

# Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services Commissioner Nicole "Nikki" Fried

#### September 16, 2021

### ADDENDUM 1

TO: APPLICANTS

FROM: JOSHUA FAYLO, ENVIRONMENTAL SPECIALIST III

RE: 21-22 FFS TREE PLANTING PROGRAM FLORIDA SEQUESTERING CARBON AND PROTECTING FLORIDA LAND PROGRAM

This addendum is to provide all applicants with answers to questions received.

#### Question / Answer

1. If the costs of my practices are below the reimbursement rate, will I receive the full listed reimbursement rate? I.e. Mechanical site preparation full reimbursement rate is \$150/acre, but I expect it to cost only \$50/acre.

No, if your costs are below the maximum reimbursement rate you will only receive the amount necessary to cover your actual costs. If your actual costs are above the maximum reimbursement rate you will only then receive the maximum reimbursement rate.

2. Can I plant Cypress, Eucalyptus, Sweetgum, Bamboo, etc. as part of this program?

<u>No, only native pine trees are eligible for planting. I.e. Longleaf Pine, Sand Pine, Loblolly Pine, and Slash Pine (South Florida Slash Pine variety included)</u>

3. I own several parcels of land. Is more than one parcel eligible for funding under this program?

<u>Yes, your application may include practices on multiple parcels.</u> A minimum of 20 acres and maximum of 250 acres may be applied for by any individual owner.

4. What if my land isn't ready for planting and needs to be site prepped?

Site preparation and planting for this planting season (2021-2022) is eligible. Site preparation during next spring/summer (2022) in preparation for the winter 2022-2023 planting season is eligible. Seedling purchase and planting costs for the 2022-2023 planting season will be the responsibility of the landowner.

## 5. Does the Carbon Sequestration program cover prescribed burning?

Not the traditional understory prescribed burning. Site preparation burning with the intent to plant this winter (2021-2022) is covered.

All other terms, conditions and specifications of this request for applications will remain the same. If you have any questions regarding this addendum, please feel free to contact this office at (850) 681-5880 or email at <u>FFS\_CFA@FDACS.gov</u>