

Collaborative Forest Landscape Restoration Act



Collaborative Forest Landscape Restoration Program

Established by Congress, under Title IV of Omnibus
Public Land Management Act of 2009

To encourage the collaborative, science-based
ecosystem restoration of priority forest landscapes.



Forest Landscape Restoration



- ✓ New agency policy on restoration
- ✓ Focus on restoration and increasing resilience
- ✓ Implementing restoration through active land management



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- Law established the CFLR Fund providing funding authority for requests by the Secretary of Agriculture of up to \$40,000,000 annually for fiscal years 2009 through 2019.
- Up to 50% of the cost of carrying out and monitoring ecological restoration treatments on National Forest System land for each selected proposal





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Working collaboratively with community and local landowners

Implementation of activities that encourage ecological, economic, and social sustainability

Landscape scale strategy: greater than 20,000 hectares

Restoration treatments planned over a 10-year period





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- ✓ Reduction of future wildfire impacts
- ✓ Use of forest restoration by-products to contribute to local economy
- ✓ Nominated projects are reviewed and recommended by a public advisory committee.



Selected Projects 2010

Selway-Middle Fork Clearwater	Idaho
Southwestern Crown of the Continent	Montana
Colorado Front Range	Colorado
Uncompahgre Plateau	Colorado
4 Forest Restoration Initiative	Arizona
Southwest Jemez Mountains	New Mexico
The Dinkey Landscape Restoration Project	California
Deschutes Skyline	Oregon
Tapash	Washington
Accelerating Longleaf Pine Restoration	Florida

* Each funded at \$400-1.6 million



Selected Projects 2010



Selway–Middle Fork Clearwater Project Idaho



- 600,000 ha landscape
- Decommission roads
- Replace culverts to restore fish passage
- Prescribed burning
- Treatment of invasive plants



Southwest Jemez Mountains Project New Mexico



- 85,000 ha landscape
- Thinning 35,000 ha
- Restoring uneven-aged forests
- Controlling invasive plants
- Road and trail decommissioning
- Reintroduction of native fish



Accelerating Longleaf Pine Restoration Project Florida



- 9,500 treatment hectares
- Restoring historic ecosystems
- Prescribed fire
- Decommissioning trails and roads



“Our shared vision begins with restoration. Restoration means managing forest lands first and foremost to protect our water resources, while making our forests more resilient to climate change.”



Tom Vilsack
USDA Secretary,

“We will increase our focus on restoration of our forest and grassland ecosystems; restoration to increase resilience to ensure these systems are able to adapt to changes in climate.”



Tom Tidwell
Forest Service Chief



<http://www.fs.fed.us/restoration/CFLR/index.shtml>

