

**Joint Chiefs' Landscape Restoration Partnership Project
FY 2019 Progress Report**



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Funds Obligated To Date

	FY19	FY18 (If Applicable)
NRCS - EQIP Financial & Technical Assistance		
NRCS - Additional Funds		
FS - National Forest System		
FS - Hazardous Fuels		
FS - State and Private Forestry		
FS - Non JCLRP Funds		
Other (partner investments)		
Total		

For EQIP TA, assume TA at a rate of 9% of FA, across years, unless additional funding was invested (e.g., through partner agreements).

Conservation Success Stories

Concisely describe unique or notable conservation highlights resulting from the project and/or partnership in FY19 related to mitigating wildfire risk, protecting water quality and supply, or improving wildlife habitat. For example:

- *By working closely with partners and the town, this Joint Chiefs' project installed two new bridges, replacing culverts that were vulnerable to flooding and unnavigable for fish. This allowed brook trout access to 1.5 miles of prime waterways in the National Forest and protected nearby homes from potential flooding.*
- *Partners thinned overly dense stands of trees from prioritized areas to reduce the threat of wildfire for 500 homes, representing approximately 2,500 residents. Removing dense plant material also provided better forage ground and winter habitat for species, including elk, mule deer and wild turkey, species that are tied to local culture and the tourism economy.*

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Community Benefits

Briefly describe benefits to local communities achieved through this project and/or partnership in FY19. This could include, but is not limited to, employment opportunities, education, outreach, or coordination. For example:

- *Partners hosted four field days for the local community at the project site. They also distributed newsletters on plant identification, soil health, management practices, and prescribed fire at the weekly farmer's market.*
- *Local agencies and partners contributed more than \$300,000 to match Joint Chiefs' funds and this project partnership has led to a new collaboration to improve recreational access to the backcountry while also reducing adverse impacts to the water quality of the local lake.*

Project Accomplishments

1. Enter your FY19 accomplishments on National Forests in FACTS.

2. In the following tables, report total project accomplishments for FY19.

Federal Lands

Activity/Treatment	FY19
Total acres of HF Treatment	
Total miles of streambank improved	
Total acres of wildlife habitat improved/created	

State or Tribal Lands

Activity/Treatment	FY19
Total acres of HF Treatment	
Total miles of streambank improved	
Total acres of wildlife habitat improved/created	

Private Lands

Activity/Treatment	FY19
Total acres of HF Treatment	
Total miles of streambank improved	
Total acres of wildlife habitat improved/created	

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Barriers to Implementation

Briefly describe any barriers that were encountered during the past year that affected the implementation of the planned activities and how those barriers were addressed.

Signatures:

NRCS, title

Forest Service, title