

Technical Assistance Allocation Methodology Used for FY2027-2029



Technical Assistance Allocation: FY2027-29

- Allocation parameters prescribed in rule:
 - 02NCAC 59D .0108 Technical Assistance Funds
- **No changes are being recommended from the methodology used during the last calculation period.**
- Allocations will be effective July 1, 2026
- Commission action will be needed to approve the allocation – but not today



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(b) The Commission shall allocate technical assistance funds as described in its *Detailed Implementation Plan* (DIP). This allocation shall be made based on the implementation of conservation practices for which district employees provided technical assistance incorporating the following:

(1) Commission Cost Share Programs funded practices will be weighted at 100 percent – *CS² data*.



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(2) other local, State, federal, and grant funded practices that meet the purpose requirements as set forth in Rule .0101 of this Section will be weighted at a minimum of 25 percent as specified in the DIP

(3) districts shall submit information on funded practices as specified in Subparagraph (2) of this Paragraph through their annual strategic plan



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- (4) this allocation will be calculated using the highest three of the most recent seven years
- (5) this allocation will be calculated once every three years, unless there is a change in technical assistance State appropriations

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- (c) Technical assistance funds may be used for salary, benefits, social security, field equipment and supplies, office rent, office equipment and supplies, postage, telephone service, travel, mileage, and any other expense of the district in implementing Soil and Water Conservation Commission Cost Share Programs.
- (d) Each district requesting technical assistance funding with the required 50 percent local match shall receive a minimum allocation of \$20,000 each year.

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- (e) If a district is not spending more financial assistance funds on Commission Cost Share Programs than they receive for technical assistance, the district shall appeal to the Commission to receive technical assistance funding.

This is done in conjunction 3 year when Technical Assistance allocations are recalculated.



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1. All data in CS2 will be incorporated into the calculation **except for Disaster Response Funding Codes** as districts received separate technical assistance payments for their work on these practices.
2. **Weight all local, state, federal and grant funded practices that meet the purposes of ACSP, CCAP and AgWRAP at 25%. This includes only the BMP construction/installation cost and excludes the design, construction oversight and practice certification cost to be consistent with item 1.**

Data is obtained from the following sources:

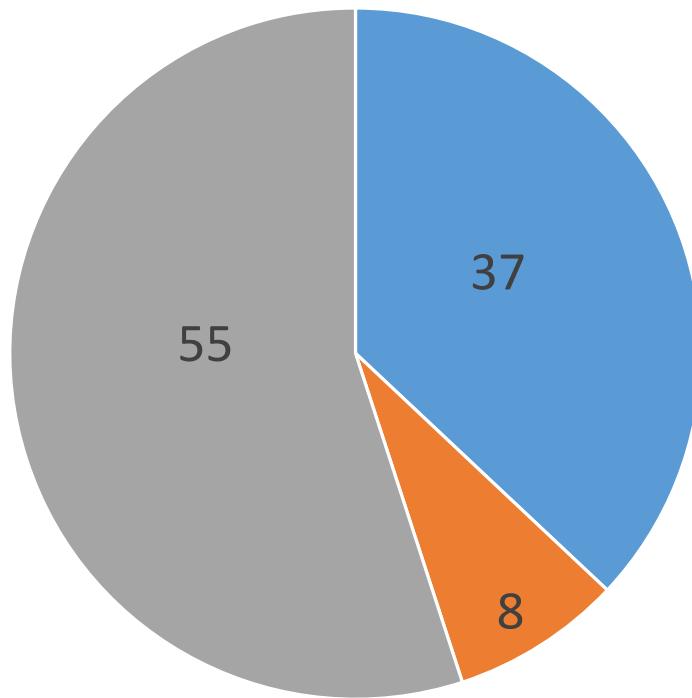
- NRCS state office for federal programs
- NC Foundation for Soil and Water Conservation
- Districts uploading grant and funder agreements

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3. Adopt a maximum allocation of \$30,000 per district. The minimum allocation per county is set in the rule at \$20,000 per district, unless the district requests a lesser amount in their annual strategic plan.



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■ Increased Funding ■ Consistent Funding ■ Decreased Funding

Job Approval Authority Reminder

(f) All technical district employees shall obtain Job Approval Authority for two best management practices from the Commission or the United States Department of Agriculture - Natural Resources Conservation Service within three years of being hired or Jan. 1. 2023, whichever is later.

