

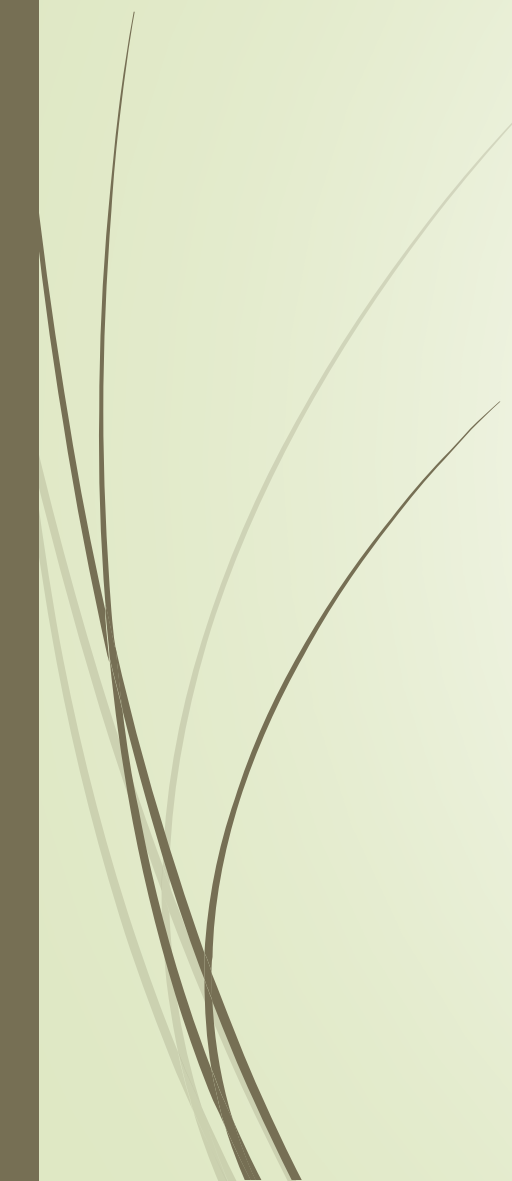
Agricultural Conservation Easement Program

2024





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- Alabama continuous sign-up batching dates for IRA funds
 - October 4th, first batching period
 - December 13th – selections due
 - December 20th, second batching period
 - February 28th – selections due
- Alabama Batching Date for ACEP-WRE & ALE 2024
 - November 1, 2024



Wetland Reserve Easements

WRE

- **ACEP Funds in 2024 \$1,000,000**

- WRE = \$800,00

- ALE = \$200,000

- **IRA ACEP Funds in 2024**

- Acquisition = \$1,702,030

- **Enrolling 5 easements, 30-year easement conversion, and repairing multiple existing easements**

Agricultural Land Easements - ALE

- 2018 Farm-bill Program: need cooperating sponsoring entity to proceed with program
- One application in 2024
 - 139.9 acres of pasture and forest land

Estimated easement value: **\$250,000**



Wetland Reserve Easements WRE

**Geographic Area Rate Caps (GARCs)
FY 2025 in process**

**-Planning to request extension of
FY2024 rates**

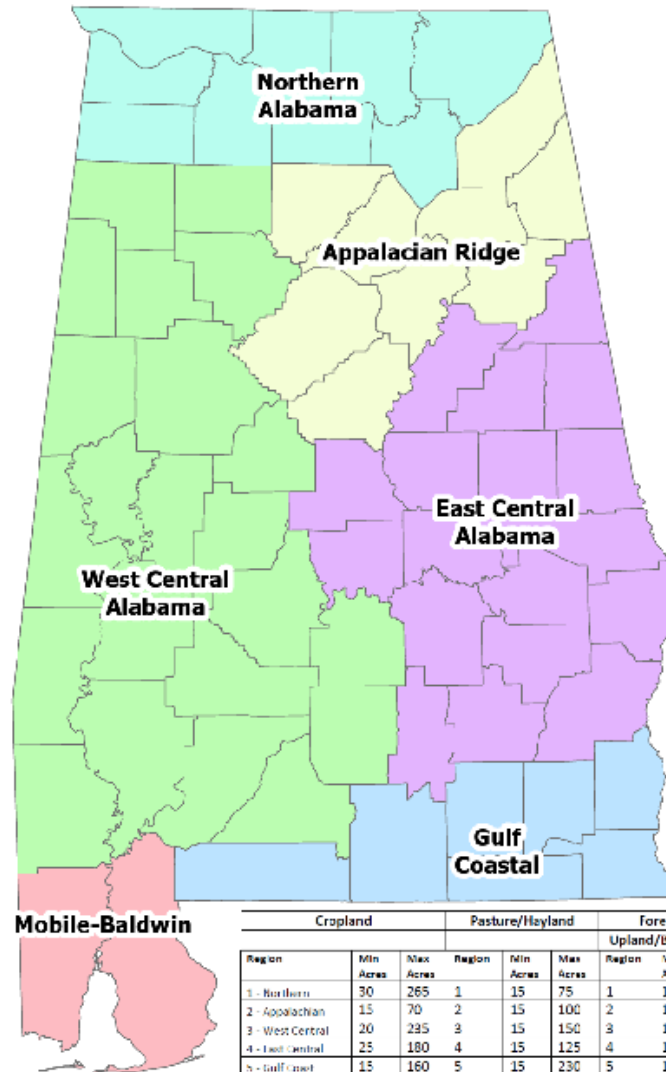
**WETLAND RESTORATION CRITERIA AND
GUIDELINE (WRCG) 2024**

-Available for review by request



Alabama ACEP Wetlands Reserve Easements (WRE) FY 2024 Geographic Area Rate Cap (GARC)

