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To provide incentives for agricultural producers to carry out climate stewardship practices, to provide for increased reforestation across the United States, to establish the Coastal and Estuary Resilience Grant Program, and for other purposes.

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. BOOKER (for himself and Mrs. GILLIBRAND) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

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## A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.**

4 (a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the  
5 “Climate Stewardship Act of 2021”.

6 (b) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The table of contents for  
7 this Act is as follows:

Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.

#### TITLE I—AGRICULTURE

- Sec. 101. Conservation reserve program.
- Sec. 102. Environmental quality incentives program.
- Sec. 103. Conservation stewardship program.
- Sec. 104. Funding.
- Sec. 105. Regional conservation partnership program.
- Sec. 106. Funding for climate stewardship agriculture research.
- Sec. 107. Conservation technical assistance.
- Sec. 108. Rural Energy for America Program.
- Sec. 109. Local Agriculture Market Program.
- Sec. 110. Soil health equipment grant program.
- Sec. 111. Farm and ranch stress assistance network.
- Sec. 112. Assistance for community food projects.

#### TITLE II—FORESTS

- Sec. 201. Reforestation Trust Fund.
- Sec. 202. Reforest America Grant Program.
- Sec. 203. Funding for the community forest and open space conservation program.
- Sec. 204. Forest Stewardship Practice Program.
- Sec. 205. Urban wood programs.
- Sec. 206. Stewardship Corps.

#### TITLE III—COASTAL WETLAND

- Sec. 301. Definitions.
- Sec. 302. Coastal and Estuary Resilience Grant Program.
- Sec. 303. Data collection.
- Sec. 304. Outreach and technical assistance.
- Sec. 305. Annual restoration and funding.
- Sec. 306. Prevailing wage requirement.
- Sec. 307. Department of the Interior coastal wetland restoration; funding.

## 1                   **TITLE I—AGRICULTURE**

### 2   **SEC. 101. CONSERVATION RESERVE PROGRAM.**

3           (a) CONSERVATION RESERVE.—Section 1231 of the  
4 Food Security Act of 1985 (16 U.S.C. 3831) is amend-  
5 ed—

6                   (1) in subsection (d)—

7                           (A) in paragraph (1)—

8                                   (i) in subparagraph (C), by striking  
9                                   “25,000,000” and inserting “28,000,000”;

1 (ii) in subparagraph (D), by striking  
2 “25,500,000 acres; and” and inserting  
3 “30,500,000 acres;”;

4 (iii) in subparagraph (E), by striking  
5 “27,000,000 acres.” and inserting  
6 “33,000,000 acres;” and

7 (iv) by adding at the end the fol-  
8 lowing:

9 “(F) fiscal year 2024, not more than  
10 34,000,000 acres;

11 “(G) fiscal year 2025, not more than  
12 35,000,000 acres;

13 “(H) fiscal year 2026, not more than  
14 36,000,000 acres;

15 “(I) fiscal year 2027, not more than  
16 37,000,000 acres;

17 “(J) fiscal year 2028, not more than  
18 38,000,000 acres;

19 “(K) fiscal year 2029, not more than  
20 39,000,000 acres; and

21 “(L) fiscal year 2030, not less than  
22 40,000,000 acres.”;

23 (B) in paragraph (2)(A)—

24 (i) in clause (i)—

1 (I) by striking “2,000,000” and  
2 inserting “4,600,000”; and

3 (II) by striking “2023” and in-  
4 sserting “2030”; and

5 (ii) in clause (ii)—

6 (I) in subclause (II), by striking  
7 “and” at the end;

8 (II) in subclause (III), by strik-  
9 ing “through 2023, 2,000,000 acres.”  
10 and inserting “and 2022, 2,000,000  
11 acres;”; and

12 (III) by adding at the end the  
13 following:

14 “(IV) fiscal year 2023, 2,500,000  
15 acres;

16 “(V) fiscal year 2024, 2,800,000  
17 acres;

18 “(VI) fiscal year 2025, 3,100,000  
19 acres;

20 “(VII) fiscal year 2026,  
21 3,400,000 acres;

22 “(VIII) fiscal year 2027,  
23 3,700,000 acres;

24 “(IX) fiscal year 2028,  
25 4,000,000 acres;

1                   “(X) fiscal year 2029, 4,300,000  
2                   acres; and

3                   “(XI) fiscal year 2030, not less  
4                   than 4,600,000 acres.”; and

5                   (C) in paragraph (6)(B)—

6                   (i) in clause (i)—

7                   (I) by striking “8,600,000” and  
8                   inserting “17,700,000”; and

9                   (II) by striking “2023” and in-  
10                  serting “2030”; and

11                  (ii) in clause (ii)—

12                  (I) in subclause (III), by striking  
13                  “8,500,000 acres; and” and inserting  
14                  “10,000,000 acres;”; and

15                  (II) by striking subclause (IV)  
16                  and inserting the following:

17                  “(IV)    fiscal    year    2022,  
18                  12,500,000 acres;

19                  “(V)    fiscal    year    2023,  
20                  14,500,000 acres;

21                  “(VI)   fiscal    year    2024,  
22                  15,500,000 acres;

23                  “(VII)  fiscal    year    2025,  
24                  16,500,000 acres;

1                   “(VIII) fiscal year 2026,  
2                   17,500,000 acres;

3                   “(IX) fiscal year 2027,  
4                   18,500,000 acres;

5                   “(X) fiscal year 2028,  
6                   19,500,000 acres; and

7                   “(XI) fiscal years 2029 and  
8                   2030, 20,000,000 acres.”;

9                   (2) in subsection (e)(1), by striking “, nor more  
10                   than 15,”; and

11                   (3) in subsection (h)—

12                   (A) by striking paragraph (2); and

13                   (B) by striking “CONSIDERATION.—” in  
14                   the subsection heading and all that follows  
15                   through “On the” in paragraph (1) and insert-  
16                   ing “CONSIDERATION.—On the”.

17                   (b) CONSERVATION RESERVE ENHANCEMENT PRO-  
18                   GRAM.—Section 1231A(b)(2)(A)(i) of the Food Security  
19                   Act of 1985 (16 U.S.C. 3831a(b)(2)(A)(i)) is amended by  
20                   inserting “, including reducing agricultural greenhouse  
21                   gas emissions or increasing carbon sequestration,” after  
22                   “concerns”.

1 **SEC. 102. ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY INCENTIVES PRO-**  
2 **GRAM.**

3 (a) PURPOSES.—Section 1240(3) of the Food Secu-  
4 rity Act of 1985 (16 U.S.C. 3839aa(3)) is amended—

5 (1) in subparagraph (B), by striking “and” at  
6 the end;

7 (2) in subparagraph (C), by striking “and” at  
8 the end; and

9 (3) by adding at the end the following:

10 “(D) reducing agricultural greenhouse gas  
11 emissions;

12 “(E) increasing carbon sequestration; and

13 “(F) adapting to, or mitigating against, in-  
14 creasing weather volatility; and”.

15 (b) DEFINITIONS.—Section 1240A of the Food Secu-  
16 rity Act of 1985 (16 U.S.C. 3839aa–1) is amended—

17 (1) by redesignating paragraphs (1) through  
18 (10) as paragraphs (2) through (11), respectively;  
19 and

20 (2) by inserting before paragraph (2) (as so re-  
21 designated) the following:

22 “(1) CLIMATE STEWARDSHIP PRACTICE.—The  
23 term ‘climate stewardship practice’ means any of the  
24 following practices:

25 “(A) Alley cropping.

26 “(B) Biochar incorporation.

- 1 “(C) Compost application.
- 2 “(D) Conservation activity plans.
- 3 “(E) Conservation cover.
- 4 “(F) Conservation crop rotation.
- 5 “(G) Contour buffer strips.
- 6 “(H) Contour farming.
- 7 “(I) Cover crops.
- 8 “(J) Critical area planting.
- 9 “(K) Cross wind trap strips.
- 10 “(L) Field borders.
- 11 “(M) Filter strips.
- 12 “(N) Forage and biomass planting, includ-  
13 ing the use of native prairie and seed mixtures.
- 14 “(O) Forest stand improvements.
- 15 “(P) Grassed waterways.
- 16 “(Q) Hedgerow planting.
- 17 “(R) Herbaceous wind barriers.
- 18 “(S) Irrigation water management.
- 19 “(T) Mulching to improve soil health.
- 20 “(U) Multistory cropping.
- 21 “(V) Nutrient management.
- 22 “(W) Pollinator or beneficial insect or  
23 monarch habitat establishment.
- 24 “(X) Prescribed grazing.
- 25 “(Y) Range planting.



1           “(Z) Residue and tillage management with  
2 no till.

3           “(AA) Residue and tillage management  
4 with reduced till.

5           “(BB) Riparian forest buffers.

6           “(CC) Riparian herbaceous buffers.

7           “(DD) Silvopasture establishment.

8           “(EE) Stripcropping.

9           “(FF) Tree and shrub establishment.

10          “(GG) Upland wildlife habitat.

11          “(HH) Vegetative barriers.

12          “(II) Wetland restoration.

13          “(JJ) Windbreak renovation.

14          “(KK) Windbreaks and shelterbelts.

15          “(LL) Woody residue treatment.

16          “(MM) Any other highly effective vegeta-  
17 tive or management practice that significantly  
18 reduces agricultural greenhouse gas emissions,  
19 increases carbon sequestration, or assists pro-  
20 ducers in adapting to, or mitigating against, in-  
21 creasing weather volatility, as determined by  
22 the Secretary.”.

23          (c) ESTABLISHMENT AND ADMINISTRATION.—Sec-  
24 tion 1240B of the Food Security Act of 1985 (16 U.S.C.  
25 3839aa-2) is amended—

1 (1) in subsection (d)(3)—

2 (A) in subparagraph (F), by striking “or”  
3 at the end;

4 (B) in subparagraph (G), by striking the  
5 period at the end and inserting a semicolon;  
6 and

7 (C) by adding at the end the following:

8 “(H) reductions in agricultural greenhouse  
9 gas emissions; or

10 “(I) long-term carbon sequestration.”; and

11 (2) in subsection (j)—

12 (A) in paragraph (2)—

13 (i) in subparagraph (A)—

14 (I) in clause (i)—

15 (aa) by striking “mainte-  
16 nance of incentive practices” and  
17 inserting the following: “mainte-  
18 nance of—

19 “(I) incentive practices”; and

20 (bb) in subclause (I) (as so  
21 designated), by striking the pe-  
22 riod at the end and inserting the  
23 following: “; or

24 “(II) 1 or more climate steward-  
25 ship practices.”; and

1 (II) in clause (ii)—

2 (aa) in subclause (I), by in-  
3 serting “, or climate stewardship  
4 practices to attain increased lev-  
5 els of carbon sequestration and  
6 reduced agricultural greenhouse  
7 gas emissions,” after “conserva-  
8 tion”; and

9 (bb) in subclause (II), by in-  
10 serting “or a climate stewardship  
11 practice” after “incentive prac-  
12 tice”; and

13 (ii) in subparagraph (C)—

14 (I) by redesignating clauses (i)  
15 and (ii) as subclauses (I) and (II), re-  
16 spectively, and indenting appro-  
17 priately;

18 (II) in the matter preceding sub-  
19 clause (I) (as so redesignated), by  
20 striking “Notwithstanding section  
21 1240C” and inserting the following:

22 “(i) INCENTIVE PRACTICES.—Not-  
23 withstanding section 1240C, in the case of  
24 applications for contracts under subpara-  
25 graph (A)(i)(I)”;

1 (III) by adding at the end the  
2 following:

3 “(ii) CLIMATE STEWARDSHIP PRAC-  
4 TICES.—Notwithstanding section 1240C,  
5 in the case of applications for contracts  
6 under subparagraph (A)(i)(II), the Sec-  
7 retary shall give priority to applications  
8 that contain the greatest number of cli-  
9 mate stewardship practices.”; and

10 (B) in paragraph (3)—

11 (i) in the paragraph heading, by in-  
12 serting “AND CLIMATE STEWARDSHIP  
13 PRACTICE” after “INCENTIVE PRACTICE”;

14 (ii) in subparagraph (A), by inserting  
15 “or climate stewardship practices” after  
16 “incentive practices” each place it appears;

17 (iii) in subparagraph (B), by inserting  
18 “or climate stewardship practice” after  
19 “incentive practice” each place it appears;  
20 and

21 (iv) in subparagraph (C)(ii), by insert-  
22 ing “or a climate stewardship practice”  
23 after “incentive practice”.

