

FY2027 Upper French Broad River Financial Assistance Allocation (Nonrecurring)

Upper French Broad - ACSP (UFB)		
DISTRICT	REQUESTED	July 2026
BUNCOMBE	\$ 200,000	\$ 168,070
HAYWOOD	\$ 150,000	\$ 150,000
HENDERSON	\$ 175,000	\$ 154,692
MADISON	\$ 150,000	\$ 122,561
TRANSYLVANIA	\$ 75,000	\$ 75,000
TOTALS	\$ 750,000	\$ 670,323

SOURCE	AMOUNT
UFB - FY27 NR Available	\$ 670,323
UFB - FY27 NR Requested	\$ 750,000
Total FY27 Allocation	\$ 670,323

The N. C. General Assembly included funding for livestock exclusion in the Upper French Broad River Basin in the 2023-24 State Budget, described below. Districts are currently in the project identification phase and requesting \$875,000 for implementation in FY2024. Remaining funds will be allocated later in FY2024 and in FY2025 based on identified needs and district requests.

LIVESTOCK FARMER SUPPORT IN FRENCH BROAD RIVER BASIN

SECTION 10.7.(a) Funds appropriated in this act for the Agriculture Cost Share Program for Nonpoint Source Pollution Control from the State Capital and Infrastructure Fund shall be used to provide cost share assistance to farmers engaged in farming in the watershed of the Upper French Broad River in Transylvania, Henderson, Buncombe, and Madison Counties for the installation of fences, alternative livestock watering systems, pasture management, and other measures deemed appropriate by the local Soil and Water Conservation District to keep livestock out of existing streams and watercourses that constitute or drain into the Upper French Broad River.

SECTION 10.7.(b) Funds used pursuant to subsection (a) of this section are subject to the following requirements and limitations:

- (1) All requirements and limitations set forth in G.S. 106-850(b), except the description of eligible measures in G.S. 106-850(b)(5).
- (2) In addition, applicants must demonstrate that the measures for which they seek cost share assistance would mitigate or prevent stream impacts from livestock in or adjacent to surface waters in the Upper French Broad River basin.