

Farm and Ranch Lands Protection Program

Cooperating Entity Guidelines for Application

Entity Information

(An entity or combination of entities submitting multiple parcels for consideration are only required to submit entity information once)

Primary Entity Information

(The entity that will be accepting the federal contribution)

Check if information is attached

Information Required (Required attachments in bold letters)

EVIDENCE OF AN ESTABLISHED FARMLAND PROTECTION PROGRAM
- State, Tribal, or local government statute
- Ordinance or non-governmental organization mission statement
EVIDENCE OF THE COMMITMENT, AUTHORITY AND DEMONSTRATED CAPABILITY TO HOLD, MANAGE, OR ENFORCE CONSERVATION EASEMENTS OR THEIR EQUIVALENT
- State, Tribal, or local government statute or ordinance or non-governmental organization mission statement
- List of easements held, managed, and enforced by the cooperating entity
EVIDENCE OF TITLE AND APPRAISAL POLICIES OR STANDARDS
- Appraisal summary (kind of appraisal, evaluation date, value summary) if available for parcel(s)
EVIDENCE OF STAFF CAPABILITY DEDICATED TO EASEMENT MONITORING AND STEWARDSHIP
- Number of easements held and managed
- Current staff available

	EVIDENCE OF THE AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS EQUAL TO AT LEAST 50% OF THE ESTIMATED FAIR MARKET VALUE OF THE CONSERVATION EASEMENT (including landowner donation) - State, Tribal, or local government appropriation or statement from non-government organization that funds are available
Pa	rcel (Farm) Information - National Data: Required
	ENTITY OR ENTITIES ASSOCIATED WITH PROTECTING THE PARCEL
	MAP OF PARCEL SHOWING PROPOSED PROTECTED AREA (attach map)
	CONTACT INFORMATION FOR PARCEL LANDOWNERS, AND CONTACT INFORMATION FOR FARM OPERATOR, IF DIFFERENT FROM OWNER
	PARCEL ADDRESS
	LOCATION MAP OF PARCEL (attach map)
	TRACT AND FARM NUMBER ASSIGNED BY USDA SERVICE CENTER (if available)

PEI	NDING OFFER FOR PARCEL (attach signed, written offer)
	AP, ACRES, AND TABLE OF PRIME, UNIQUE, OR STATEWIDE OR LOCALLY IMPORTANT R PARCEL (attach map and table)
	TORICAL OR ARCHAEOLOGICAL RESOURCES PROPOSED TO BE PROTECTED (National te Registered)
-	Brief description of site's significance
-	Documentation of site's listing on federal, Tribal, or state register
-	Listing document that describes significance of site (must be included to compare with cooperating entity's ability to manage and enforce easement for historic preservation site) one of three eligibility criteria (attach listing document)
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ACRES OF INCIDEN	TAL LAND (including farmstead and non-forested wetland)
	OCATION OF OTHER PROTECTED PARCELS IN RELATION TO LAND ED TO BE PROTECTED (attach map)
	E OF EASEMENT OF PARCEL (should equal sum of estimated , contribution, landowner donation, and federal contribution)
STIMATED CONT	RIBUTION BY COOPERATING ENTITY (dollars) (must beat least 2
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INDICATION OF EXISTING AGRICULTURAL INFRASTRUCTURE, ON- AND OFF-FARM
STATEMENT REGARDING LEVEL OF THREAT FROM URBAN DEVELOPMENT FOR PARCEL
PERCENT IMPERVIOUS SURFACE
PERCENT IMPERVIOUS SURFACE REQUESTED (limited to 2% of easement area without a approved waiver procedure)
DESIRE OF LANDOWNERS TO SUBDIVIDE EACH PARCEL (subdivision in FRPP is generally prohibited)
 Parcels for which landowners know the exact locations and dimensions of subdivided parcels should submit parcels as separate parcels to be ranked at subdivided size
- If landowner wants option to subdivide at a date after application is submitted, permission must be written into conservation easement deed
- Size of subdivided parcels must be economically viable size for a farm

Information Required by NRCS State Office for Ranking Factors

SPECIA	L SCENIC, SOCIAL, OR ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITIES OF THE FARM (describe)
	ICE OF TOWN COMMITMENT TO AGRICULTURE (planning and zoning regulations, ort from elected official, etc.)
EVIDEN	ICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARD REVIEW OR CLEAN TITLE (if completed)
FSTIM <i>I</i>	TE OF CLOSING DATE (must be completed in 18 months or less)