1 (d) LIMITATION ON PAYMENTS.—Section 1240G of  
2 the Food Security Act of 1985 (16 U.S.C. 3839aa–7) is  
3 amended—

4 (1) by striking “2018, or” and inserting  
5 “2018,”; and

6 (2) by inserting “the period of fiscal years 2024  
7 through 2028, or the period of fiscal years 2029  
8 through 2033,” before “regardless”.

9 (e) CONSERVATION INNOVATION GRANTS AND PAY-  
10 MENTS.—Section 1240H(c) of the Food Security Act of  
11 1985 (16 U.S.C. 3839aa–8(c)) is amended—

12 (1) in paragraph (1)(B)(i)—

13 (A) in subclause (VI), by striking “and” at  
14 the end; and

15 (B) by adding at the end the following:

16 “(VIII) practices that signifi-  
17 cantly increase carbon sequestration,  
18 reduce agricultural greenhouse gas  
19 emissions, or assist producers to  
20 adapt to, or mitigate against, increas-  
21 ing weather volatility; and”;

22 (2) in paragraph (2), in the matter preceding  
23 subparagraph (A), by striking “through 2023” and  
24 inserting “and 2020, and \$200,000,000 of the funds

1 of the Commodity Credit Corporation for each of fis-  
2 cal years 2021 through 2030”; and

3 (3) in paragraph (7), in the matter preceding  
4 subparagraph (A)—

5 (A) by inserting “not less than  
6 \$100,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2021  
7 through 2030 of the” after “Using”; and

8 (B) by striking “a soil” and inserting “an  
9 ongoing soil”.

10 **SEC. 103. CONSERVATION STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM.**

11 (a) SUPPLEMENTAL PAYMENTS FOR CLIMATE STEW-  
12 ARDSHIP PRACTICES.—Section 1240L(d) of the Food Se-  
13 curity Act of 1985 (16 U.S.C. 3839aa–24(d)) is amend-  
14 ed—

15 (1) in the subsection heading, by striking “RO-  
16 TATIONS AND ADVANCED GRAZING MANAGEMENT”  
17 and inserting “ROTATIONS, ADVANCED GRAZING  
18 MANAGEMENT, AND CLIMATE STEWARDSHIP PRAC-  
19 TICES”;

20 (2) in paragraph (1)—

21 (A) by redesignating subparagraphs (B)  
22 and (C) as subparagraphs (C) and (D), respec-  
23 tively; and

24 (B) by inserting after subparagraph (A)  
25 the following:

1           “(B) CLIMATE STEWARDSHIP PRACTICE.—

2           The term ‘climate stewardship practice’ means  
3           any of the following practices and enhance-  
4           ments associated with the following practices:

5                   “(i) Alley cropping.

6                   “(ii) Biochar incorporation.

7                   “(iii) Compost application.

8                   “(iv) Conservation activity plans.

9                   “(v) Conservation cover.

10                  “(vi) Conservation crop rotation.

11                  “(vii) Contour buffer strips.

12                  “(viii) Contour farming.

13                  “(ix) Cover crops.

14                  “(x) Critical area planting.

15                  “(xi) Cross wind trap strips.

16                  “(xii) Field borders.

17                  “(xiii) Filter strips.

18                  “(xiv) Forage and biomass planting,  
19                  including the use of native prairie seed  
20                  mixtures.

21                  “(xv) Forest stand improvements.

22                  “(xvi) Grassed waterways.

23                  “(xvii) Hedgerow planting.

24                  “(xviii) Herbaceous wind barriers.

25                  “(xix) Irrigation water management.

- 1 “(xx) Mulching to improve soil health.
- 2 “(xxi) Multistory cropping.
- 3 “(xxii) Nutrient management, includ-  
4 ing nitrogen stewardship activities.
- 5 “(xxiii) Pollinator or beneficial insect  
6 or monarch habitat establishment.
- 7 “(xxiv) Prescribed grazing.
- 8 “(xxv) Range planting.
- 9 “(xxvi) Residue and tillage manage-  
10 ment with no till.
- 11 “(xxvii) Residue and tillage manage-  
12 ment with reduced till.
- 13 “(xxviii) Riparian forest buffers.
- 14 “(xxix) Riparian herbaceous buffers.
- 15 “(xxx) Silvopasture establishment.
- 16 “(xxxi) Stripcropping.
- 17 “(xxxii) Tree and shrub establish-  
18 ment, including planting for a high rate of  
19 carbon sequestration.
- 20 “(xxxiii) Upland wildlife habitat.
- 21 “(xxxiv) Vegetative barriers.
- 22 “(xxxv) Wetland restoration.
- 23 “(xxxvi) Windbreak renovation.
- 24 “(xxxvii) Windbreaks and shelterbelts.
- 25 “(xxxviii) Woody residue treatment.



1 “(xxxix) Any other vegetative or man-  
 2 agement conservation activity that signifi-  
 3 cantly—

4 “(I) reduces greenhouse gas  
 5 emissions;

6 “(II) increases carbon sequestra-  
 7 tion; or

8 “(III) enhances resilience to in-  
 9 creased weather volatility.”;

10 (3) in paragraph (2)—

11 (A) in subparagraph (A), by striking “or”  
 12 at the end;

13 (B) in subparagraph (B), by striking the  
 14 period at the end and inserting “; or”; and

15 (C) by adding at the end the following:

16 “(C) conservation activities relating to cli-  
 17 mate stewardship practices.”; and

18 (4) in paragraph (3), by striking “rotations or  
 19 advanced grazing management” and inserting “rota-  
 20 tions, advanced grazing management, or conserva-  
 21 tion activities relating to climate stewardship prac-  
 22 tices”.

23 (b) PAYMENT LIMITATIONS.—Section 1240L(f) of  
 24 the Food Security Act of 1985 (16 U.S.C. 3839aa–24(f))  
 25 is amended by striking “fiscal years 2019 through 2023”

1 and inserting “the period of fiscal years 2019 through  
2 2023, the period of fiscal years 2024 through 2028, or  
3 the period of fiscal years 2029 through 2033”.

4 **SEC. 104. FUNDING.**

5 (a) ANNUAL FUNDING.—Section 1241(a) of the Food  
6 Security Act of 1985 (16 U.S.C. 3841(a)) is amended—

7 (1) in the matter preceding paragraph (1), by  
8 striking “2023” and inserting “2030”;

9 (2) in paragraph (2)—

10 (A) in subparagraph (E), by striking  
11 “and” at the end;

12 (B) in subparagraph (F), by striking  
13 “through 2023.” and inserting “and 2020;  
14 and”; and

15 (C) by adding at the end the following:

16 “(G) \$900,000,000 for each of fiscal years  
17 2021 through 2030.”; and

18 (3) in paragraph (3)—

19 (A) in subparagraph (A)—

20 (i) in clause (iii), by striking  
21 “\$1,800,000,000” and inserting

22 “\$3,800,000,000”;

23 (ii) in clause (iv)—

24 (I) by striking “\$1,850,000,000”

25 and inserting “\$4,850,000,000”; and

1 (II) by striking “and” at the end;

2 (iii) in clause (v), by striking

3 “\$2,025,000,000” and inserting

4 “\$6,025,000,000”; and

5 (iv) by adding at the end the fol-

6 lowing:

7 “(vi) \$7,000,000,000 for each of fiscal

8 years 2024 through 2030; and”;

9 (B) in subparagraph (B)—

10 (i) in clause (iii), by striking

11 “\$750,000,000” and inserting

12 “\$2,750,000,000”;

13 (ii) in clause (iv)—

14 (I) by striking “\$800,000,000”

15 and inserting “\$3,800,000,000”; and

16 (II) by striking “and” at the end;

17 (iii) in clause (v)—

18 (I) by striking “\$1,000,000,000”

19 and inserting “\$5,000,000,000”; and

20 (II) by striking the period at the

21 end and inserting a semicolon; and

22 (iv) by adding at the end the fol-

23 lowing:

24 “(vi) \$6,000,000,000 for fiscal year

25 2024; and

1                   “(vii) \$7,000,000,000 for each of fis-  
2                   cal years 2025 through 2030.”.

3           (b) AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS.—Section 1241(b) of  
4 the Food Security Act of 1985 (16 U.S.C. 3841(b)) is  
5 amended by striking “2023” and inserting “2030”.

6           (c) FUNDING FOR CLIMATE STEWARDSHIP PRAC-  
7 TICES.—Section 1241 of the Food Security Act of 1985  
8 (16 U.S.C. 3841) is amended by adding at the end the  
9 following:

10           “(k) FUNDING FOR CLIMATE STEWARDSHIP PRAC-  
11 TICES.—

12                   “(1) ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY INCENTIVES  
13           PROGRAM.—

14                           “(A) IN GENERAL.—Of the funds made  
15                   available under subsection (a)(3)(A), the Sec-  
16                   retary shall set aside the following amounts to  
17                   be used exclusively for climate stewardship  
18                   practices (as defined in section 1240A) under  
19                   contracts under section 1240B(j)(2)(A)(i)(II):

20                                   “(i) \$2,000,000,000 for fiscal year  
21                                   2021.

22                                   “(ii) \$3,000,000,000 for fiscal year  
23                                   2022.

24                                   “(iii) \$4,000,000,000 for fiscal year  
25                                   2023.

1                   “(iv) \$5,000,000,000 for each of fiscal  
2                   years 2024 through 2030.

3                   “(B) NONAPPLICABILITY OF ALLOCATION  
4                   OF FUNDING.—Section 1240B(f) shall not  
5                   apply to amounts set aside under subparagraph  
6                   (A).

7                   “(2) CONSERVATION STEWARDSHIP PRO-  
8                   GRAM.—Of the funds made available under sub-  
9                   section (a)(3)(B), the Secretary shall set aside the  
10                  following amounts to be used exclusively to enroll in  
11                  the conservation stewardship program contracts  
12                  comprised predominantly of conservation activities  
13                  relating to climate stewardship practices (as defined  
14                  in section 1240L(d)(1)) or bundles of practices com-  
15                  prised predominantly of conservation activities relat-  
16                  ing to climate stewardship practices (as so defined):

17                         “(A) \$2,000,000,000 for fiscal year 2021.

18                         “(B) \$3,000,000,000 for fiscal year 2022.

19                         “(C) \$4,000,000,000 for fiscal year 2023.

20                         “(D) \$5,000,000,000 for each of fiscal  
21                   years 2024 through 2030.

22                   “(3) SET-ASIDES FOR SOCIALLY DISADVAN-  
23                   TAGED AND BEGINNING FARMERS AND RANCH-  
24                   ERS.—Of the funds set aside under each of para-  
25                   graphs (1) and (2), the Secretary shall allocate—

1           “(A) 5 percent to provide assistance to so-  
2           cially disadvantaged farmers and ranchers (as  
3           defined in section 2501(a) of the Food, Agri-  
4           culture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990  
5           (7 U.S.C. 2279(a))); and

6           “(B) 5 percent to provide assistance to be-  
7           ginning farmers and ranchers (as defined in  
8           that section (7 U.S.C. 2279(a))).”.

9   **SEC. 105. REGIONAL CONSERVATION PARTNERSHIP PRO-**  
10                                   **GRAM.**

11           Section 1271D of the Food Security Act of 1985 (16  
12   U.S.C. 3871d) is amended by striking subsection (a) and  
13   inserting the following:

14           “(a) AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS.—Of the funds of the  
15   Commodity Credit Corporation, the Secretary shall use to  
16   carry out the program—

17           “(1) \$300,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2021  
18           through 2023;

19           “(2) \$500,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2024  
20           through 2025;

21           “(3) \$750,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2026  
22           through 2027; and

23           “(4) \$1,000,000,000 for each of fiscal years  
24           2028 through 2030.”.