ACEP WRE Market Areas Alabama FY2024



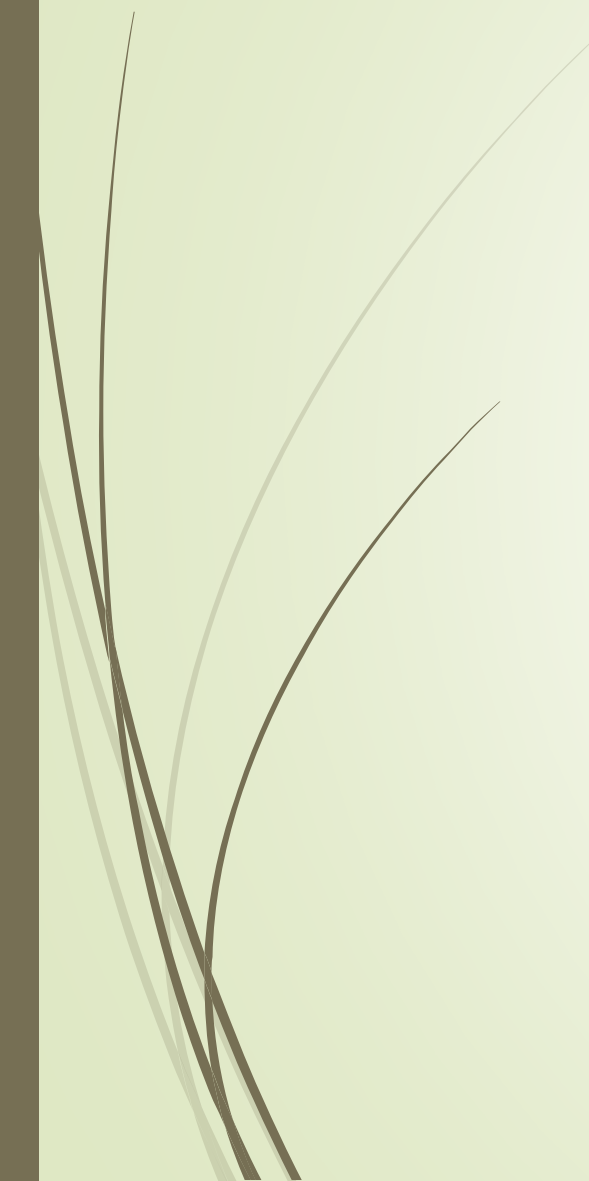
Northern Alabama
Cropland- \$5,000
Pasture/Hayland- \$1,313
Forest Land (Upland/Bottomland)- \$2,961
Forestland (Flooded)- \$2,176
Appalachian Ridge
Cropland- \$3,952
Pasture/Hayland- \$3,420
Forest Land (Upland/Bottomland)- \$3,297
Forestland (Flooded)- \$3,116
West Central Alabama
Cropland- \$2,736
Pasture/Hayland- \$2,508
Forest Land (Upland/Bottomland)- \$2,451
Forestland (Flooded)- \$2,451
East Central Alabama
Cropland- \$3,544
Pasture/Hayland- \$3,439
Forest Land (Upland/Bottomland)- \$2,423
Forestland (Flooded)- \$2,451
Gulf Coastal
Cropland- \$4,513
Pasture/Hayland- \$2,907
Forest Land (Upland/Bottomland)- \$2,527
Forestland (Flooded)- \$2,518
Mobile-Baldwin
Cropland- \$5,000
Pasture/Hayland- \$4,484
Forest Land (Upland/Bottomland)- \$2,784
Forestland (Flooded)- \$2,860

Region	Cropland		Pasture/Hayland		Forest Land				Forest Land	
	Min Acres	Max Acres	Min Acres	Max Acres	Upland/Bottom Land		Flooded		Min Acres	Max Acres
1 - Northern	30	265	1	15	75	1	15	125	1	15
2 - Appalachian	15	70	2	15	100	2	15	205	2	15
3 - West Central	20	235	3	15	150	3	15	100	3	30
4 - East Central	25	180	4	15	125	4	15	175	4	20
5 - Gulf Coastal	15	160	5	15	230	5	15	365	5	15
6 - Mobile Baldwin	15	175	6	15	60	6	15	200	6	25

*Alabama GARC are derived from 2023 Area Wide Market Analysis data.
Data for surrounding states is provided as available.

*AWMA GARC percentage calculated at 95% of FMV







RCPP HFRP

➤ **Healthy Forest Reserve Easements**

- Working through process to enroll 4 HFRP to convert loblolly forest to longleaf in Baldwin County
- 10,322 acres

Questions





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