

## FLORIDA WILDLIFE CORRIDOR PAYMENTS FOR ECOSYSTEM SERVICES PILOT PROGRAM APPLICATION

### Introduction

The Florida Wildlife Corridor Foundation's (FWCF) Florida Wildlife Corridor Payment for Ecosystem Services Pilot Program will compensate private landowners for the provision of certain ecosystem services on their lands.

### Eligible Applicants

#### Location and Size of Property

Private landowners who have landholdings located within the Military Influence Planning Area (MIPA) or Noise Exposure Contours of the Avon Part Air Force Range and also are located within Florida Wildlife Corridor Opportunity Areas (Area of Interest) are eligible to apply. Landowners may apply to enroll a parcel or parcels of any size.

#### Entity Type

Individual, for profit or not-for-profit private landowners are eligible to apply. Avoidance of conflict of interest or the appearance of conflict of interest is required. As the intent is to expand preserved areas, lands that are under a current conservation easement are not eligible to apply.

#### Ecosystem Service Levels and Prices

Provision of habitat connectivity within Florida Wildlife Corridor Opportunity Areas is the required threshold for ecosystem service payments. In addition, a landowner may apply for compensation for up to two additional ecosystem services including aquifer recharge and water quality, based on suitable lands and subject to funding availability. The ecosystem services have been quantified into low, medium, and high-level categories using publicly available and authoritative data.<sup>1</sup> Annual per-acre prices for each ecosystem service and level are shown in **Table 1** as of December 3, 2025.

*Table 1: Florida Wildlife Corridor PES Annual Per-Acre Price by Ecosystem Service and Level*

|                             | Per-Acre<br>High | Price:<br>Per-Acre<br>Medium | Price:<br>Per-Acre Price: Low |
|-----------------------------|------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| <b>Habitat Connectivity</b> | \$97             | \$33                         | Not applicable                |
| <b>Aquifer Recharge</b>     | \$48             | \$15                         | \$9                           |
| <b>Water Quality</b>        | \$60             | \$27                         | \$9                           |

### Current Land Use/Management Alternatives

Landowner agrees to maintaining Wildlife Corridor-compatible lands and not selling lands for non-

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<sup>1</sup> Data sources include: Florida Ecological Greenways Network (FEGN); Florida Natural Areas Inventory (FNAI); Florida Cooperative Land Cover Map (CLC); Florida Statewide Agricultural Irrigation Demand (FSAID); and Florida Geological Survey.

Corridor-compatible development uses. Avoiding disruption to ecosystem services is imperative.

### **Applicant Selection**

Florida Wildlife Corridor PES program administrators will evaluate applications based on:

- 1) quality of the ecosystem services to be provided,
- 2) location of proposed lands relative to Wildlife Corridor Opportunity Areas (i.e. the Corridor pinch points as identified in GIS maps), and
- 3) parcel size.

Working agricultural lands will be prioritized.

### Applicant Contact Information

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| <b>A. APPLICANT</b>                                                                                                          |  |                 |                |
| Name: Last:                                                                                                                  |  | First:          | Middle:        |
| Title:                                                                                                                       |  | Company:        |                |
| Address:                                                                                                                     |  |                 |                |
| City:                                                                                                                        |  | State:          | Zip:           |
| Home Telephone:                                                                                                              |  | Work Telephone: |                |
| Cell Phone:                                                                                                                  |  | Fax:            |                |
| E-mail Address:                                                                                                              |  |                 |                |
| <b>Correspondence will be sent via email.</b> Check here to instead receive correspondence <input type="checkbox"/> US Mail: |  |                 |                |
| <b>B. LANDOWNER(S) (IF DIFFERENT FROM OR IN ADDITION TO APPLICANT)</b>                                                       |  |                 |                |
| Name: Last:                                                                                                                  |  | First:          | Middle:        |
| Title:                                                                                                                       |  | Company:        |                |
| Address:                                                                                                                     |  |                 |                |
| City:                                                                                                                        |  | State:          | Zip:           |
| Home Telephone:                                                                                                              |  | Work Telephone: |                |
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| <b>C. AGENT</b>                                                                                                              |  |                 |                |
| Entity Name:                                                                                                                 |  | Contact: Last:  | First: Middle: |
| Title:                                                                                                                       |  | Company:        |                |
| Address:                                                                                                                     |  |                 |                |
| City:                                                                                                                        |  | State:          | Zip:           |
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## Applicant Parcel Information

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| <b>Location:</b><br>_____                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| <b>Total Acreage:</b> _____                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| <b>Crop(s) Grown and/or Other Major Land Use(s):</b> _____<br>_____                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| <b>Annual fertilizer applications on portions of land (Yes/No):</b> _____                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| <b>Briefly describe landowner's annual and long-term land management plan (i.e., list current and future planned land management activities on parcel(s) for which PES enrollment is being sought):</b><br>_____<br>_____<br>_____                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| <b>Indicate in which of the following programs landowner applicant is currently enrolled (select all that apply):</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><input type="radio"/> US Department of Agriculture (USDA) Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP)</li><li><input type="radio"/> USDA NRCS Regional Conservation Partnership Program (RCPP)</li><li><input type="radio"/> Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services Best Management Practices (BMPs)</li><li><input type="radio"/> Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) Gopher Tortoise Program</li><li><input type="radio"/> FWC Panther Depredation Compensation Program</li><li><input type="radio"/> FWC Florida Panther Payment for Ecosystem Services Pilot Program</li><li><input type="radio"/> South Florida Water Management District Dispersed Water Management Program</li><li><input type="radio"/> Other PES or similar program(s) (please specify):<br/>_____</li></ul> |
| <b>Please list any active related permit applications or permit numbers, e.g. consumptive use permit, environmental resource permit, etc. (if applicable):</b><br>_____                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |

## Attachments

Attach a map that clearly delineates all parcels for which landowner is seeking enrollment in this PES program. Include geographic information including local government boundaries and landowner parcel boundaries.

## AFFIDAVIT

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1. The undersigned affirms that all of the information provided herein is a true and accurate statement of land management condition and intent. Authorization is hereby given to the Florida Wildlife Corridor Foundation to verify in any manner it deems appropriate any and all items indicated on this statement. The undersigned also agrees to notify the Florida Wildlife Corridor Foundation immediately in writing of any significant change in land management or condition.

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Signature

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Date