



**Subject:** ACEP-ALE Increase in Federal Share Modification Request **Date:**

**To:** **File Code:** 300

**Background:** Conservation Program Manual (CPM) 440.528.51(A)(6)(ii) states if the final approved fair market value of the agricultural land easement and non-Federal share provided by the eligible entity supports a Federal share amount that is higher than the original estimate, the State Conservationist (STC) has discretion to increase the amount of the Federal share for the individual parcel up to the maximum allowable ACEP-ALE cost-share amount per CPM 440.528.43 (A). Pursuant to the terms of the ALE-agreement, NRCS is under no obligation to increase the Federal share above the original estimated amount. The STC may only authorize an increase in the Federal share amount for an individual parcel that is within the scope of the original ACEP-ALE agreement and if there are sufficient funds available in the current government fiscal year (FY), which is October 1 - September 30.

**Explanation:** NRCS recognizes that ACEP-ALE participants procure appraisals throughout the year. In an effort to support existing projects, NRCS-WA intends to reserve 10% of the FY ACEP-ALE allocation for instances such as increases in appraised values; if requests exceed the amount reserved, NRCS may request additional funds from NRCS National Headquarters, although not guaranteed. Requests will be accepted continuously throughout the calendar year. However, requests will be batched and evaluated prior to new parcel application batching, and again after parcel contract obligations for that FY. NRCS-WA requests that any federal share modification requests be submitted by the participant to [NRCS.WA.Easements@usda.gov](mailto:NRCS.WA.Easements@usda.gov), by November 1 for STC review and consideration. Requests will be evaluated and executed on a first come first serve basis.

<b>Participant:</b>	<b>Easement Program:</b>
<b>Landowner(s):</b>	<b>Contracted Federal Share:</b>
<b>Program Agreement:</b>	<b>Appraised Fair Market Value:</b>
<b>Parcel Contract:</b>	<b>New Total Federal Share Request:</b>
<b>Appraisal Completion Date:</b>	<b>Additional Federal Share Requested:</b>
<b>Appraisal Technical Review Date (NRCS):</b>	
<b>Appraised Acres:</b>	

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**APPROVED      DENIED      STC Note, if applicable:**

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**[COMPLETED BY PARTICIPANT]**  
**INSERT APPRAISAL VALUATION/  
ACQUISITION ANALYSIS PAGE  
HERE**

**[COMPLETED BY NRCS]**  
**INSERT NRCS FUNDS**  
**AVAILABILITY VERIFICATION**  
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**HERE PRIOR TO DECISION**  
**MEMO EXECUTION**



**[COMPLETED BY NRCS]**  
**INSERT PARTICIPANT REQUEST  
FOR INCREASE IN FEDERAL SHARE  
MODIFICATION HERE (EMAIL OR  
LETTERHEAD)**

**[COMPLETED BY NRCS]**  
**INSERT NRCS DELEGATION OF**  
**AUTHORITY HERE (IF APPLICABLE)**

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**CPA-1155, CPA-1266, OR**  
**ATTACHMENT A (COOPERATIVE**  
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