

**2026 USDA EXPLANATORY NOTES – FOREST SERVICE**

Table FS-118. FY 2026 Forest Service – Land and Water Conservation Fund Land Acquisition and Priority Deferred Maintenance Program – Authority and Proposed Projects

| <b>Total New Budget Authority, FY 2026 Allocation</b>                    |              |                                      |  |                       | <b>\$126,029,424</b>   |
|--|--------------|--------------------------------------|--|-----------------------|------------------------|
| Previously Sequestered BA from 2025 (Sequester Pop up Authority)         |              |                                      |  |                       | 7,054,253              |
| 2026 Sequestration   |              |                                      |  |                       | (7,183,677)            |
| <b>Total Net Budget Authority in FY 2026 (Available Program Funding)</b> |              |                                      |  |                       | <b>125,900,000</b>     |
| <b>Priority Order</b>  | <b>State</b> | <b>Forest</b>                        | <b>Projects</b>                                    | <b>Cong. District</b> | <b>Funding Request</b> |
| 1  | AZ           | Prescott National Forest             | Land Acquisition - Upper Verde River-Yavapai Ranch | AZ-02                 | 10,000,000             |
| 2  | Multiple     | Multiple                             | Priority Deferred Maintenance Projects             | Multiple              | 100,900,000            |
| <b>Subtotal, Project Funds</b>   |              |                                      |  |                       | 110,900,000            |
| Total, LA Recreation Access  |              |                                      |  |                       | 4,000,000              |
| Total, LA Administrative Funds   |              |                                      |  |                       | 1,000,000              |
| Total, DM Administrative Funds   |              |                                      |  |                       | 3,000,000              |
| Total, DM Contingency Funds  |              |                                      |  |                       | 7,000,000              |
| <b>Total</b>   |              |                                      |  |                       | <b>125,900,000</b>     |
| <b>Supplemental Land Acquisition Projects</b>                            |              |                                      |  |                       |                        |
| 3  | WA           | Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest   | Upper Wenatchee Watershed                          | WA-08                 | 17,000,000             |
| 4  | CO           | Rio Grande National Forest           | Cliff Lake & Conejos Canyon                        | CO-03                 | 5,000,000              |
| 5  | CO           | White River National Forest          | Snowmass Falls Ranch                               | CO-03                 | 18,000,000             |
| 6  | MT           | Lolo National Forest                 | Fawn Peak  | MT-01                 | 7,500,000              |
| 7  | CO           | San Juan National Forest             | Lizard Head Mesa                                   | CO-03                 | 6,250,000              |
| 8  | PR           | El Yunque National Forest            | El Yunque National Forest                          | PR-At-Large           | 3,213,000              |
| 9  | IN           | Hoosier National Forest              | Topoglus   | IN-09                 | 2,089,450              |
| 10   | GA           | Chattahoochee-Oconee National Forest | Restoring Wild Georgia                             | GA-14, 09             | 3,800,000              |
| 11   | VA, TN       | Cherokee National Forest             | TN & VA Mountains, Trails and Waters               | VA-09, TN-01          | 1,839,000              |
| 12   | MT           | Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest | Mammoth  | MT-01                 | 1,500,000              |
| 13   | AL           | National Forests in Alabama          | National Forests in Alabama                        | AL-06                 | 8,000,000              |
| 14   | NC           | National Forests in North Carolina   | National Forests in North Carolina                 | NC-11                 | 3,400,000              |
| 15   | WI           | Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest  | Board of Commissioners of Public Lands             | WI-07                 | 4,700,000              |
| 16   | WA           | Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest   | Upper Wenatchee Watershed                          | WA-08                 | 5,000,000              |
| 17   | CO           | White River National Forest          | Snowmass Falls Ranch                               | CO-03                 | 16,000,000             |
| 18   | SD           | Black Hills National Forest          | Wind Song Ranch                                    | SD-01                 | 1,080,000              |
| <b>Total, Supplemental LA Project List</b>                               |              |                                      |  |                       | 104,371,450            |
| <b>Supplemental Acquisition Management Funds</b>                         |              |                                      |  |                       | 14,041,894             |