

Special CFP Funding Opportunity for Great Lakes States in 2021

Lands that are eligible for the Community Forest Program (CFP) **including the parcel being at least 75% forested** and protect Great Lakes priority coastal or terrestrial habitats may be eligible for acquisition through the Forest Service Great Lakes Restoration Initiative (GLRI), a partnership with the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Coastal priority habitats include coastal wetlands, drowned river mouths, dune and swale habitats, forested coastal buffers, and critical connecting riparian areas for the Great Lakes. Priority terrestrial habitats include barrens, glades, oak savannas, conifer forests, jack pine openings, dunes, northern hardwoods, fens, and inland wetlands. For terrestrial habitats, highest priority will be given to parcels within the Terrestrial Habitat Connectivity Pilot Area (see Figure 1 below). Emphasis will also be given to habitats identified as specific geographic priorities in a current Lakewide Action and Management Plan (LAMP) or other state/tribal plan.

Subject to funding availability, in FY2021 the top ranked project/s eligible for this GLRI funding source may be selected for award. The projects that are not selected for this limited funding source will be submitted/reviewed/ranked in the National CFP selection process.

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Figure 1. Map of Terrestrial Habitat Connectivity Pilot Area