1 **SEC. 106. FUNDING FOR CLIMATE STEWARDSHIP AGRICULTURE RESEARCH.**  
2

3 (a) AGRICULTURE AND FOOD RESEARCH INITIA-  
4 TIVE.—Subsection (b) of the Competitive, Special, and  
5 Facilities Research Grant Act (7 U.S.C. 3157(b)) is  
6 amended—

7 (1) in paragraph (2), by adding at the end the  
8 following:

9 “(G) CLIMATE STEWARDSHIP.—Climate  
10 change mitigation through—

11 “(i) reducing greenhouse gas emis-  
12 sions and increasing resilience in the agri-  
13 cultural sector;

14 “(ii) increasing carbon sequestration;

15 “(iii) improving soil health; and

16 “(iv) increasing soil carbon levels.”;

17 and

18 (2) in paragraph (11)—

19 (A) by striking the paragraph heading and  
20 inserting “FUNDING.—”;

21 (B) in subparagraph (A)—

22 (i) in the matter preceding clause (i),  
23 by striking “There is” and all that follows  
24 through “2023” and inserting “On the  
25 first October 1 after the date of enactment  
26 of the Climate Stewardship Act of 2021,

1 and on each October 1 thereafter through  
 2 October 1, 2029, out of any funds in the  
 3 Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the  
 4 Secretary of the Treasury shall transfer to  
 5 the Secretary to carry out this subsection  
 6 \$830,000,000, to remain available until ex-  
 7 pended”;

8 (ii) in clause (i), by striking “and” at  
 9 the end;

10 (iii) in clause (ii), by striking the pe-  
 11 riod at the end and inserting “; and”;

12 (iv) by adding at the end the fol-  
 13 lowing:

14 “(iii) not less than 50 percent for  
 15 each fiscal year shall be used to address  
 16 the priority area described in paragraph  
 17 (2)(G).”; and

18 (C) by adding at the end the following:

19 “(C) RECEIPT AND ACCEPTANCE.—The  
 20 Secretary shall be entitled to receive, shall ac-  
 21 cept, and shall use to carry out this subsection  
 22 the funds transferred under subparagraph (A),  
 23 without further appropriation.”.

24 (b) AGRICULTURE RESEARCH SERVICE CLIMATE  
 25 STEWARDSHIP FUNDING.—



1           (1) IN GENERAL.—Of the funds of the Com-  
2           modity Credit Corporation, the Secretary of Agri-  
3           culture shall use \$100,000,000 for each of fiscal  
4           years 2021 through 2030 to carry out, through the  
5           Administrator of the Agricultural Research Service,  
6           the research mission of the Department of Agri-  
7           culture with respect to the issues described in  
8           clauses (i) through (iv) of subparagraph (G) of sub-  
9           section (b)(2) of the Competitive, Special, and Fa-  
10          cilities Research Grant Act (7 U.S.C. 3157(b)(2)).

11          (2) SET-ASIDE.—The Secretary of Agriculture  
12          shall set aside 25 percent of the amounts made  
13          available by paragraph (1) for research relating to  
14          pulse crops, other legumes, and high-biomass crops.

15          (c) FOUNDATION FOR FOOD AND AGRICULTURE RE-  
16          SEARCH.—Section 7601 of the Agricultural Act of 2014  
17          (7 U.S.C. 5939) is amended—

18               (1) in subsection (c)(1)(D), by inserting after  
19               “environment” the following: “, including—

20                       “(i) reducing greenhouse gas emis-  
21                       sions and increasing resilience in the agri-  
22                       cultural sector;

23                       “(ii) increasing carbon sequestration;

24                       “(iii) improving soil health; and

1 “(iv) increasing soil carbon levels”;

2 and

3 (2) in subsection (g)(1)(A), by adding at the  
4 end the following:

5 “(iii) CLIMATE STEWARDSHIP FUND-  
6 ING.—On the date of enactment of the Cli-  
7 mate Stewardship Act of 2021, and each  
8 fiscal year thereafter through fiscal year  
9 2030, of the funds of the Commodity Cred-  
10 it Corporation, the Secretary shall transfer  
11 to the Foundation \$40,000,000 to advance  
12 the research mission of the Department  
13 with respect to the issues described in  
14 clauses (i) through (iv) of subsection  
15 (c)(1)(D), to remain available until ex-  
16 pended.”.

17 (d) SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE RESEARCH AND  
18 EXTENSION PROJECTS.—Section 1621 of the Food, Agri-  
19 culture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 (7 U.S.C.  
20 5811) is amended—

21 (1) in subsection (a)—

22 (A) in paragraph (1)(C), by striking “and”  
23 at the end;

24 (B) in paragraph (2)(E), by striking the  
25 period at the end and inserting “; and”; and

1 (C) by adding at the end the following:

2 “(3) facilitate—

3 “(A) reducing greenhouse gas emissions  
4 and increasing resilience in the agricultural sec-  
5 tor;

6 “(B) increasing carbon sequestration;

7 “(C) improving soil health; and

8 “(D) increasing soil carbon levels.”; and

9 (2) by adding at the end the following:

10 “(j) FUNDS.—

11 “(1) IN GENERAL.—In addition to amounts ap-  
12 propriated under section 1624, on the first October  
13 1 after the date of enactment of the Climate Stew-  
14 ards-ship Act of 2021, and on each October 1 there-  
15 after through October 1, 2029, out of any funds in  
16 the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the Sec-  
17 retary of the Treasury shall transfer to the Sec-  
18 retary to carry out this section \$74,000,000, to re-  
19 main available until expended.

20 “(2) RECEIPT AND ACCEPTANCE.—The Sec-  
21 retary shall be entitled to receive, shall accept, and  
22 shall use to carry out this section the funds trans-  
23 ferred under paragraph (1), without further appro-  
24 priation.

1           “(3) CLIMATE STEWARDSHIP.—Of the funds  
2           made available under paragraph (1), the Secretary  
3           shall use not less than 50 percent to conduct  
4           projects described in subsection (a)(3).”.

5           (e) ORGANIC AGRICULTURE RESEARCH AND EXTEN-  
6           SION INITIATIVE.—Section 1672B of the Food, Agri-  
7           culture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 (7 U.S.C.  
8           5925b) is amended—

9           (1) in subsection (a)—

10           (A) in paragraph (7), by striking “and” at  
11           the end;

12           (B) in paragraph (8), by striking the pe-  
13           riod at the end and inserting “; and”; and

14           (C) by adding at the end the following:

15           “(9)(A) reducing greenhouse gas emissions and  
16           increasing resilience in the agricultural sector;

17           “(B) increasing carbon sequestration;

18           “(C) improving soil health; and

19           “(D) increasing soil carbon levels.”; and

20           (2) in subsection (f)—

21           (A) in paragraph (1)—

22           (i) in subparagraph (C), by striking  
23           “and” at the end;

24           (ii) in subparagraph (E), by adding  
25           “and” at the end after the semicolon;

1 (iii) by striking subparagraphs (F)  
2 and (G); and

3 (iv) by adding at the end the fol-  
4 lowing:

5 “(F) on the first October 1 after the date  
6 of enactment of the Climate Stewardship Act of  
7 2021, and on each October 1 thereafter through  
8 October 1, 2029, \$100,000,000.”; and

9 (B) by adding at the end the following:

10 “(4) CLIMATE STEWARDSHIP.—Of the funds  
11 made available under paragraph (1)(F), the Sec-  
12 retary shall use not less than 50 percent to support  
13 activities under this section for the purposes de-  
14 scribed in subsection (a)(9).”.

15 (f) APPROPRIATE TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER FOR  
16 RURAL AREAS PROGRAM.—Section 310B(i) of the Con-  
17 solidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C.  
18 1932(i)) is amended—

19 (1) in paragraph (2)—

20 (A) in subparagraph (C), by striking  
21 “and” at the end;

22 (B) in subparagraph (D), by striking the  
23 period at the end and inserting a semicolon;  
24 and

25 (C) by adding at the end the following:

1           “(E) reduce greenhouse gas emissions and  
2           increase resilience in the agricultural sector;

3           “(F) increase carbon sequestration;

4           “(G) improve soil health; and

5           “(H) increase soil carbon levels.”; and

6           (2) by striking paragraph (4) and inserting the  
7           following:

8           “(4) FUNDING.—

9           “(A) IN GENERAL.—On the first October 1  
10          after the date of enactment of the Climate  
11          Stewardship Act of 2021, and on each October  
12          1 thereafter through October 1, 2029, out of  
13          any funds in the Treasury not otherwise appro-  
14          priated, the Secretary of the Treasury shall  
15          transfer to the Secretary to carry out this sub-  
16          section \$5,600,000, to remain available until  
17          expended.

18          “(B) RECEIPT AND ACCEPTANCE.—The  
19          Secretary shall be entitled to receive, shall ac-  
20          cept, and shall use to carry out this subsection  
21          the funds transferred under subparagraph (A),  
22          without further appropriation.

23          “(C) CLIMATE STEWARDSHIP.—Of the  
24          funds made available under subparagraph (A),  
25          the Secretary shall use not less than 50 percent

1 to provide assistance described in subpara-  
2 graphs (E) through (H) of paragraph (2).”.

3 (g) RESEARCH UNDER HATCH ACT.—The Hatch Act  
4 of 1887 is amended by inserting after section 3 (7 U.S.C.  
5 361c) the following:

6 **“SEC. 3A. MANDATORY FUNDING.**

7 “(a) FUNDING.—

8 “(1) IN GENERAL.—In addition to any amounts  
9 authorized to be appropriated under section 3, on  
10 the first October 1 after the date of enactment of  
11 the Climate Stewardship Act of 2021, and on each  
12 October 1 thereafter through October 1, 2029, out  
13 of any funds in the Treasury not otherwise appro-  
14 priated, the Secretary of the Treasury shall transfer  
15 to the Secretary to carry out this Act \$518,000,000,  
16 to remain available until expended.

17 “(2) RECEIPT AND ACCEPTANCE.—The Sec-  
18 retary shall be entitled to receive, shall accept, and  
19 shall use to carry out this Act the funds transferred  
20 under paragraph (1), without further appropriation.

21 “(b) CLIMATE STEWARDSHIP.—Of the funds made  
22 available under subsection (a)(1), not less than 50 percent  
23 shall be used for research relating to—

24 “(1) reducing greenhouse gas emissions and in-  
25 creasing resilience in—

1 “(A) the agricultural sector; and

2 “(B) communities;

3 “(2) increasing carbon sequestration;

4 “(3) improving soil health; and

5 “(4) increasing soil carbon levels.”

6 (h) ACTIVITIES UNDER SMITH-LEVER ACT.—The  
7 Smith-Lever Act is amended by inserting after section 3  
8 (7 U.S.C. 343) the following:

9 **“SEC. 3A. MANDATORY FUNDING.**

10 “(a) FUNDING.—

11 “(1) IN GENERAL.—In addition to any amounts  
12 authorized to be appropriated under section 3, on  
13 the first October 1 after the date of enactment of  
14 the Climate Stewardship Act of 2021, and on each  
15 October 1 thereafter through October 1, 2029, out  
16 of any funds in the Treasury not otherwise appro-  
17 priated, the Secretary of the Treasury shall transfer  
18 to the Secretary to carry out this Act \$649,400,000,  
19 to remain available until expended.

20 “(2) 1994 INSTITUTIONS.—Of the funds trans-  
21 ferred under paragraph (1), \$19,400,000 shall be  
22 for payment on behalf of the 1994 Institutions (as  
23 defined in section 532 of the Equity in Educational  
24 Land-Grant Status Act of 1994 (7 U.S.C. 301 note;  
25 Public Law 103–382)) for the purposes described in



1 section 2, to be distributed in accordance with the  
2 process described in section 3(b)(3).

