



Key Messages

1. Forest Service program staff should always refer to their respective unit's G&A specialist early and often when negotiating an agreement. This matrix is intended as a high-level, summarized tool meant to help Forest Service program staff and partners view which authorities are available for ecological restoration.
2. This document is intended to be a quick reference guide. There are several exceptions and limitations involved with all of the authorities cited.
3. This matrix does not include all the instruments/ tools available to implement restoration.

ADDITIONAL NOTES

Stated Goals of Authority

- **Participating**
[1]Development of publications of cooperative environmental education and forest history materials.

Roads/Trails (Create, Maintain, or Decommission)

- **Stewardship**
[2]The construction of temporary roads for the purpose of completing a documented and approved restoration activity is allowed.
- **Participating**
[3]If the creation, maintenance, or decommissioning of a road directly affects a fish and wildlife habitat, then the use of Wyden to work on the road is allowable.
- **Good Neighbor**
[4]The construction of temporary roads for the purpose of completing a documented and approved restoration activity is allowed.

Max Time Horizon

- **Stewardship**
[5]Twenty-year agreements may be applicable in specified fire designated areas.

Forest Service Handbooks

- **Participating, Challenge Cost Share**
Forest Service Handbook 1509.11, Chapter 70
- **Good Neighbor, Stewardship**
Forest Service Handbook 1509.11, Chapter 80

Glossary and Terms

CF&D: Cooperative Funds and Deposits Act of 1975

NFS: National Forest System

P.L.: Public Law

*Stewardship will be moved to FSH1509.11, ch 80 shortly

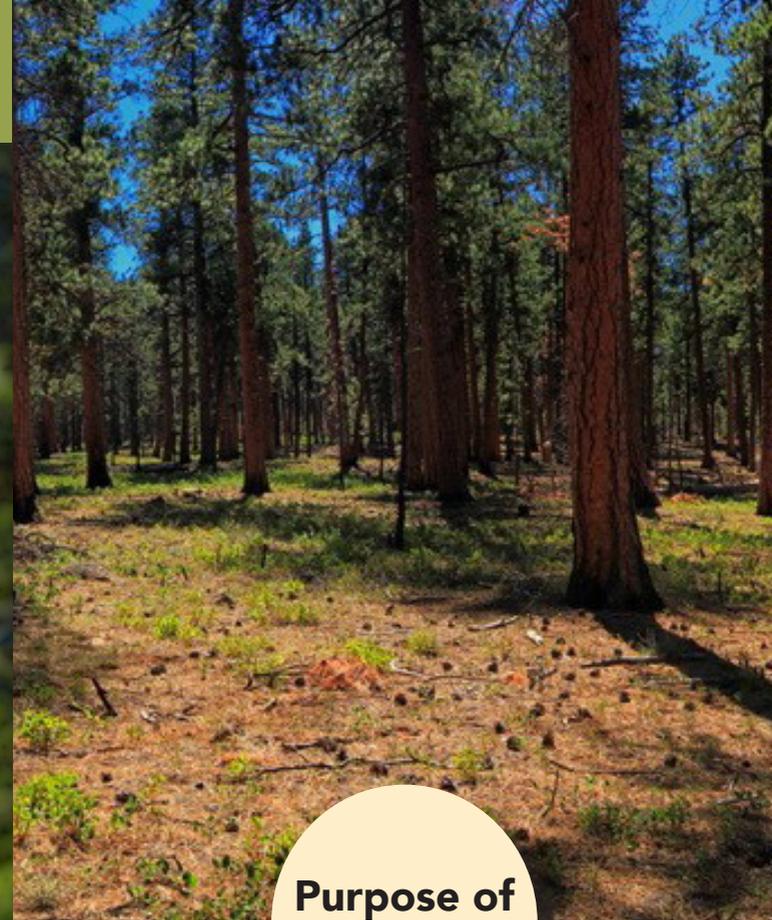
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GRANTS & AGREEMENTS ECOLOGICAL RESTORATION



Purpose of This Matrix

Assist USDA Forest Service program managers, grants & agreement (G&A) specialists, and external partners in quickly determining which authority might be the most useful mechanism to support the planning, implementation, and monitoring of a given ecological restoration activity or set of activities.

