. Consulting	$27,542.00
Subaward – Per Agreement	$32,500.00
ACME International, River Cleanup	$32,500.00
Other Direct Costs	**$17.00**
Other Direct Costs	$17.00
River cleanup event parking.	$17.00
Indirect Costs	**$5,841.34**
Indirect Costs	$5,841.34
Salaries & Benefits, 9/30/20, Provisional	$5,841.34
Total Direct Costs	**$104,961.38**
Total Indirect Costs	**$5,841.34**
Total Costs	**$110,802.72**

Subaward vs Contract

- **Contracts** results when a grantee procures a party to deliver a product or service for the benefit of the grantee

- **Subawards** transfer a portion of the programmatic work to another organization

- To qualify as a subaward, the subrecipient typically has responsibility for programmatic decision making and measurable performance requirements related directly to the prime award

Matching Contributions

Matching Contribution Editor ✕

▶ Instructions

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Review and Submit

- Make sure to click the blue **"Submit"** button to submit your proposal.

- If correctly submitted, you will receive a confirmation e-mail and the task will disappear from your homepage.

Compliance Requirements

- Single Audit Report (if applicable)

- Single Audit exemption letter (if applicable)

- GAAP Audited Financial Statement or Unaudited Financial Statements

- Current Indirect Cost Rate Agreement (NICRA)

- Completed Applicant Controls & Capabilities Questionnaire (ACQ)

- IRS 990 (if applicable)

- Budget & Budget Narrative

Best Compliance Practices

- Be current with single audits (if applicable)

- Provide completed ACQ

- Be current with Indirect Cost Rate Agreement (NICRA)

- Financial Management, Internal Controls, Policies & Procedures, Reporting, etc.

Brown-headed nuthatch

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Things to Keep in Mind…

- Please add budget narratives for every budget line item

- NFWF grants are paid out on a reimbursable basis

- Certain funding sources include compliance requirements and may require documentation prior to implementing ground-disturbing activities (ex. National Environmental Policy Act, Endangered Species Act, Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act)

- If you've never applied for a NFWF grant, we recommend:
  - Setting up an Easygrants login
  - Scheduling a call with NFWF staff to discuss your proposal

Resources

Conservation Plans and Data

NFWF Longleaf Forests and Rivers business plan:

- https://www.nfwf.org/sites/default/files/2019-12/longleaf-forests-rivers-business-plan.pdf

ALRI Range-Wide Plan for Longleaf Conservation:

- https://americaslongleaf.org/resources/range-wide-conservation-plan-for-longleaf-pine-2025-2040/

Longleaf for All Barriers and Recommendations:

- https://americaslongleaf.org/media/lodpan4n/longleaf-for-all_recommendations.pdf

Longleaf Pine Sustainability Analysis:

- https://www.fnai.org/species-communities/longleaf-lsa

Longleaf Pine Ecosystem Occurrence Geodatabase

- https://www.fnai.org/species-communities/southeast-longleaf

Resources

NFWF Application Guidance

RFP Webpage: https://www.nfwf.org/programs/longleaf-landscape-stewardship-fund/longleaf-landscape-stewardship-fund-2025-request

Required Financial Documents: http://www.nfwf.org/whatwedo/grants/applicants/Pages/required-financial-docs.aspx

Budget Instructions: http://www.nfwf.org/whatwedo/grants/applicants/Pages/budget-instructions.aspx

NFWF Indirect Policy: http://www.nfwf.org/whatwedo/grants/applicants/Pages/indirect-policy.aspx

NFWF Longleaf Mapping Portal:
https://geo.nfwf.org/portal/apps/experiencebuilder/experience/?id=fe1b527e09504b5382cce792c2ba667d

Mapping Tutorial: http://www.nfwf.org/whatwedo/grants/applicants/Pages/mapping-tool.aspx