3 “(3) RECEIPT AND ACCEPTANCE.—The Sec-  
4 retary shall be entitled to receive, shall accept, and  
5 shall use to carry out this Act the funds transferred  
6 under paragraph (1), without further appropriation.

7 “(b) CLIMATE STEWARDSHIP.—Of the funds made  
8 available under subsection (a)(1), and of the funds des-  
9 ignated for 1994 Institutions under subsection (a)(2), not  
10 less than 50 percent shall be used for activities relating  
11 to—

12 “(1) reducing greenhouse gas emissions and in-  
13 creasing resilience in—

14 “(A) the agricultural sector; and

15 “(B) communities;

16 “(2) increasing carbon sequestration;

17 “(3) improving soil health; and

18 “(4) increasing soil carbon levels.”.

19 (i) EXTENSION AT 1890 LAND-GRANT COLLEGES,  
20 INCLUDING TUSKEGEE UNIVERSITY AND THE UNIVER-  
21 SITY OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.—Section 1444 of  
22 the Food and Agriculture Act of 1977 (7 U.S.C. 3221)  
23 is amended by adding at the end the following:

24 “(g) MANDATORY FUNDING.—

25 “(1) FUNDING.—

1           “(A) IN GENERAL.—In addition to any  
2 amounts authorized to be appropriated under  
3 subsection (a), on the first October 1 after the  
4 date of enactment of the Climate Stewardship  
5 Act of 2021, and on each October 1 thereafter  
6 through October 1, 2029, out of any funds in  
7 the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the  
8 Secretary of the Treasury shall transfer to the  
9 Secretary to carry out this section  
10 \$200,000,000, to remain available until ex-  
11 pended.

12           “(B) RECEIPT AND ACCEPTANCE.—The  
13 Secretary shall be entitled to receive, shall ac-  
14 cept, and shall use to carry out this section the  
15 funds transferred under subparagraph (A),  
16 without further appropriation.

17           “(2) CLIMATE STEWARDSHIP.—Of the funds  
18 made available under paragraph (1)(A), not less  
19 than 50 percent shall be used for programs and ac-  
20 tivities relating to—

21           “(A) reducing greenhouse gas emissions  
22 and increasing resilience in the agricultural sec-  
23 tor;

24           “(B) increasing carbon sequestration;

25           “(C) improving soil health; and

1 “(D) increasing soil carbon levels.”.

2 (j) AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH AT 1890 LAND-  
3 GRANT COLLEGES, INCLUDING TUSKEGEE UNIVERSITY  
4 AND THE UNIVERSITY OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.—  
5 Section 1445 of the Food and Agriculture Act of 1977  
6 (7 U.S.C. 3222) is amended by adding at the end the fol-  
7 lowing:

8 “(i) MANDATORY FUNDING.—

9 “(1) FUNDING.—

10 “(A) IN GENERAL.—In addition to any  
11 amounts authorized to be appropriated under  
12 subsection (a), on the first October 1 after the  
13 date of enactment of the Climate Stewardship  
14 Act of 2021, and on each October 1 thereafter  
15 through October 1, 2029, out of any funds in  
16 the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the  
17 Secretary of the Treasury shall transfer to the  
18 Secretary to carry out this section  
19 \$250,000,000, to remain available until ex-  
20 pended.

21 “(B) RECEIPT AND ACCEPTANCE.—The  
22 Secretary shall be entitled to receive, shall ac-  
23 cept, and shall use to carry out this section the  
24 funds transferred under subparagraph (A),  
25 without further appropriation.

1           “(2) CLIMATE STEWARDSHIP.—Of the funds  
2           made available under paragraph (1)(A), not less  
3           than 50 percent shall be used for research relating  
4           to—

5                   “(A) reducing greenhouse gas emissions  
6                   and increasing resilience in the agricultural sec-  
7                   tor;

8                   “(B) increasing carbon sequestration;

9                   “(C) improving soil health; and

10                   “(D) increasing soil carbon levels.”.

11           (k) NONLAND-GRANT COLLEGES OF AGRICULTURE  
12 PROGRAM.—Section 1473F of the Food and Agriculture  
13 Act of 1977 (7 U.S.C. 3319i) is amended—

14                   (1) in subsection (a)(1)(A), by inserting after  
15                   “agriculture” the following: “, including—

16                           “(i) reducing greenhouse gas emis-  
17                           sions and increasing resilience in the agri-  
18                           cultural sector;

19                           “(ii) increasing carbon sequestration;

20                           “(iii) improving soil health; and

21                           “(iv) increasing soil carbon levels;”;

22                   and

23                   (2) by striking subsection (b) and inserting the  
24                   following:

25                   “(b) FUNDS.—

1           “(1) IN GENERAL.—Of the funds of the Com-  
2           modity Credit Corporation, the Secretary shall use  
3           to carry out this section \$10,000,000 for each of fis-  
4           cal years 2021 through 2030, to remain available  
5           until expended.

6           “(2) CLIMATE STEWARDSHIP.—Of the funds  
7           made available under paragraph (1), the Secretary  
8           shall use not less than 50 percent to conduct the ac-  
9           tivities described in clauses (i) through (iv) of sub-  
10          section (a)(1)(A).”.

11          (l) MCINTIRE-STENNIS.—

12           (1) FUNDS.—Public Law 87–788 (commonly  
13          known as the “McIntire-Stennis Cooperative For-  
14          estry Act”) is amended by inserting after section 3  
15          (16 U.S.C. 582a–2) the following:

16          **“SEC. 3A. MANDATORY FUNDING.**

17           “(a) FUNDING.—

18           “(1) IN GENERAL.—In addition to any amounts  
19          authorized to be appropriated under section 3, on  
20          the first October 1 after the date of enactment of  
21          the Climate Stewardship Act of 2021, and on each  
22          October 1 thereafter through October 1, 2029, out  
23          of any funds in the Treasury not otherwise appro-  
24          priated, the Secretary of the Treasury shall transfer

1 to the Secretary to carry out this Act \$72,000,000,  
2 to remain available until expended.

3 “(2) RECEIPT AND ACCEPTANCE.—The Sec-  
4 retary shall be entitled to receive, shall accept, and  
5 shall use to carry out this Act the funds transferred  
6 under paragraph (1), without further appropriation.

7 “(b) CLIMATE STEWARDSHIP.—Of the funds made  
8 available under subsection (a)(1), not less than 50 percent  
9 shall be used for activities relating to—

10 “(1) reducing greenhouse gas emissions and in-  
11 creasing resilience in the agricultural sector;

12 “(2) increasing carbon sequestration;

13 “(3) improving soil health; and

14 “(4) increasing soil carbon levels.”.

15 (m) 1994 INSTITUTIONS RESEARCH.—Section 536 of  
16 the Equity in Educational Land-Grant Status Act of 1994  
17 (7 U.S.C. 301 note; Public Law 103–382) is amended by  
18 adding at the end the following:

19 “(d) MANDATORY FUNDING.—

20 “(1) IN GENERAL.—In addition to any amounts  
21 authorized to be appropriated under subsection (c),  
22 on the first October 1 after the date of enactment  
23 of the Climate Stewardship Act of 2021, and on  
24 each October 1 thereafter through October 1, 2029,  
25 out of any funds in the Treasury not otherwise ap-

1       appropriated, the Secretary of the Treasury shall  
 2       transfer to the Secretary to carry out this section  
 3       \$11,400,000, to remain available until expended.

4               “(2) RECEIPT AND ACCEPTANCE.—The Sec-  
 5       retary shall be entitled to receive, shall accept, and  
 6       shall use to carry out this section the funds trans-  
 7       ferred under paragraph (1), without further appro-  
 8       priation.

9               “(3) CLIMATE STEWARDSHIP.—Of the funds  
 10       made available under paragraph (1), not less than  
 11       50 percent shall be used for activities relating to—

12                       “(A) reducing greenhouse gas emissions  
 13                       and increasing resilience in the agricultural sec-  
 14                       tor;

15                       “(B) increasing carbon sequestration;

16                       “(C) improving soil health; and

17                       “(D) increasing soil carbon levels.”.

18       **SEC. 107. CONSERVATION TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.**

19       Section 6 of the Soil Conservation and Domestic Al-  
 20       lotment Act (16 U.S.C. 590f) is amended—

21               (1) by striking the section designation and  
 22       heading and all that follows through “There is” in  
 23       subsection (a) and inserting the following:

1 **“SEC. 6. FUNDING; CONSERVATION TECHNICAL ASSIST-**  
2 **ANCE FUND.**

3 “(a) FUNDING.—

4 “(1) MANDATORY FUNDING.—Of the funds of  
5 the Commodity Credit Corporation, the Secretary of  
6 Agriculture shall use to carry out this Act  
7 \$2,100,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2021  
8 through 2030.

9 “(2) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—  
10 There are”;

11 (2) in the undesignated matter following para-  
12 graph (2) (as so designated) of subsection (a), by  
13 striking “Appropriations” and inserting the fol-  
14 lowing:

15 “(3) AVAILABILITY OF APPROPRIATIONS FOR  
16 NURSERY STOCK.—Appropriations”; and

17 (3) by adding at the end the following:

18 “(c) PRIORITY FOR SOCIALLY DISADVANTAGED  
19 FARMERS AND RANCHERS.—In using amounts made  
20 available by subsection (a)(1) for conservation technical  
21 assistance under this Act, the Secretary of Agriculture  
22 shall give priority to socially disadvantaged farmers and  
23 ranchers (as defined in section 2501(a) of the Food, Agri-  
24 culture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 (7 U.S.C.  
25 2279(a))).”.



1 **SEC. 108. RURAL ENERGY FOR AMERICA PROGRAM.**

2 Section 9007 of the Farm Security and Rural Invest-  
3 ment Act of 2002 (7 U.S.C. 8107) is amended—

4 (1) in subsection (c)—

5 (A) in paragraph (1)(A)—

6 (i) in clause (i)(II), by striking “and”  
7 at the end;

8 (ii) in clause (ii)(III), by striking the  
9 period at the end and inserting “; and”;  
10 and

11 (iii) by adding at the end the fol-  
12 lowing:

13 “(iii) loan guarantees and grants to  
14 agricultural producers, rural small busi-  
15 nesses, and farmer-owned cooperatives to  
16 carry out solar projects that include the  
17 creation of pollinator habitat.”;

18 (B) by redesignating paragraphs (2)  
19 through (4) as paragraphs (3) through (5), re-  
20 spectively;

21 (C) by inserting after paragraph (1) the  
22 following:

23 “(2) PRIORITY.—In providing loan guarantees  
24 and grants under paragraph (1)(A), the Secretary  
25 shall give priority to solar projects that include the  
26 creation of pollinator habitat.”; and

1 (D) in subparagraph (A) of paragraph (4)  
2 (as so redesignated)—

3 (i) by striking “The amount” and in-  
4 sserting the following:

5 “(i) IN GENERAL.—Except as pro-  
6 vided in clause (ii), the amount”; and

7 (ii) by adding at the end the fol-  
8 lowing:

9 “(ii) SOLAR PROJECTS.—The amount  
10 of a grant under paragraph (1)(A)(iii)  
11 shall not exceed 60 percent of the cost of  
12 the activity carried out using funds from  
13 the grant, including the cost of the cre-  
14 ation of a pollinator habitat.”; and

15 (2) in subsection (f)—

16 (A) in paragraph (1)—

17 (i) in subparagraph (D), by striking  
18 “and” at the end;

19 (ii) in subparagraph (E), by striking  
20 “for fiscal” and all that follows through  
21 the period at the end and inserting “for  
22 each of fiscal years 2014 through 2020;”;  
23 and

24 (iii) by adding at the end the fol-  
25 lowing:

1 “(F) \$500,000,000 for fiscal year 2021;

2 “(G) \$1,000,000,000 for fiscal year 2022;

3 “(H) \$2,000,000,000 for fiscal year 2023;

4 and

5 “(I) \$3,000,000,000 for each of fiscal  
6 years 2024 through 2030.”; and

7 (B) by adding at the end the following:

8 “(4) SET-ASIDES FOR SOCIALLY DISADVAN-  
9 TAGED AND BEGINNING FARMERS AND RANCH-  
10 ERS.—Of the funds made available under paragraph  
11 (1) for each fiscal year, the Secretary shall allo-  
12 cate—

13 “(A) 5 percent to provide assistance under  
14 this section to socially disadvantaged farmers  
15 and ranchers (as defined in section 2501(a) of  
16 the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade  
17 Act of 1990 (7 U.S.C. 2279(a))); and

18 “(B) 5 percent to provide assistance under  
19 this section to beginning farmers and ranchers  
20 (as defined in that section (7 U.S.C.  
21 2279(a))).”.

