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Forest Legacy 2023 Funded Projects



The Last Green Valley Forest Legacy Project received funding in 2023 through the Forest Legacy Program. (Photo by Dan Peracchio)

In FY23, over \$188 million in funding was awarded to 34 projects to conserve more than 245,000 acres of environmentally and economically important private forestlands under threat of being converted to other uses. These investments ensure that working forests that are vital to the fabric of local economies remain working forests, and advance the most critical conservation issues facing our nation's forests, including protecting watersheds, mitigating wildfire risk, conserving habitat for at-risk species and mitigating climate change.

These investments in the nation's working forests were made possible by the Land and Water Conservation Fund and the Inflation Reduction Act (IRA). The Inflation Reduction Act, signed in August 2022, provided a historic investment of \$700 million over ten years to permanently conserve state and privately-owned forestlands through the Forest Legacy Program. This funding complements the program's annual appropriations which were permanently reauthorized through the passage of the Great American Outdoors in 2019.

News Release

<u>USDA Forest Service invests 188M to keep forests working</u>

Funded Proposals by State

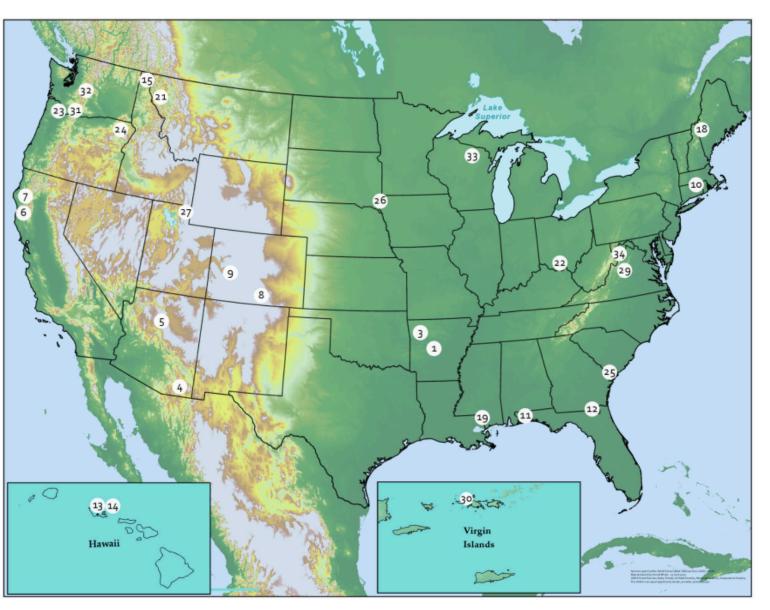
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- ✓ WASHINGTON
- ✓ WISCONSIN
- ✓ WEST VIRGINIA

Request for Projects (IRA)*

- FY24 Call Letter for Projects (PDF, 583 KB)
- FY24 Project Scoring Guidance (PDF, 327 KB)

2023 Project Map



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