EPA's EJSCREEN tool: https://www.epa.gov/ejscreen

Program Timeline

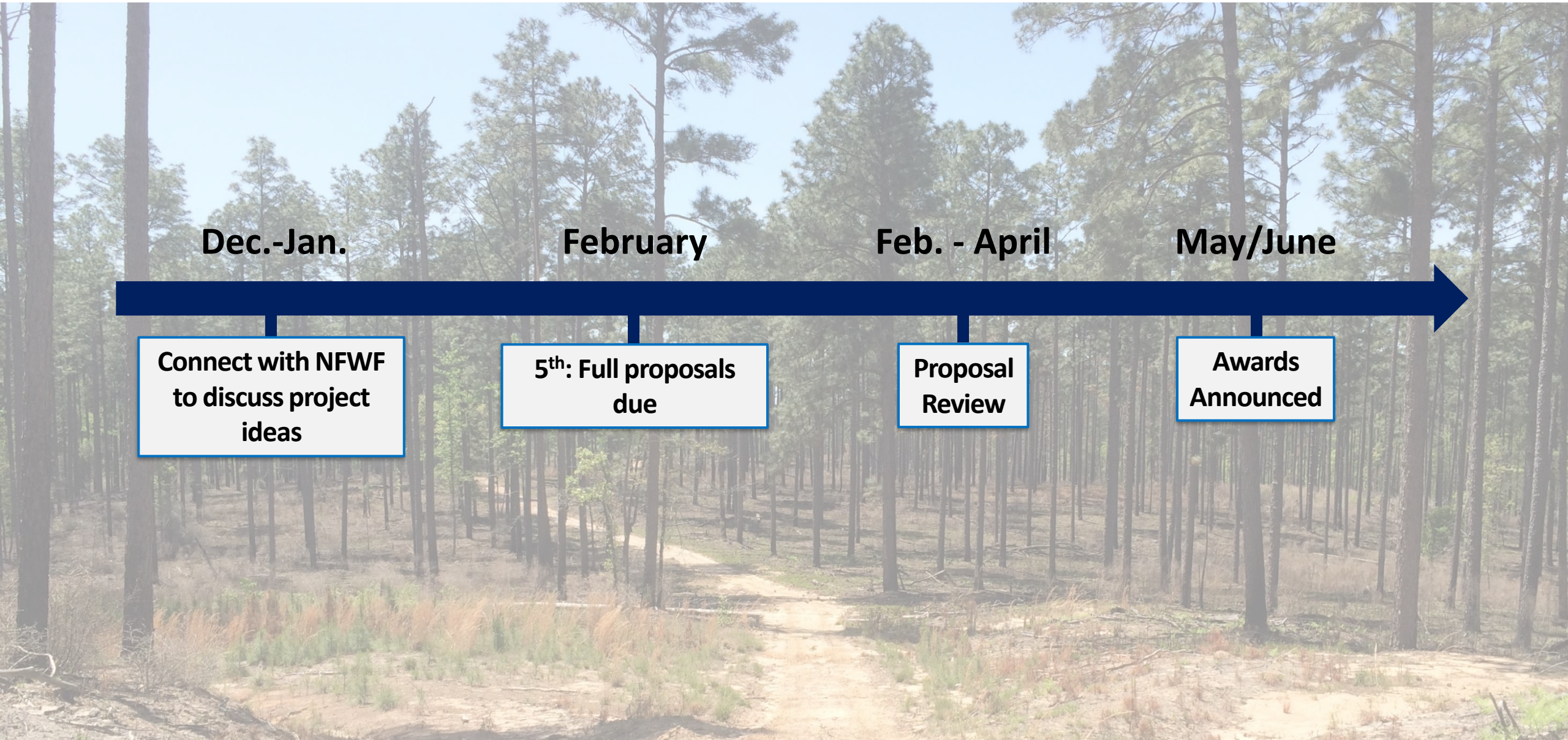**Dec.-Jan.** — Connect with NFWF to discuss project ideas

February — 5th: Full proposals due

Feb. - April — Proposal Review

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