22 **SEC. 109. LOCAL AGRICULTURE MARKET PROGRAM.**

23 Section 210A(i)(1) of the Agricultural Marketing Act  
24 of 1946 (7 U.S.C. 1627c(i)(1)) is amended by striking

1 “\$50,000,000 for fiscal year 2019” and inserting  
2 “\$500,000,000 for fiscal year 2021”.

3 **SEC. 110. SOIL HEALTH EQUIPMENT GRANT PROGRAM.**

4 (a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

5 (1) ELIGIBLE LAND.—The term “eligible land”  
6 means land on which agricultural commodities, live-  
7 stock, or forest-related products are produced.

8 (2) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means  
9 the Secretary of Agriculture.

10 (b) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary shall establish  
11 a program under which the Secretary shall award grants  
12 to agricultural producers to acquire equipment for the  
13 purpose of implementing climate stewardship practices (as  
14 defined in section 1240A of the Food Security Act of 1985  
15 (16 U.S.C. 3839aa–1)) on eligible land to increase soil  
16 health.

17 (c) PRIORITY.—In providing grants under subsection  
18 (b), the Secretary shall give priority to equipment for—

19 (1) projects to carry out nonchemical termi-  
20 nation of cover crops; and

21 (2) on-farm composting facilities.

22 (d) FUNDING.—

23 (1) IN GENERAL.—There is authorized to be  
24 appropriated to carry out this section \$100,000,000  
25 for each of fiscal years 2021 through 2030.

1           (2) SET-ASIDES FOR SOCIALLY DISADVANTAGED  
2           AND BEGINNING FARMERS AND RANCHERS.—Of the  
3           amount made available under paragraph (1), the  
4           Secretary shall set aside—

5                   (A) 5 percent to provide assistance to so-  
6                   cially disadvantaged farmers and ranchers (as  
7                   defined in section 2501(a) of the Food, Agri-  
8                   culture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990  
9                   (7 U.S.C. 2279(a))); and

10                   (B) 5 percent to provide assistance to be-  
11                   ginning farmers and ranchers (as defined in  
12                   that section (7 U.S.C. 2279(a))).

13 **SEC. 111. FARM AND RANCH STRESS ASSISTANCE NET-**  
14 **WORK.**

15           Section 7522 of the Food, Conservation, and Energy  
16 Act of 2008 (7 U.S.C. 5936) is amended by striking sub-  
17 section (d) and inserting the following:

18           “(d) MANDATORY FUNDING.—Of the funds of the  
19 Commodity Credit Corporation, the Secretary shall use to  
20 carry out this section \$10,000,000 for each of fiscal years  
21 2021 through 2030.”.

22 **SEC. 112. ASSISTANCE FOR COMMUNITY FOOD PROJECTS.**

23           Section 25 of the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008  
24 (7 U.S.C. 2034) is amended—

25                   (1) in subsection (b)—

1 (A) in paragraph (1), by inserting “includ-  
2 ing amounts made available under subsection  
3 (i) to carry out this section,” after “Act,”; and

4 (B) in paragraph (2)(D), by striking  
5 “\$5,000,000” and inserting “\$25,000,000”;  
6 (2) in subsection (d)—

7 (A) in paragraph (4), by striking “or” at  
8 the end;

9 (B) in paragraph (5)(C), by striking the  
10 period at the end and inserting “; or”; and

11 (C) by adding at the end the following:

12 “(6) address food security in urban low-income  
13 communities by making those communities more cli-  
14 mate resilient through the creation or expansion of  
15 urban farms, community gardens, and rooftop gar-  
16 dens that grow produce for personal use or for local  
17 sale through farm stands, farmers’ markets, commu-  
18 nity supported agriculture subscriptions, and other  
19 delivery methods.”; and

20 (3) by adding at the end the following:

21 “(i) FUNDING.—Of the funds of the Commodity  
22 Credit Corporation, the Secretary shall use to carry out  
23 this section \$25,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2020  
24 through 2030, to remain available until expended.”.

## TITLE II—FORESTS

### SEC. 201. REFORESTATION TRUST FUND.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 303 of Public Law 96–451 (16 U.S.C. 1606a) is amended—

(1) in subsection (b)—

(A) in paragraph (1), by striking “Subject to” and all that follows through “the Secretary” and inserting “The Secretary”;

(B) by striking paragraph (2); and

(C) by redesignating paragraph (3) as paragraph (2);

(2) in subsection (d)—

(A) in the matter preceding paragraph (1)—

(i) by striking the subsection designation and all that follows through “The Secretary” and inserting the following:

“(d) REFORESTATION BY SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE.—The Secretary”; and

(ii) by striking “for”;

(B) in paragraph (1)—

(i) by inserting “for” before “reforestation”; and

(ii) by striking “and” at the end;

1 (C) by redesignating paragraph (2) as  
2 paragraph (7);

3 (D) by inserting after paragraph (1) the  
4 following:

5 “(2) to the Chief of the Forest Service to refore-  
6 est, in accordance with subsection (f), National For-  
7 est System land—

8 “(A)(i) that was subject to a mortality  
9 event caused by a high-intensity wildfire, pest  
10 infestation, invasive species, disease, or drought  
11 or other extreme weather event; or

12 “(ii) to reclaim abandoned mine land, an  
13 orphaned oil or gas well, or a decommissioned  
14 logging road or landing; and

15 “(B) that is determined to be in need of  
16 active reforestation based on field surveys as-  
17 sessing regeneration potential;

18 “(3) to carry out the Reforest America Grant  
19 Program established under section 6 of the Coopera-  
20 tive Forestry Assistance Act of 1978;

21 “(4) to carry out the Forest Stewardship Prac-  
22 tice Program established under section 7B of the  
23 Cooperative Forestry Assistance Act of 1978;



1           “(5) to carry out the urban wood programs es-  
2           tablished under section 21 of the Cooperative For-  
3           estry Assistance Act of 1978;

4           “(6) to operate the Stewardship Corps estab-  
5           lished under section 206 of the Climate Stewardship  
6           Act of 2021; and”;

7                         (E) in paragraph (7) (as so redesignated),  
8           by inserting “for” before “properly”; and  
9           (3) by adding at the end the following:

10          “(e) REFORESTATION BY SECRETARY OF THE INTE-  
11          RIOR.—The Secretary of the Interior shall obligate from  
12          amounts in the Trust Fund not more than \$250,000,000  
13          for each of fiscal years 2021 through 2030, as necessary  
14          to reforest, in accordance with subsection (f)—

15                 “(1) land—

16                         “(A)(i) that was subject to a mortality  
17                         event caused by a high-intensity wildfire, pest  
18                         infestation, invasive species, disease, or drought  
19                         or other extreme weather event; or

20                         “(ii) to reclaim abandoned mine land, an  
21                         orphaned oil or gas well, or a decommissioned  
22                         logging road or landing; and

23                         “(B) that is determined to be in need of  
24                         active reforestation based on field surveys as-

1           sessing regeneration potential and is managed  
2           by the Bureau of Land Management; and

3           “(2) land that is determined to be in need of  
4           active reforestation and is managed by the Bureau  
5           of Indian Affairs, by planting—

6                   “(A) to the maximum extent practicable,  
7                   12,500,000 trees in each of calendar years  
8                   2021 and 2022;

9                   “(B) to the maximum extent practicable,  
10                  25,000,000 trees in each of calendar years  
11                  2023 and 2024;

12                  “(C) to the maximum extent practicable,  
13                  37,500,000 trees in each of calendar years  
14                  2025 and 2026; and

15                  “(D) to the maximum extent practicable,  
16                  50,000,000 trees in—

17                          “(i) each of calendar years 2027  
18                          through 2029; and

19                          “(ii) the period beginning on January  
20                          1, 2030, and ending on September 30,  
21                          2030.

22           “(f) REFORESTATION.—

23                   “(1) DEFINITION OF CONNECTIVITY.—In this  
24                   subsection, the term ‘connectivity’ means the degree

1 to which the landscape facilitates native species  
2 movement.

3 “(2) REFORESTATION.—

4 “(A) IN GENERAL.—Reforestation under  
5 subsections (d)(2) and (e) shall consist of eco-  
6 logically based site preparation, tree planting,  
7 and subsequent management using practices  
8 that—

9 “(i) are informed by climate change  
10 science and the importance of spatial pat-  
11 tern;

12 “(ii) enhance forest health, resilience,  
13 and biodiversity; and

14 “(iii) reduce vulnerability to future  
15 forest mortality and catastrophic wildfire.

16 “(B) POST-WILDFIRE REFORESTATION.—

17 In the case of reforestation under subsections  
18 (d)(2) and (e), sums available in the Trust  
19 Fund shall not be used for post-wildfire salvage  
20 logging.

21 “(3) PRIORITY.—In carrying out reforestation  
22 under subsections (d)(2) and (e), the Chief of the  
23 Forest Service and the Secretary of the Interior, as  
24 applicable, shall give priority to planting—

1           “(A) that will restore and maintain resil-  
2           ient landscapes;

3           “(B) on land on which the planting pro-  
4           vides increased habitat connectivity for wildlife;  
5           and

6           “(C) that will provide the largest potential  
7           long-term increase in carbon sequestration.

8           “(g) MANDATORY FUNDING.—To carry out para-  
9           graphs (2) through (6) of subsection (d) and subsection  
10          (e), the Secretary of the Treasury shall transfer from the  
11          general fund of the Treasury into the Trust Fund  
12          \$5,500,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2021 through  
13          2030.”.

14          (b) REGULATIONS.—Not later than 180 days after  
15          the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Agri-  
16          culture and the Secretary of the Interior shall issue regu-  
17          lations necessary to carry out the amendments made by  
18          this section.

19          **SEC. 202. REFOREST AMERICA GRANT PROGRAM.**

20          The Cooperative Forestry Assistance Act of 1978 is  
21          amended by inserting after section 5 (16 U.S.C. 2103a)  
22          the following:

23          **“SEC. 6. REFOREST AMERICA GRANT PROGRAM.**

24          “(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

1           “(1) COMMUNITY OF COLOR.—The term ‘com-  
2           munity of color’ means, in a State, a census block  
3           group in an urban area for which the aggregate per-  
4           centage of residents who identify as Black, African-  
5           American, Asian, Pacific Islander, Hispanic, Latino,  
6           other nonwhite race, or linguistically isolated is—

7                   “(A) not less than 50 percent; or

8                   “(B) is significantly higher than the State  
9           average.

10           “(2) ELIGIBLE COST.—The term ‘eligible cost’  
11           means, with respect to a project of an eligible entity  
12           under the Program—

13                   “(A) the cost of implementing a reforest-  
14           ation project, including by—

15                           “(i) planning and designing the refor-  
16                           estation activity, including considering rel-  
17                           evant science;

18                           “(ii) establishing tree nurseries;

19                           “(iii) purchasing trees; and

20                           “(iv) ecologically based site prepara-  
21                           tion, including the labor and cost associ-  
22                           ated with the use of machinery;

23                   “(B) the cost of maintaining and moni-  
24           toring planted trees for a period of up to 3

1 years to ensure successful establishment of the  
2 trees;

3 “(C) with respect to reforestation in an  
4 urban area under subsection (e) in a low in-  
5 come community that has an existing tree can-  
6 opy cover of not more than 20 percent, not  
7 more than 50 percent of the cost of the mainte-  
8 nance of any nearby tree canopy; and

9 “(D) any other relevant cost, as deter-  
10 mined by the Secretary.

