WCA & PCD Climate Smart Commodities (CSC) Payment Rates

| **Practice Category** | **Reimbursement Rate** | |
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| **Forest Health Assessment and Planning** | New Forest Management Plan:   * 0 to 20 acres: $1,670 * 21-100 acres: $2,490 * 101 to 250 acres: $4,020 * 251 to 500 acres: $5,820 * >500 acres: $7,320 | Plan Update:   * <100 acres: $1,200 * >100 acres: $1,800 |
| Indigenous Stewardship Methods Evaluation:   * Up to full producer cost | |
| **Early Stand Development** | Climate Adapted Species Planting:   * Up to $695 / acre | |
| Competing Vegetation Management:   * $200-300 / acre | |
| Planted Stand Monitoring:   * $50-100 / acre | |
| Tree/Shrub Site Preparation:   * Up to $500 / acre | |
| Restoration of Rare and Declining Species   * $20 / acre up to full producer cost | |
| Brush Management:   * $100 / acre up to full producer cost | |
| **Extended Rotation Forest Management** | Pre-Commercial Thinning:   * $300-595 / acre | |
| Commercial thinning:   * Funding is to support financially marginal projects. Can be first-entry thinning or additional thinnings to enhance carbon storage and climate resiliency. * Up to $1,200 per project toward equipment mobilization costs plus $125 - $250 / acre. | |
| **Woody Residue Management** | Retention of Snags, Dens, Trees, Coarse Woody Debris during Harvest   * $500/acre | |
| Alternative Slash Management   * $500/acre | |
| **Wildfire Risk Mitigation and Forest Resilience** | Prescribed Burning Plan   * $950 up to full producer cost | |
| Prescribed Burning   * $500/acre | |
| Fuel Break   * $1,500 up to full producer cost | |
| **Riparian Buffer Establishment and Maintenance** | Riparian Forest Buffer Establishment   * $2,000 - $4,000 / acre   Riparian Forest Buffer Maintenance   * $500 / acre | |

\*Underserved audiences as defined by NRCS receive an additional 20% increase in listed payment rates. As a cost-share program, no reimbursement will exceed the full practice cost.

\*\*Forest management plans will be NRCS compliant and include design and implementation activities.