Front cover photo: Deschutes National Forest in Oregon. Photo by USDA Forest Service.

Gate photo: Flathead National Forest in Montana. Photo by USDA Forest Service.



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Agreement Type	Stewardship	Participating	Challenge Cost Share	Good Neighbor
Authorized by	Agricultural Act of 2014 Public Law (P.L.) 113-79	Cooperative Funds and Deposits Act of 1975 (CF&D) – P.L. 94-148 and/or Wyden Amendment (Wyden) – P.L. 109-54	Interior and Related Agencies Appropriations Act of 1992 P.L. 102-154	Agricultural Act of 2014 P.L. 113-79
Stated goals of authority	Allows the Forest Service to enter into agreements with qualifying non-Federal parties to meet restoration objectives that are of mutual interest and mutual benefit to both parties.	Allows the Forest Service to enter into cost share agreements with qualifying non-Federal parties that meet mutual interest and mutual benefit with the following activities under CF&D: 1. Cooperative pollution abatement 2. Cooperative manpower and job training 3. Development of publications ^{[1]*} 4. Forestry protection Wyden allows Forest Service to enter into agreements to protect, restore, or enhance fish and wildlife habitats, and other natural resources.	Allows the Forest Service to enter into cost share agreements with qualifying non-Federal parties that meet mutual interest and mutual benefit.	Allows Forest Service to enter into agreements with willing State agencies, counties and Tribes to perform authorized forest, rangeland, and watershed restoration services on National Forest System (NFS) lands.
Cost-sharing requirement	Yes, 20% or more of total project value excluding goods for services calculations.	Yes, 20% or more of total project value.	Yes, 20% or more of total project value.	Match is not a requirement but is encouraged.
Appropriate for ecological restoration activities				
<i>Project planning and surveys</i>	no	no	yes	yes
<i>Field preparation</i>	yes	no	yes	yes
<i>Monitoring</i>	no	no	yes	yes
<i>Mechanical (thinning, mastication, removal)</i>	yes	yes – CF&D	yes	yes
<i>Prescribed fire</i>	yes	yes – CF&D	yes	yes
<i>Pesticide/chemical treatments</i>	yes	yes – CF&D	yes	yes
<i>Revegetation</i>	yes	yes – CF&D	yes	yes
<i>Road/trails (create, maintain, decommission)</i>	yes ^{[2]*}	yes – Wyden ^{[3]*}	yes	yes ^{[4]*}
<i>Other watershed improvement activities</i>	yes	yes – CF&D	yes	yes
<i>Other fish and wildlife/habitat improvement activities</i>	yes	yes – Wyden and CF&D	yes	yes
Max time horizon	Up to 10 Years (with limitations) ^{[5]*}	5 years	5 years	10 years
Authorized sale of forest/commercial products to fund restoration services?	Yes, the Forest Service may apply the value of timber as an offset against cost of services performed.	no	no	yes
Payment types	Actual costs incurred by partner through exchange of timber value for cost of services or by reimbursement.	Actual costs incurred by partner can be paid in advance or reimbursed.	Actual costs incurred by partner, reimbursable only.	Actual costs incurred can be paid in advance or reimbursed. Revenue from sale of Forest Service timber by the State must be used for authorized restoration work on NFS land.
Where (NFS, State and Private Forestry, or both)?	On NFS lands Off NFS lands – Wyden	On NFS Lands – CF&D Off NFS Lands – Wyden	On NFS lands	On NFS lands Off NFS lands – Wyden (no revenue)
Who can implement (States, nonprofit, for profit, Tribes, or other)?	Any non-Federal entity	Any non-Federal entity	Any non-Federal entity	Affected State agencies, Puerto Rico, counties and Tribes.

*Additional Notes on the back cover