11 “(3) ELIGIBLE ENTITY.—The term ‘eligible en-  
12 tity’ means—

13 “(A) a State agency;

14 “(B) a local governmental entity;

15 “(C) an Indian Tribe; and

16 “(D) a nonprofit organization.

17 “(4) ELIGIBLE LAND.—

18 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The term ‘eligible  
19 land’ means—

20 “(i) land owned in fee simple by an el-  
21 igible entity—

22 “(I)(aa) for which, at the time of  
23 application to the Program under sub-  
24 section (c), the forest stocking level of  
25 the land is less than 25 percent of re-

1 regional norms for forest properties  
2 with comparable tree species and soil  
3 characteristics; and

4 “(bb) that is in need of active re-  
5 forestation due to events such as—

6 “(AA) high-intensity wild-  
7 fire;

8 “(BB) pest infestation;

9 “(CC) invasive species; and

10 “(DD) drought and other  
11 extreme weather; or

12 “(II) that was formerly forest  
13 land and has been abandoned or in-  
14 completely reclaimed from mining,  
15 commercial development, clearing for  
16 agriculture, or other nonforest use;  
17 and

18 “(ii) with respect to reforestation in  
19 an urban area under subsection (e), land  
20 in that urban area that is owned in fee  
21 simple by an eligible entity.

22 “(B) EXCLUSION.—The term ‘eligible land’  
23 does not include land on which the eligible enti-  
24 ty conducted a timber harvest—

1           “(i) not later than 5 years before the  
2           date on which the eligible entity submits  
3           an application under subsection (c); and

4           “(ii) that resulted in a forest stocking  
5           level described in subparagraph  
6           (A)(i)(I)(aa).

7           “(5) INDIAN TRIBE.—The term ‘Indian Tribe’  
8           has the meaning given the term in section 4 of the  
9           Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance  
10          Act (25 U.S.C. 5304).

11          “(6) LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL ENTITY.—The  
12          term ‘local governmental entity’ means any munic-  
13          ipal government or county government with jurisdic-  
14          tion over local land use decisions.

15          “(7) LOW INCOME COMMUNITY.—The term ‘low  
16          income community’ means any census block group in  
17          an urban area in which not less than 30 percent of  
18          the population lives below the poverty line (as de-  
19          fined in section 673 of the Community Services  
20          Block Grant Act (42 U.S.C. 9902)).

21          “(8) NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION.—The term  
22          ‘nonprofit organization’ means an organization  
23          that—

24                  “(A) is described in section 170(h)(3) of  
25                  the Internal Revenue Code of 1986; and



1           “(B) operates in accordance with 1 or  
2           more of the purposes described in section  
3           170(h)(4)(A) of that Code.

4           “(9) PROGRAM.—The term ‘Program’ means  
5           the Reforest America Grant Program established  
6           under subsection (b)(1).

7           “(10) SECRETARY.—The term ‘Secretary’  
8           means the Secretary of Agriculture, acting through  
9           the Chief of the Forest Service.

10          “(11) URBAN AREA.—The term ‘urban area’  
11          means an area identified by the Bureau of the Cen-  
12          sus as an ‘urban area’ in the most recent census.

13          “(b) ESTABLISHMENT.—

14                 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall estab-  
15                 lish a program, to be known as the ‘Reforest Amer-  
16                 ica Grant Program’, under which the Secretary shall  
17                 award grants to eligible entities to conduct projects  
18                 to reforest eligible land in accordance with this sec-  
19                 tion.

20                 “(2) REFORESTATION.—In carrying out the  
21                 Program, the Secretary shall, to the maximum ex-  
22                 tent practicable, award sufficient grants each year to  
23                 plant—

24                         “(A) 50,000,000 trees in each of calendar  
25                         years 2021 and 2022;

1           “(B) 100,000,000 trees in each of calendar  
2 years 2023 and 2024;

3           “(C) 150,000,000 trees in each of calendar  
4 years 2025 and 2026; and

5           “(D) 250,000,000 trees in—

6                 “(i) each of calendar years 2027  
7 through 2029; and

8                 “(ii) the period beginning on January  
9 1, 2030, and ending on September 30,  
10 2030.

11         “(c) APPLICATIONS.—

12                 “(1) IN GENERAL.—An eligible entity that  
13 seeks to receive a grant under the Program shall  
14 submit an application at such time, in such form,  
15 and containing such information as the Secretary  
16 may require, including the information described in  
17 paragraph (2), to—

18                 “(A) the State forester or equivalent offi-  
19 cial of the State in which the eligible entity is  
20 located; or

21                 “(B) in the case of an eligible entity that  
22 is an Indian Tribe, an official of the governing  
23 body of the Indian Tribe.

24                 “(2) CONTENTS.—An application submitted  
25 under paragraph (1) shall include—

1           “(A) the reason that the forest stocking  
2 level of the land is less than 25 percent of re-  
3 gional norms for forest properties with com-  
4 parable tree species and soil characteristics, if  
5 applicable;

6           “(B) the natural, economic, and environ-  
7 mental benefits of returning the eligible land to  
8 forested condition;

9           “(C) an estimate of the annual carbon se-  
10 questration that will be achieved by the re-  
11 planted forests, using processes determined by  
12 the Secretary;

13           “(D) a reforestation plan that includes—

14                   “(i) a list of expected eligible costs;

15                   “(ii) a description of the site prepara-  
16 tion and the tree species to be planted;

17                   “(iii) a description of the manner in  
18 which the design of the project is informed  
19 by climate change science and will enhance  
20 forest health, resilience, and biodiversity;

21                   “(iv) an explanation of the manner in  
22 which the land will be maintained for 36  
23 months after planting to ensure successful  
24 establishment; and

1           “(v) an explanation of the manner in  
 2           which the land will be managed later than  
 3           36 months after planting, including wheth-  
 4           er that management shall include a timber  
 5           harvest;

6           “(E) in the case of an application for an  
 7           urban reforestation project under subsection  
 8           (e)—

9           “(i) a description of the manner in  
 10          which the tree planting shall address dis-  
 11          parities in local environmental quality,  
 12          such as lower tree canopy cover; and

13          “(ii) a description of the anticipated  
 14          community and stakeholder engagement in  
 15          the project; and

16          “(F) any other relevant information re-  
 17          quired by the Secretary.

18          “(3) APPLICATIONS TO SECRETARY.—Each offi-  
 19          cial that receives an application under paragraph (1)  
 20          shall submit the application to the Secretary with a  
 21          description of the application and any other relevant  
 22          information that the Secretary may require.

23          “(d) PRIORITY.—

24          “(1) DEFINITION OF CONNECTIVITY.—In this  
 25          subsection, the term ‘connectivity’ means the degree

1 to which the landscape facilitates native species  
2 movement.

3 “(2) PRIORITY.—In awarding grants under the  
4 Program, the Secretary shall give priority—

5 “(A) to projects that provide the largest  
6 potential increase in carbon sequestration per  
7 dollar;

8 “(B) to projects that provide increased  
9 habitat connectivity for wildlife;

10 “(C) to projects under which an eligible  
11 entity will enter into a contract or cooperative  
12 agreement with 1 or more qualified youth or  
13 conservation corps (as the term is defined in  
14 section 203 of Public Law 91–378 (commonly  
15 known as the ‘Youth Conservation Corps Act of  
16 1970’) (16 U.S.C. 1722)); and

17 “(D) in the case of urban reforestation  
18 projects under subsection (e), to projects that—

19 “(i) are located in a community of  
20 color or a low-income community;

21 “(ii) are located in a neighborhood  
22 with poor local environmental quality, in-  
23 cluding lower tree canopy cover and higher  
24 maximum daytime summer temperatures;

1           “(iii) are located in a neighborhood  
2           with high amounts of senior citizens or  
3           children;

4           “(iv) are located immediately adjacent  
5           to large numbers of residents;

6           “(v) will collaboratively engage neigh-  
7           bors and community members that will be  
8           closely affected by the tree planting in as  
9           many aspects of project development and  
10          implementation as possible; and

11          “(vi) will employ a substantial per-  
12          centage of the workforce locally, with a  
13          focus on engaging unemployed and under-  
14          employed persons in communities of color  
15          and low-income communities.

16          “(e) URBAN REFORESTATION.—

17                 “(1) IN GENERAL.—In carrying out the Pro-  
18                 gram, the Secretary shall award sufficient grants  
19                 each year to projects carried out in urban areas to  
20                 plant, to the maximum extent practicable—

21                         “(A) 5,000,000 trees in each of calendar  
22                         years 2021 through 2023;

23                         “(B) 10,000,000 trees in each of calendar  
24                         years 2024 through 2027; and

1           “(C) 15,000,000 trees in each of calendar  
2           years 2028 through 2030.

3           “(2) FEDERAL SHARE.—The Secretary shall  
4           award a grant to an eligible entity under the Pro-  
5           gram to conduct a reforestation project in an urban  
6           area in an amount equal to not more than 90 per-  
7           cent of the cost of reforesting the eligible land, as  
8           determined by the Secretary.

9           “(3) MATCHING REQUIREMENT.—As a condi-  
10          tion of receiving a grant described in paragraph (2),  
11          an eligible entity shall provide, in cash or through  
12          in-kind contributions from non-Federal sources,  
13          matching funds in an amount equal to not less than  
14          10 percent of the cost of reforesting the eligible  
15          land, as determined by the Secretary.

16          “(f) PROHIBITED CONVERSION TO NONFOREST  
17          USE.—

18                 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to paragraphs (2)  
19                 and (3), an eligible entity that receives a grant  
20                 under the Program shall not sell or convert land  
21                 that was reforested under the Program to nonforest  
22                 use.

23                 “(2) REIMBURSEMENT OF FUNDS.—An eligible  
24                 entity that receives a grant under this Program and  
25                 sells or converts land that was reforested under the

1 Program to nonforest use shall pay to the Federal  
2 Government an amount equal to the greater of—

3 “(A) the amount of the grant; and

4 “(B) the current appraised value of timber  
5 stocks on that land.

6 “(3) LOSS OF ELIGIBILITY.—An eligible entity  
7 that receives a grant under this Program and sells  
8 or converts land that was reforested under the Pro-  
9 gram to nonforest use shall not be eligible for addi-  
10 tional grants under the Program.

11 “(g) COSTS.—

12 “(1) FEDERAL SHARE.—Unless otherwise pro-  
13 vided under this section, the Secretary shall award  
14 a grant to an eligible entity under the Program in  
15 an amount equal to not more than 75 percent of the  
16 cost of reforesting the eligible land, as determined by  
17 the Secretary.

18 “(2) MATCHING REQUIREMENT.—Unless other-  
19 wise provided under this section, as a condition of  
20 receiving a grant under the Program, an eligible en-  
21 tity shall provide, in cash or through in-kind con-  
22 tributions from non-Federal sources, matching funds  
23 in an amount equal to not less than 25 percent of  
24 the cost of reforesting the eligible land, as deter-  
25 mined by the Secretary.



1       “(h) PLANTING SURVIVAL.—An eligible entity that  
2 receives a grant under the Program shall—

3           “(1) not later than 36 months after planting  
4 has been completed using the grant funds, submit to  
5 the responsible State or Tribal official, as applicable,  
6 a monitoring report that describes project implemen-  
7 tation, including the survival rate of all plantings  
8 made under the grant; and

9           “(2) if the survival rate reported in the moni-  
10 toring report under paragraph (1) is, after 36  
11 months, less than the required minimum survival  
12 rate for the geographic area in which the planting  
13 is located, as determined by a State forester or  
14 equivalent State or Tribal official, as applicable, re-  
15 plant tree seedlings in a quantity equivalent to half  
16 of the original planting, using comparable means to  
17 the original planting.