Encourage all district staff to work towards this goal. Division staff will be following up with districts.



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- (1) One of the best management practices for which the employee has obtained Job Approval Authority shall be a design practice. "Design practice" means an engineering practice as defined by the Natural Resources Conservation Service or Soil and Water Conservation Commission in their Program Detailed Implementation Plan(s).
- (2) The District Board of Supervisors may request a one-year extension for their employees in meeting the Job Approval Authority requirement for extenuating circumstances outside of the employee's control.



Draft Allocation for FY2027

- Prepared using existing approved rules.
- Amounts will not be finalized until Strategic Plan Requests are received in June.
- Since the September Commission meeting, many different ideas have been proposed to consider revisions to [02NCAC 59D .0108 Technical Assistance Funds](#)
- The Cost Share Committee is being reconvened and will be the group that considers this type of rule revision.
- There will be opportunities for input at the start and throughout this rule revision process.
- Stayed tuned and please stay involved!

ACSP + CCAP	
CONTRIBUTIONS	\$ 2,474,098
Minimum	\$ 20,000
# of positions	100
Total minimum	\$ 2,000,000
Available - min	\$ 474,098
Max	\$ 30,000

County	Best 3 of the last 7 years using CS2 (excluding disaster response contracts) at 100% + outside funds at 25%	Proposed DRAFT FY2027-2029 TA allocation	Current TA allocation
ALAMANCE	\$ 265,202	\$ 22,603	\$ 23,903
ALEXANDER	\$ 911,635	\$ 28,948	\$ 25,479
ALLEGHANY	\$ 640,688	\$ 26,288	\$ 25,214
ANSON	\$ 1,988,962	\$ 30,000	\$ 26,308
ASHE	\$ 660,058	\$ 26,479	\$ 27,244
AVERY	\$ 1,017,055	\$ 29,983	\$ 24,576
BEAUFORT	\$ 781,769	\$ 27,673	\$ 25,925
BERTIE	\$ 366,066	\$ 23,593	\$ 25,605
BLADEN	\$ 1,006,215	\$ 29,876	\$ 26,573
BRUNSWICK	\$ 272,856	\$ 22,678	\$ 22,391
BUNCOMBE	\$ 677,424	\$ 26,649	\$ 26,716
BURKE	\$ 289,805	\$ 22,844	\$ 25,933
CABARRUS	\$ 281,606	\$ 22,764	\$ 23,185
CALDWELL	\$ 324,244	\$ 23,183	\$ 24,387
CAMDEN	\$ 130,973	\$ 21,286	\$ 21,525
CARTERET	\$ 345,177	\$ 23,388	\$ 20,937
CASWELL	\$ 495,934	\$ 24,868	\$ 25,653
CATAWBA	\$ 299,087	\$ 22,936	\$ 23,319
CHATHAM	\$ 625,717	\$ 26,142	\$ 26,181
CHEROKEE	\$ 415,646	\$ 24,080	\$ 26,321
CHOWAN	\$ 299,225	\$ 22,937	\$ 22,309
CLAY	\$ 269,640	\$ 22,647	\$ 23,529
CLEVELAND	\$ 1,138,431	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000
COLUMBUS	\$ 415,934	\$ 24,082	\$ 24,100
CRAVEN	\$ 330,030	\$ 23,239	\$ 21,710
CUMBERLAND	\$ 364,164	\$ 23,574	\$ 22,296
CURRITUCK	\$ 150,188	\$ 21,474	\$ 20,984
DARE	\$ 136,974	\$ 21,344	\$ 20,912
DAVIDSON	\$ 273,191	\$ 22,681	\$ 24,002
DAVIE	\$ 374,023	\$ 23,671	\$ 22,822
DUPLIN	\$ 1,394,582	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000
DURHAM	\$ 782,140	\$ 27,677	\$ 29,788

