Agricultural Conservation Easement Program – Agricultural Land Easement (ACEP-ALE)

Supplement to the SF-270 for Certified Entities

This supplement and all documents required by this supplement must be completed and attached for every agricultural land easement for which an advance or reimbursement of ACEP-ALE cost-share assistance is requested by a certified eligible entity. NRCS will verify that all certifications and documents have been received and the SF-270 and SF-270 supplement have been correctly completed prior to NRCS dispersal of funds.

Certified Entity Name:	
NRCS Agreement Number:	
NEST Parcel ID Number:	
Certified Entity Tax Identification Number (TIN):	
Certified Entity DUNS:	
Landowner(s) Name (continue on additional pages and attach if needed):	
Landowner(s) Address:	
Landowner(s) Telephone Number:	
Total Federal Cost-Share Requested from NRCS for the Agricultural Land Easement:	Acres Protected by the Agricultural Land Easement:

Attach the following to SF-270:

1. A copy of the agricultural land easement deed with all exhibits with a recording receipt; if a reimbursement is requested then the deed must be a copy of the recorded document and include a recording receipt

2. NRCS Form 230, "Confirmation of Matching Funds," for each easement

3. A hardcopy and electronic copy of the appraisal report or other determination of the fair market value of the agricultural land easement

4. A certificate of use and consent or similar document with the summary of the certified entity's findings or recommendations

5. A copy of the agricultural land easement plan signed by the landowner

6. A copy of the baseline documentation report signed by the certified entity and the landowner

7. Any impervious surface waiver requests and supporting documentation

8. A map of any existing and proposed building envelopes

9. If applicable, a copy of the NRCS approval letter for the waiver of the eligible entity cash contribution requirement

10. For a reimbursement, a copy of the American Land Title Association (ALTA) title insurance policy

11. For an advance:

   a. A completed and signed copy of the "NRCS Closing Agent Requirements"
   b. A copy of the American Land Title Association (ALTA) title commitment
   c. A signed settlement statement prepared by the closing agent
   d. Evidence of liability insurance coverage in an amount at least equal to the Federal funds provided as cost share for the purchase of the agricultural land easement, providing for reimbursement to NRCS for any loss of Federal funds caused by fraud or dishonest or failure by the attorneys, closing agents, or closing agents employees to comply with the written closing instructions

The undersigned certified entity certifies that they have participated in the Agricultural Land Easement component of the Agricultural Conservation Easement Program according to all program requirements and the terms and conditions of the above-referenced agreement. The undersigned certified entity shall hereafter be referred to as the "participant." The participant specifically certifies that they are acquiring or have acquired an agricultural land easement that:

1. Addresses all of the minimum deed requirements identified at 7 CFR Part 1468.25(d) including the prescribed United States Right of Enforcement;

2. Subjects the Parcel to an agricultural land easement plan that meets the requirements of 7 CFR Part 1468.26(a);

3. Protects the agricultural viability of land that is unencumbered by outstanding or reserved interests, or if encumbered, are subordinated to the agricultural land easement, or if encumbered by unsubordinated encumbrances such encumbrances are consistent with 7 CFR Part 1468 and the above-referenced agreement.

4. Is insured through an Owner's American Land Title Association (ALTA) policy with the participant listed as the insured on the policy and the policy issued for the full amount of the agricultural land easement purchase price.

The participant certifies that they have obtained a determination of the fair market value of the agricultural land easement at its own cost using one of the methods set forth in 7 CFR Part 1468.24.

The participant certifies that highly erodible land conservation and wetland conservation, adjusted gross income certifications, and member information for all landowners are on file with the appropriate USDA service center agency.

The participant certifies that they are currently registered in the System for Award Management (SAM) and are providing a valid DUNS number on this request. NRCS will not disburse funds for an agricultural land easement until all applicable DUNS and SAM requirements have been met.

It is the responsibility of the participant to provide accurate information to support all items addressed in this SF-270 supplement to the request for payment. False certifications are subject to criminal and civil fraud statutes.

Signature of Authorized Entity Representative:	Date:

Privacy Act Notification

The following statement is made in accordance with the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. Section 552a, as amended). The authority for requesting the information identified on this form are 7 CFR Part 1468, the Commodity Credit Corporation Charter Act 15 U.S.C. Section 714 et seq.), and the Agricultural Act of 2014 (Public Law 113-79). The information will be used to enable Natural Resources Conservation Service to certify payment of cost share assistance through the Agricultural Conservation Easement Program. The information collected on this form may be disclosed to other Federal, State, local government agencies, Tribal agencies, and nongovernmental entities that have been authorized access to the information by statute or regulation and/or as described in applicable routine uses identified in the System of Records Notice for USDA/NRCS-1, Landowner, Operator, Producer, Cooperator, or Participant Files, and USDA/FCIC -10, Policyholder. Providing the requested information is voluntary. However, failure to furnish the requested information will result in a determination of producer ineligibility to participate in the Agricultural Conservation Easement Program.

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