

## Project Eligibility Requirements

To be eligible for Idaho's Forest Legacy Program, submitted applications must meet **all** of the following requirements:

1. Project must meet one or more of Idaho's FLP goals.
2. Project must be within an Idaho Priority Landscape Area as identified in FAP.
3. Project must be sponsored by a state agency or a land trust organization.
4. Project must be privately owned (non-federal, State, or local government).
5. Project must be at least five (5) acres in size.
6. Project must include a minimum 25% cash or in-kind, non-federal match. The FLP will fund up to 75% of total program costs (acquisition costs plus other allowable expenses). A landowner that does not meet the match percentage as stated in their application by the closing date of a Forest Legacy acquisition will not be eligible to receive funding until the non-federal match has been met.
7. Project must be 75% forestland (defined as land with trees that has at least 10% canopy cover or formally had such tree cover and is not currently developed for non-forest use).
8. Landowners agree to follow federal FLP requirements and implementation rules including:
  - a. Accepting an appraisal that meets standard federal appraisal guidelines.
  - b. Managing the property by means of a Landowner Forest Stewardship Plan (LFSP) approved through the Idaho Forest Stewardship Program.
  - c. Signing a perpetual conservation easement with the State of Idaho, with the stated purposes of maintaining, enhancing, and/or conserving in perpetuity the forestland and conservation values of the property.
  - d. Allowing annual monitoring for conservation easement (CE) compliance.