18       “(i) PREVAILING WAGE REQUIREMENT.—Any con-  
19 tractor or subcontractor entering into a service contract  
20 in connection with a project under the Program shall—

21           “(1) be treated as a Federal contractor or sub-  
22 contractor for purposes of chapter 67 of title 41,  
23 United States Code (commonly known as the  
24 ‘McNamara-O’Hara Service Contract Act of 1965’);  
25 and

1           “(2) pay each class of employee employed by  
2           the contractor or subcontractor wages and fringe  
3           benefits at rates in accordance with prevailing rates  
4           for the class in the locality, or, where a collective-  
5           bargaining agreement covers the employee, in ac-  
6           cordance with the rates provided for in the agree-  
7           ment, including prospective wage increases provided  
8           for in the agreement.

9           “(j) REPORT.—The Secretary shall annually submit  
10          to the relevant committees of Congress a report that de-  
11          scribes the activities of the Program, including the total  
12          amount of carbon sequestered by replanted forests during  
13          the year covered by the report.

14          “(k) FUNDING.—

15                 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Of the funds of the Refor-  
16          estation Trust Fund established under section 303  
17          of Public Law 96–451 (16 U.S.C. 1606a), the Sec-  
18          retary shall use such sums as are necessary to carry  
19          out the Program.

20                 “(2) ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS AND TECHNICAL  
21          ASSISTANCE.—Of the funds used under paragraph  
22          (1), the Secretary shall allocate not more than 10  
23          percent for each fiscal year to State foresters or  
24          equivalent officials, including equivalent officials of

1 Indian Tribes, for administrative costs and technical  
2 assistance under the Program.”.

3 **SEC. 203. FUNDING FOR THE COMMUNITY FOREST AND**  
4 **OPEN SPACE CONSERVATION PROGRAM.**

5 In addition to amounts otherwise made available, of  
6 the funds of the Reforestation Trust Fund established  
7 under section 303 of Public Law 96–451 (16 U.S.C.  
8 1606a), the Secretary of Agriculture shall use  
9 \$100,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2021 through 2030  
10 to carry out the community forest and open space con-  
11 servation program established under section 7A of the Co-  
12 operative Forestry Assistance Act of 1978 (16 U.S.C.  
13 2103d).

14 **SEC. 204. FOREST STEWARDSHIP PRACTICE PROGRAM.**

15 The Cooperative Forestry Assistance Act of 1978 is  
16 amended by inserting after section 7A (16 U.S.C. 2103d)  
17 the following:

18 **“SEC. 7B. FOREST STEWARDSHIP PRACTICE PROGRAM.**

19 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall establish a  
20 Forest Stewardship Practice Program (referred to in this  
21 section as the ‘program’) to provide funding to carry out  
22 forest practices determined by the Secretary to increase  
23 carbon sequestration and storage on private forest land,  
24 including extended timber harvest rotations.

1       “(b) PRACTICES AND PAYMENT RATES.—The Sec-  
2 retary shall—

3               “(1) establish a schedule of eligible forest prac-  
4 tices and payment rates under the program, cali-  
5 brated to forest type and other relevant consider-  
6 ations; and

7               “(2) update the schedule established under  
8 paragraph (1) annually with statistical sampling of  
9 projects funded under the program.

10       “(c) PRIORITY.—In awarding funding under the pro-  
11 gram, the Secretary shall give priority to projects that  
12 incentivize the largest quantity of carbon sequestration  
13 and storage by—

14               “(1) increasing timber harvest intervals; and

15               “(2) removing less carbon during timber har-  
16 vest operations.

17       “(d) FUNDING.—Of the funds of the Reforestation  
18 Trust Fund established under section 303 of Public Law  
19 96–451 (16 U.S.C. 1606a), the Secretary shall use not  
20 more than \$1,000,000,000 for each fiscal year to carry  
21 out this section.”.

22 **SEC. 205. URBAN WOOD PROGRAMS.**

23       (a) IN GENERAL.—The Cooperative Forestry Assist-  
24 ance Act of 1978 (16 U.S.C. 2101 et seq.) is amended  
25 by adding at the end the following:

1 **“SEC. 21. URBAN WOOD PROGRAMS.**

2 “(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

3 “(1) INNOVATIVE URBAN WOOD PRODUCT.—

4 The term ‘innovative urban wood product’ means a  
5 wood product that uses wood residues and byprod-  
6 ucts from urban forest management, building  
7 deconstruction, and other related sources of wood  
8 generated in urban areas.

9 “(2) SECRETARY.—The term ‘Secretary’ means  
10 the Secretary, acting through the Research and De-  
11 velopment Deputy Area and the State and Private  
12 Forestry Deputy Area of the Forest Service.

13 “(3) WOOD PRODUCT.—The term ‘wood prod-  
14 uct’ includes—

15 “(A) building material made of wood;

16 “(B) a durable home product made of  
17 wood; and

18 “(C) a woody residue used for bioenergy.

19 “(b) URBAN WOOD RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT  
20 PROGRAM.—

21 “(1) DEFINITION OF ELIGIBLE ENTITY.—In  
22 this subsection, the term ‘eligible entity’ means—

23 “(A) a unit of State, Tribal, or local gov-  
24 ernment;

25 “(B) a land-grant college or university (as  
26 defined in section 1404 of the National Agricul-

1           tural Research, Extension, and Teaching Policy  
2           Act of 1977 (7 U.S.C. 3103)) or other institu-  
3           tion of higher education;

4                   “(C) a nonprofit organization; and

5                   “(D) any other entity, as determined by  
6           the Secretary.

7           “(2) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary shall es-  
8           tablish a program to facilitate the use of innovative  
9           urban wood products in incorporated cities and  
10          towns in the United States by—

11                   “(A) conducting performance-driven re-  
12           search and development relating to the potential  
13           sources and uses of urban wood products;

14                   “(B) providing education and technical as-  
15           sistance to eligible entities relating to the poten-  
16           tial sources and uses of urban wood products;  
17           and

18                   “(C) awarding grants under paragraph  
19           (5).

20          “(3) COLLABORATION.—In carrying out the  
21          program established under paragraph (2), the Sec-  
22          retary shall obtain input and guidance from, and  
23          collaborate with—

24                   “(A) the wood products industry;

25                   “(B) conservation organizations;

1                   “(C) community organizations; and

2                   “(D) institutions of higher education.

3                   “(4) RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT, EDU-  
4                   CATION, AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.—The Sec-  
5                   retary shall carry out subparagraphs (A) and (B) of  
6                   paragraph (2) at the Forest Products Laboratory of  
7                   the Department of Agriculture or through the State  
8                   and Private Forestry Deputy Area in a manner that  
9                   meets the needs of municipalities, private companies,  
10                  trade and technical schools, and other entities that  
11                  work with urban wood.

12                  “(5) GRANTS.—After obtaining input and guid-  
13                  ance from the entities described in paragraph (3),  
14                  the Secretary shall award grants on a competitive  
15                  basis to eligible entities to conduct research and de-  
16                  velopment and provide education and technical as-  
17                  sistance that—

18                         “(A) increases the use of urban wood; and

19                         “(B) provides increased employment oppor-  
20                         tunities in the urban wood industry and related  
21                         fields.

22                  “(6) PRIORITIES.—In carrying out the program  
23                  established under paragraph (2), the Secretary shall  
24                  give priority to projects and activities that—

1           “(A)(i) identify new products that can be  
2           created from urban wood; or

3           “(ii) improve on existing processes to  
4           produce innovative urban wood products with  
5           greater efficiency and quality;

6           “(B) facilitate improved commercialization  
7           of innovative urban wood products;

8           “(C) engage unemployed and under-  
9           employed persons in disadvantaged communities  
10          in worker training, full-time employment, and  
11          incubation of new commercial enterprises; and

12          “(D) increase the carbon mitigation benefit  
13          of the management of urban wood, as measured  
14          by the lifecycle environmental footprint of a  
15          wood product or production process, beginning  
16          with the collection of raw urban wood materials  
17          and ending with the manufacturing process.

18          “(7) TIMEFRAME.—To the maximum extent  
19          practicable, the measurable performance goals for  
20          the research and development, education, and tech-  
21          nical assistance conducted under the program estab-  
22          lished under paragraph (2) shall be achievable with-  
23          in a 10-year timeframe beginning on the date of es-  
24          tablishment of the program.



1       “(c) URBAN WOOD BUILDING COMPETITION.—Be-  
2     ginning in fiscal year 2021, the Secretary shall carry out  
3     an annual competition, in accordance with section 24 of  
4     the Stevenson-Wydler Technology Innovation Act of 1980  
5     (15 U.S.C. 3719), for—

6               “(1) innovative urban wood products and manu-  
7     facturing processes; or

8               “(2) other innovative wood product demonstra-  
9     tions.

10       “(d) FUNDING.—Of the funds of the Reforestation  
11     Trust Fund established under section 303 of Public Law  
12     96–451 (16 U.S.C. 1606a), the Secretary shall use  
13     \$35,000,000 each fiscal year to carry out this section.”.

14       (b) URBAN WOOD INNOVATION GRANTS.—Section  
15     8643 of the Agriculture Improvement Act of 2018 (7  
16     U.S.C. 7655d) is amended—

17               (1) in subsection (a)—

18                     (A) by redesignating paragraph (2) as  
19             paragraph (3); and

20                     (B) by inserting after paragraph (1) the  
21             following:

22               “(2) INNOVATIVE URBAN WOOD PRODUCT.—  
23     The term ‘innovative urban wood product’ means a  
24     wood product that uses wood residues and byprod-  
25     ucts from urban forest management, building

1 deconstruction, and other related sources of wood  
2 generated in urban areas.”;

3 (2) in subsection (b)—

4 (A) in paragraph (1), by striking “(Octo-  
5 ber 20, 2015)), may” and inserting the fol-  
6 lowing: “(October 20, 2015))—

7 “(A) may”;

8 (B) in subparagraph (A) (as so des-  
9 ignated), by striking the period at the end and  
10 inserting “; and”; and

11 (C) by adding at the end the following:

12 “(B) shall, to the maximum extent prac-  
13 ticable, award 1 or more wood innovation  
14 grants each year to eligible entities for the pur-  
15 pose of advancing the use of innovative urban  
16 wood products.”; and

17 (3) in subsection (e), by striking “under sub-  
18 section (b)(2)” and inserting “for grants under sub-  
19 section (b)(1)(A)”.

20 **SEC. 206. STEWARDSHIP CORPS.**

21 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Agriculture (re-  
22 ferred to in this section as the “Secretary”), in consulta-  
23 tion with the Secretary of the Interior, shall establish a  
24 civilian conservation corps, to be known as the “Steward-  
25 ship Corps” (referred to in this section as the “Steward-

1 ship Corps’), to provide youth with the academic, voca-  
2 tional, and social skills necessary to pursue long term, pro-  
3 ductive careers in the forest sector and the wetland res-  
4 toration sector.

5 (b) PRIORITY REQUIREMENT.—To the maximum ex-  
6 tent practicable, the Secretary shall prioritize recruitment  
7 for the Stewardship Corps of youth from—

- 8 (1) low-income communities;
- 9 (2) indigenous communities; and
- 10 (3) communities of color.

11 (c) REFORESTATION AND RESTORATION ON FED-  
12 ERAL LAND.—To the maximum extent practicable, mem-  
13 bers of the Stewardship Corps shall perform—

14 (1)(A) in each of calendar years 2021 through  
15 2025, not less than 20 percent of the reforestation  
16 required under subsections (d)(2) and (e) of section  
17 303 of Public Law 96–451 (16 U.S.C. 1606a); and

18 (B) in calendar years 2026 and each calendar  
19 year thereafter, not less than 40 percent of the re-  
20 forestation described in subparagraph (A); and

21 (2)(A) in each of calendar years 2021 through  
22 2025, not less than 20 percent of the wetlands res-  
23 toration required under section 307; and

1 (B) in calendar year 2026 and each calendar  
2 year thereafter, not less than 40 percent of the wet-  
3 lands restoration described in subparagraph (A).

