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The National Forest Farming & Forestry Grant

We are **piloting a major new grant** to demonstrate how a mixture of agroforestry, woodland planting and habitat creation can transform large landholdings without removing them from food production. We are looking to partner with a farmer (or group of farmers) to trial innovative approaches to integrating trees, farmland and wildlife as part of an economic model that provides new income streams and enhances existing ones.

Evidence shows that a more integrated approach to farming and forestry can:

- Contribute to national climate change action.
- Enhance local wildlife.
- Provide additional crops and enhance yields of existing crops.
- Increase livestock live weight gains and milk production.
- Reduce feed costs and veterinary treatments.
- Increase soil retention and health.
- Reduce nutrient runoff.





The **Farming & Forestry Grant** is a new approach to tree planting that creates a true partnership between landowners and the National Forest Company. We are seeking enquiries for areas of land to be brought into a combination of agroforestry, woodland and wildlife habitats, which deliver transformation at scale. The grant encourages applicants to be bold and innovative in their approach to integrating trees into their farms. The land can be across more than one ownership but must form a single contiguous block. Projects must deliver benefits for the National Forest.



Get in touch with us

If you are interested in what the grant could do for you, get in touch with us on grants@nationalforest.org or **01283 551211**.

The next step of the process is an Expression of Interest, where you will simply set out your plans and how they will contribute towards the goals of the Forest.

If you are then shortlisted for a full application, you will be given the support of an expert agent, if you do not already have access to one. The agents will work with you to design the scheme, complete the application form and, if you are successful, implement the planting and habitat creation. The application process is a **simple** and **straightforward tender approach**: you tell us what you want to do, how much it is going to cost and why it presents good value for money.

Find out more: www.nationalforest.org/about/partner-with-us/farm-and-landowners