



North Carolina Hurricane Helene Timber Loss Relief Program Landowner Application and Agreement



Date Received at NCFS Local Office: _____

TLRP Landowner Application No. _____
For NCFS HQ Office Use Only

I. Applicant General Information

Applicant/Legal Entity Name			
Last 4 Digits of Tax ID/SSN only			
Street Address			
City, State, Zip Code			
Point of Contact Name (if applicable)			
Phone #			
E-mail			
County			
Is this property jointly owned?	Yes	No	
If yes, list names of other owners:	1.		
	2.		
	3.		
	4.		
	5.		

Payment, if issued, will be made to the main applicant/legal entity at the top of this application. Only one payment will be issued per eligible and approved property. Applicant assumes tax implications for any payment(s) issued to them. Multiple applications may not be submitted for the same property.

II. Parcel Ownership Information

Please list the County and County Tax Parcel ID Number below for impacted acreage. Parcel ID Numbers may be found by searching your local County Tax Office's Property Appraiser website. Proof of applicant ownership will be verified; additional proof of ownership documentation may be required. Each landowner application may only include parcels from one county; multiple applications may be submitted to cover multiple counties.

County	County Tax Parcel ID Number	Latitude** <small>Degrees: Decimals. Minutes</small>	Longitude** <small>Degrees: Decimals. Minutes</small>	Acres
		: .	: .	
		: .	: .	
		: .	: .	
		: .	: .	
		: .	: .	

*If more than 5 tracts, add to Supplemental Form **Latitude and Longitude fields must contain two digits each

III. Program Eligibility	
Please answer the following questions on behalf of the applicant/legal entity applying for assistance by entering 'Yes' or 'No' for each question.	
	Yes/No
1. Were you the owner of record of a stand of at least ten (10) contiguous acres of non-industrial private forest land when Hurricane Helene impacted North Carolina (September, 2024)?	
2. Do you believe your stand of at least ten (10) contiguous acres of woodland suffered moderate (25% - 50%) or greater damage from Hurricane Helene when Hurricane Helene impacted North Carolina (September, 2024)?	
3. Do you and all the members of your legal entity meet one of the following standards? Please initial which category applies.	Initial the category below that applies
• citizen of the United States.	
• resident alien: for purposes of this part, resident alien means "lawful alien" as defined in 7 CFR part 1400.	
• partnership consisting solely of citizens or resident aliens of the United States.	
• corporation, limited liability corporation, or other farm organizational structure organized under State law consisting solely of citizens or resident aliens of the United States.	
• Indian Tribe or Tribal Organization, as defined in section 4(b) of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C 5304).	

IV. Supporting Information & Documentation	
Please answer whether you can provide any of the following documentation with your application. Not all the documentation is required but may be beneficial in verifying eligibility and expediting processing.	
For each item below, enter 'Yes' if you can provide documentation	Yes / No
1. North Carolina Substitute W9 form. This form must be included with this application.	
2. Notarized power of attorney form [required if you are an authorized representative signing on behalf of the owner(s)]. If yes, form must be included with this application.	
3. Post-Helene timber cruise valuation and report	
4. Did you file a timber tax casualty loss for damage to your timber crop because of Hurricane Helene? If yes, please list the amount of salvage income received:	
Amount of Salvage Income Received:	

V. Acknowledgements and Certifications	
Initial next to each item to confirm you agree with each statement and sign/date at the bottom. All items must be initialed and agreed to for a landowner to be eligible for this program.	Initials
I consent and agree to allow the State and/or USDA access to any subject property of this agreement during regular business hours, with reasonable notice and to provide documentation to assure compliance with the terms of any awarded funding.	
I hereby give consent to the State of North Carolina to share applications, data, and other relevant documents with USDA's Farm Service Agency and Risk Management Agency. I further agree that Farm Service Agency may provide the State of North Carolina with other data, information and relevant documents to establish eligibility or implement the Timber Recovery Block Grant.	
I certify that any funds paid more than the amount to which the applicant is entitled under the terms and conditions of this agreement must be refunded to the State of North Carolina.	
I agree to retain financial and other records relating to the funds for a period of 3 years after completion of the distribution of grant funds or until final resolution of any audit findings or litigation claims relating to the distribution of such funds, whichever is later.	
I certify that the statements made on the program application and any other program documents are true and correct and that I understand that any false statements made as part of the application, or any other program documents, can be the subject of substantial civil and/or criminal liability and sanctions, and may require full repayment of any funds received.	
By submitting this application, I acknowledge that failure to provide access to required documentation or property to comply with the terms of this application will result in the grant to be considered to have been improperly made for which I shall be responsible for a full refund to the State of any funds received.	

Landowner/Applicant Signature Block			
Title (check one)	Landowner	Business/Entity Representative	Power of Attorney
Name			
Signature *			
Date			

*The above signature must be by an individual with legal signature authority for the respective legal entity.

For NCFS Representative Use Only
Name:
Title:
NCFS Signature:
Date Application Reviewed:

For NCFS HQ Office Use Only
Practice Code:
Project Funded By (Initials):
Approved Funding Amount:
Funding Approval Date:

The N.C. Forest Service is a division of the N.C. Department of Agriculture Consumer Services Steve Troxler, Commissioner



North Carolina Hurricane Helene Timber Loss Relief Program Landowner Application and Agreement



This application will serve as the Grant Agreement between the applicant and the State of North Carolina. The purpose of this application is to clarify the determination of applicants to receive funding, as well as to collect information that will be used in calculating the amount of potential assistance that may be distributed to eligible applicants.

Applicant Requirements:

Applicants must document they are the owner of record of a stand of at least ten (10) contiguous acres of non-industrial private forest land at the time of application or are the lessee who has rights to the timber crop at the time of application.

Foreign persons and legal entities containing members, stockholders or partners who are foreign people are not eligible to receive funds under this block grant.

If an applicant has an operation in more than one State, assistance provided through this Agreement shall only be made and used for eligible purposes within the State of North Carolina and shall not be used in any other State or for any other purpose.

Timber Loss Program Requirement:

Benefits will be determined based on the following:

- a. A producer must meet the eligible timber producer definition.
- b. Eligible timber land must meet the definition.
- c. Eligible loss must have occurred in an eligible county.
- d. An application must meet a minimum of timber losses greater than or equal to ten (10) contiguous acres within a stand of trees.
- e. To qualify for the payment rates for pine or hardwood stand, the stand of trees must meet the definition for pine, hardwood or mixed stand of trees as determined by the State.
- f. Applicants must complete an application and provide a Timber Loss Damage Assessment Report with photographs (as applicable) or other sufficient documentation as determined by the State.
- g. Production losses will be calculated using a formula and tables that may include forest type, average timber yield, extent of loss in acres by damage classes, and assigned payment values.
- h. A producer who received payment under this part is required to certify, subject to spot check, at the time of the application that they have applied for or have documentation to support the following:
 - Meet the eligibility requirements for timber loss as outlined in program eligibility requirements.
 - Sustained at a minimum 10 contiguous acres of woodlands exhibiting moderate, severe or catastrophic timber damage from Hurricane Helene.
 - Maintain documentation for the State to support application request for timber loss, location, and amount provided.

If a producer receives a payment for which the State determines to be ineligible following an audit, the producer forfeits the award and will be responsible for paying back the amounts received.