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EDGECOMBE	\$ 374,892	\$ 23,680	\$ 23,769
FORSYTH	\$ 203,526	\$ 21,998	\$ 22,648
FRANKLIN	\$ 360,900	\$ 23,542	\$ 24,203
GASTON	\$ 176,560	\$ 21,733	\$ 23,245
GATES	\$ 381,660	\$ 23,746	\$ 22,703
GRAHAM	\$ 84,846	\$ 20,833	\$ 21,690
GRANVILLE	\$ 228,625	\$ 22,244	\$ 22,435
GREENE	\$ 271,544	\$ 22,665	\$ 23,811
GUILFORD	\$ 381,559	\$ 23,745	\$ 24,369
HALIFAX	\$ 564,307	\$ 25,539	\$ 30,000
HARNETT	\$ 661,801	\$ 26,496	\$ 24,642
HAYWOOD	\$ 483,966	\$ 24,750	\$ 26,382
HENDERSON	\$ 748,176	\$ 27,343	\$ 28,287
HERTFORD	\$ 342,155	\$ 23,358	\$ 22,885
HOKE	\$ 729,682	\$ 27,162	\$ -
HYDE	\$ 335,074	\$ 23,289	\$ 23,212
IREDELL	\$ 531,459	\$ 25,216	\$ 24,708
JACKSON	\$ 298,871	\$ 22,933	\$ 22,582
JOHNSTON	\$ 639,042	\$ 26,272	\$ 23,944
JONES	\$ 682,839	\$ 26,702	\$ 26,143
LEE	\$ 241,039	\$ 22,366	\$ 22,584
LENOIR	\$ 821,604	\$ 28,064	\$ 24,917
LINCOLN	\$ 686,887	\$ 26,742	\$ 26,940
MACON	\$ 281,627	\$ 22,764	\$ 25,359
MADISON	\$ 275,864	\$ 22,708	\$ 23,216
MARTIN	\$ 691,820	\$ 26,790	\$ 23,394
MCDOWELL	\$ 169,940	\$ 21,668	\$ 23,177
MECKLENBURG	\$ 153,556	\$ 21,507	\$ 21,469
MITCHELL	\$ 668,565	\$ 26,562	\$ 25,612
MONTGOMERY	\$ 463,039	\$ 24,545	\$ 23,840
MOORE	\$ 1,514,479	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000
NASH	\$ 334,998	\$ 23,288	\$ 23,190
NEW HANOVER	\$ 27,500	\$ 20,270	\$ 20,126
NORTHAMPTON	\$ 456,787	\$ 24,483	\$ 25,577
ONSLOW	\$ 451,589	\$ 24,432	\$ 24,492
ORANGE	\$ 363,776	\$ 23,571	\$ 25,051
PAMLICO	\$ 233,047	\$ 22,287	\$ 24,190
PASQUOTANK	\$ 131,336	\$ 21,289	\$ 21,620
PENDER	\$ 661,318	\$ 26,491	\$ 23,411
PERQUIMANS	\$ 182,612	\$ 21,792	\$ 23,021
PERSON	\$ 199,662	\$ 21,960	\$ 22,316

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PITT	\$ 496,370	\$ 24,872	\$ 23,848
POLK	\$ 86,968	\$ 20,854	\$ 25,605
RANDOLPH	\$ 1,526,263	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000
RICHMOND	\$ 760,670	\$ 27,466	\$ 24,519
ROBESON	\$ 1,251,829	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000
ROCKINGHAM	\$ 446,769	\$ 24,385	\$ 25,587
ROWAN	\$ 232,707	\$ 22,284	\$ 23,249
RUTHERFORD	\$ 643,103	\$ 26,312	\$ 26,550
SAMPSON	\$ 1,803,044	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000
SCOTLAND	\$ 704,204	\$ 26,912	\$ 25,038
STANLY	\$ 832,358	\$ 28,170	\$ 26,743
STOKES	\$ 378,391	\$ 23,714	\$ 25,391
SURRY	\$ 1,803,780	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000
SWAIN	\$ 106,995	\$ 21,050	\$ 21,779
TRANSYLVANIA	\$ 225,799	\$ 22,216	\$ 23,170
TYRRELL	\$ 390,499	\$ 23,833	\$ 26,190
UNION	\$ 628,670	\$ 26,171	\$ 25,017
VANCE	\$ 102,313	\$ 21,004	\$ 21,275
WAKE	\$ 863,040	\$ 28,471	\$ 24,488
WARREN	\$ 269,421	\$ 22,644	\$ 23,659
WASHINGTON	\$ 315,604	\$ 23,098	\$ 23,181
WATAUGA	\$ 656,566	\$ 26,444	\$ 26,888
WAYNE	\$ 449,937	\$ 24,416	\$ 26,816
WILKES	\$ 1,272,960	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000
WILSON	\$ 259,856	\$ 22,551	\$ 23,154
YADKIN	\$ 732,503	\$ 27,190	\$ 28,710
YANCEY	\$ 369,533	\$ 23,627	\$ 23,902