

# WFPO Federal Cost-Sharing

## Title 390 – National Watershed Program Manual

### 500.43 Relocation Payments

Relocation payments will be cost-shared in the same manner and to the same extent as other program or project costs in accordance with cost-share rates of assistance established for the purpose of the project measure that would cause the displacement. These payments are authorized by Public Law 91-646.

**Figure 500-E1: Federal Cost-Sharing Percentage Provisions for Conservation Easements and Mitigation of Fish and Wildlife Habitat Losses**

Purpose	Engineering / Technical Assistance	Real Property Rights
Conservation Easements Wetland or Floodplain	Not less than 50 percent	Not less than 50 percent
Mitigation of Fish and Wildlife Habitat Losses	No more than 50 percent	No more than 50 percent

The above provisions apply to acquisition of real property rights by purchase or easements. Measures that will be installed on the land acquired or placed under easements must be cost- shared at rates determined by the measure purpose, as shown in figure 500-E2.

**Figure 500-E2: Federal Cost-Sharing Percentage Provisions by Purpose**

Purpose	Installation / Construction	Engineering /Technical Assistance	Real Property Rights
<b>Flood Prevention</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Works of Improvement</li> </ul>	100 <sup>1</sup> percent	100 <sup>1</sup> percent	0
<b>Watershed Protection</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Flood Control</li> <li>• Erosion and Sedimentation Reduction</li> <li>• Water Quality</li> <li>• Water Conservation</li> <li>• Wildlife Habitat</li> <li>• Woodland</li> <li>• Energy</li> <li>• Recreation Resources</li> </ul>	Variable <sup>2</sup>	100 percent	0

<b>Public Fish and Wildlife or Public Recreational Development</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Works of Improvement</li> <li>• Recreation Minimum Basic Facilities</li> </ul>	No more than 50 <sup>1</sup> percent  No more than 50 <sup>1</sup> percent	100 <sup>1</sup> percent	No more than 50 <sup>1</sup> percent  No more than 50 <sup>1</sup> percent
<b>Agricultural Water Management</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Drainage</li> <li>• Irrigation</li> <li>• Ground Water Recharge</li> <li>• Agricultural Water Supply Structure</li> <li>• Water Conservation</li> <li>• Water Quality</li> </ul>	Up to 75 <sup>3</sup> percent	Up to 100 percent	0
<b>Municipal and Industrial Water Supply</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reservoir Structure</li> </ul>	No more than 50 <sup>1,4,6</sup> percent	0	0
<b>Water Quality Management</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reservoir Storage</li> </ul>	To be determined <sup>6</sup>	Up to 100 percent	0
<b>Rehabilitation</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dams</li> </ul>	No more than 100 <sup>1,5</sup> percent	No more than 100 <sup>1</sup> percent	0

<sup>1</sup>Specific rate established in the statute.

<sup>2</sup>Federal funding assistance must not exceed the rate of assistance or funding limitations to program participants for similar practices under other existing NRCS conservation programs at the time the long-term contract is signed by the contracting officer.

<sup>3</sup>Federal funding assistance must not exceed the rate of assistance for measures installed for similar purposes under other existing Federal programs.

<sup>4</sup>For cost of storage for current water supply demands. Assistance for storage for future demands is limited to loans.

<sup>5</sup>Cost-share must be up to 65 percent of total eligible dam rehabilitation costs or up to 100 percent of construction costs (including required (in-kind or decent/safe/sanitary) relocation costs), whichever is less.

<sup>6</sup>Rate must be set at the discretion of the Secretary.