4 (d) DURATION OF PARTICIPATION.—An individual  
5 shall serve in the Stewardship Corps for not more than  
6 2 years.

7 (e) HOUSING AND CARE.—The Secretary shall pro-  
8 vide to each member of the Stewardship Corps housing,  
9 subsistence, clothing, medical attention (including hos-  
10 pitalization), transportation, and a cash allowance, as de-  
11 termined necessary by the Secretary.

12 (f) COMPENSATION.—Members of the Stewardship  
13 Corps shall be paid at a rate in accordance with the pre-  
14 vailing rate for a similar class of Federal employees in the  
15 locality.

16 (g) JOB PLACEMENT.—The Secretary shall assist  
17 members of the Stewardship Corps with obtaining employ-  
18 ment in the forest sector and the wetlands restoration sec-  
19 tor on the completion of service under the Stewardship  
20 Corps.

## 21 **TITLE III—COASTAL WETLAND**

### 22 **SEC. 301. DEFINITIONS.**

23 In this title:

24 (1) ADMINISTRATOR.—The term “Adminis-  
25 trator” means the Under Secretary of Commerce for

1 Oceans and Atmosphere and Administrator of the  
2 National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

3 (2) COASTAL WETLAND.—The term “coastal  
4 wetland” means estuarine vegetated coastal habitat,  
5 including salt marsh, seagrass, mangrove, and other  
6 vegetated marine habitats.

7 (3) INDIAN TRIBE.—The term “Indian Tribe”  
8 has the meaning given the term in section 4 of the  
9 Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance  
10 Act (25 U.S.C. 5304).

11 (4) INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION.—The  
12 term “institution of higher education” has the  
13 meaning given that term in section 101 of the High-  
14 er Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1001).

15 (5) NATURAL INFRASTRUCTURE.—The term  
16 “natural infrastructure” means infrastructure  
17 that—

18 (A) uses, restores, or emulates natural eco-  
19 logical processes; and

20 (B)(i) is created through the action of nat-  
21 ural physical, geological, biological, and chem-  
22 ical processes over time;

23 (ii) is created by human design, engineer-  
24 ing, and construction to emulate or act in con-  
25 cert with natural processes; or

1 (iii) involves the use of plants, soils, and  
2 other natural features, including through the  
3 creation, restoration, or preservation of vege-  
4 tated areas using materials appropriate to the  
5 area.

6 (6) NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION.—The term  
7 “nonprofit organization” means an organization that  
8 is described in section 501(c) of the Internal Rev-  
9 enue Code of 1986 and exempt from tax under sec-  
10 tion 501(a) of such Code.

11 (7) PROGRAM.—The term “Program” means  
12 the Coastal and Estuary Resilience Grant Program  
13 as established by section 302.

14 (8) RESTORATION.—The term “restoration”  
15 means renewing, enhancing, or replacing degraded,  
16 damaged, vulnerable, or destroyed wetlands to im-  
17 prove the ecosystem function and resilience through  
18 active human intervention and action, such as—

19 (A) improving hydrological conditions  
20 (such as by removing tidal barriers, improving  
21 connectivity, or changing water levels);

22 (B) altering sediment supply (such as  
23 through the beneficial use of dredge material,  
24 thin-layer spraying, or reconnecting river sedi-  
25 ment);

1 (C) changing salinity characteristics;

2 (D) improving water quality (such as by  
3 reducing excess nutrients, sedimentation, or  
4 contaminants);

5 (E) planting of native plants, removal of  
6 invasive species, and other improved manage-  
7 ment practices;

8 (F) controlling erosion of wetland edges;  
9 and

10 (G) enabling future inland migration as  
11 sea levels rise, including through the enhance-  
12 ment of adjacent fresh water wetlands.

13 (9) STATE.—The term “State” means a State,  
14 the District of Columbia, or any territory or posses-  
15 sion of the United States.

16 **SEC. 302. COASTAL AND ESTUARY RESILIENCE GRANT PRO-**  
17 **GRAM.**

18 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary of Commerce  
19 shall establish a program, to be known as the “Coastal  
20 and Estuary Resilience Grant Program”, under which the  
21 Secretary awards grants to entities that eligible under  
22 subsection (b) to fund coastal wetland restoration projects  
23 that are eligible under subsection (c).

24 (b) ELIGIBLE ENTITIES.—An entity is eligible to  
25 apply for a grant under the Program if the entity is an

1 institution of higher education, a nonprofit organization,  
2 a State or local government, or an Indian Tribe.

3 (c) ELIGIBLE PROJECTS.—A project is eligible for a  
4 grant under the Program if the project is designed to re-  
5 duce net greenhouse gases through one of the following:

6 (1) The sequestration of additional carbon diox-  
7 ide through—

8 (A) the active restoration of degraded  
9 coastal wetland; and

10 (B) the protection of threatened coastal  
11 wetland.

12 (2) The halting of ongoing carbon dioxide emis-  
13 sions, and the resumption of the natural rate of car-  
14 bon capture, through the restoration of drained  
15 coastal wetland.

16 (3) The halting of ongoing methane emissions,  
17 and the resumption of the natural rate of carbon  
18 storage, through the restoration of formerly tidal  
19 wetland that has lost tidal connectivity and become  
20 fresh wetland (commonly known as “impounded wet-  
21 land”).

22 (d) GRANT EVALUATION CRITERIA.—In reviewing  
23 applications for grants under the Program, the Secretary  
24 shall give priority to projects that exhibit the highest po-  
25 tential to—



- 1 (1) mitigate greenhouse gas emissions by—
  - 2 (A) reducing greenhouse gas emissions; or
  - 3 (B) capturing and storing greenhouse
  - 4 gases;
- 5 (2) reinforce ecosystem resilience and adapta-  
6 tion by—
  - 7 (A) preparing for sea level rise in order to
  - 8 reduce vulnerability to sea level rise and ero-
  - 9 sion;
  - 10 (B) supporting resilience against flooding
  - 11 and sea level rise; or
  - 12 (C) restoring or enhancing ecosystem func-
  - 13 tion; or
- 14 (3) provide economic and social co-benefits by—
  - 15 (A) reducing the potential impact and
  - 16 damage of storms on the built environment;
  - 17 (B) advancing environmental justice by re-
  - 18 ducing the disproportionate impacts of environ-
  - 19 mental hazards on communities of color, indige-
  - 20 nous communities, and low-income commu-
  - 21 nities;
  - 22 (C) providing jobs in coastal communities;
  - 23 (D) including elements of natural infra-
  - 24 structure;

1           (E) incorporating collaborative partner-  
2           ships; or

3           (F) involving local communities in project  
4           planning and implementation.

5       (e) MATCHING FUNDS.—

6           (1) INCLUSION IN APPLICATIONS.—An eligible  
7           entity under subsection (b) may include in an appli-  
8           cation for a grant under the Program a commitment  
9           to provide non-Federal resources (including in-kind  
10          contributions and volunteer hours) to match the  
11          amount of grant.

12          (2) CONSIDERATION.—In reviewing an applica-  
13          tion for a grant under the Program, the Secretary  
14          may consider the inclusion of a commitment under  
15          paragraph (1) but may not require such a commit-  
16          ment as a condition of receiving a grant.

17       (f) ELIGIBLE COSTS.—A grant awarded under the  
18       Program shall be available for all phases of the develop-  
19       ment, implementation, and monitoring of projects that are  
20       eligible under subsection (c), including—

21           (1) preliminary community engagement, plan-  
22           ning, and prioritization;

23           (2) preliminary design and site assessment, in-  
24           cluding—

25           (A) assessments of feasibility;

- 1 (B) planning; and
- 2 (C) community engagement;
- 3 (3) final design and permitting;
- 4 (4) restoration and project implementation; and
- 5 (5) monitoring, reporting, and stewardship.

6 (g) REPORTING.—

7 (1) IN GENERAL.—An entity that receives a  
8 grant under the Program for a project shall—

9 (A) collect data on the development and  
10 implementation of the project and stewardship  
11 following completion of the project; and

12 (B) submit that data to the Administrator  
13 for inclusion in the database required by section  
14 303(a).

15 (2) REPORT AFTER PROJECT COMPLETION.—

16 Not later than 1 year after the completion of a  
17 project for which a grant is provided under the Pro-  
18 gram, the entity that received the grant shall submit  
19 to the Administrator a report on the outputs, out-  
20 comes, and impacts of the project, including with re-  
21 spect to—

- 22 (A) the amount of area restored;
- 23 (B) the estimated net climate benefit;
- 24 (C) benefits to nearby communities; and

1 (D) involvement of partners and commu-  
2 nities.

3 (h) MONITORING.—The Secretary shall establish  
4 guidelines providing for monitoring a project for which a  
5 grant is provided under the Program for the 10-year pe-  
6 riod after the grant is awarded.

7 (i) ROLE OF NATIONAL FISH AND WILDLIFE FOUN-  
8 DATION.—In carrying out the Program, the Secretary may  
9 consult, partner, or otherwise coordinate with the National  
10 Fish and Wildlife Foundation established by section 2(a)  
11 of the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Establish-  
12 ment Act (16 U.S.C. 3701(a)).

13 **SEC. 303. DATA COLLECTION.**

14 (a) DATABASE.—

15 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Administrator shall  
16 maintain a coastal wetland restoration database to  
17 collect information about projects that receive grants  
18 under the Program.

19 (2) DESIGN.—The Administrator shall design  
20 the database required by paragraph (1) to collect  
21 performance metrics on the development and imple-  
22 mentation of projects that receive grants under the  
23 Program and stewardship following completion of  
24 such projects to evaluate the success of those

1 projects and inform the design of future projects in  
2 an adaptive manner.

3 (3) INCLUDED METRICS.—The database re-  
4 quired by paragraph (1) shall include standardized  
5 metrics for reporting such as—

6 (A) acres restored, protected, or created;

7 (B) habitat type;

8 (C) restoration technique;

9 (D) estimated net greenhouse gas reduc-  
10 tion effect;

11 (E) jobs created;

12 (F) quantified ecosystem services; and

13 (G) other metrics selected by the Adminis-  
14 trator.

15 (4) PUBLIC AVAILABILITY.—The Administrator  
16 shall make products of the database publicly avail-  
17 able and disseminate important findings to the pub-  
18 lic.

19 (5) PRIVACY.—To protect the privacy of private  
20 landowners, the Administrator shall ensure that any  
21 data collected from private landowners under this  
22 section are anonymized before the data are made  
23 publicly available.

24 (b) INVENTORY OF COASTAL WETLAND.—The Ad-  
25 ministrator shall compile an inventory of coastal wetland.

1 **SEC. 304. OUTREACH AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.**

2 The Administrator shall establish a technical assist-  
3 ance program to help entities outside of the National Oce-  
4 anic and Atmospheric Administration in all phases of  
5 coastal wetland restoration project work, including out-  
6 reach to potential applicants for grants under section 302.

7 **SEC. 305. ANNUAL RESTORATION AND FUNDING.**

8 (a) ACREAGE REQUIREMENTS.—To the maximum ex-  
9 tent practicable, the Secretary of Commerce shall award  
10 grants under the Program to conduct coastal wetland res-  
11 toration on 1,500,000 acres over 10 years, as follows:

12 (1) On 50,000 acres in each of fiscal years  
13 2021 and 2022.

14 (2) On 100,000 acres in each of fiscal years  
15 2023 and 2024.

16 (3) On 150,000 acres in each of fiscal years  
17 2025 and 2026.

18 (4) On 225,000 acres in each of fiscal years  
19 2027 through 2030.

20 (b) FUNDING.—

21 (1) IN GENERAL.—On October 1 of each fiscal  
22 year, out of any funds in the Treasury not otherwise  
23 appropriated, the Secretary of the Treasury shall  
24 transfer to the Secretary of Commerce to provide  
25 grants under the Program, to remain available until  
26 expended—

1 (A) \$1,250,000,000 for each of fiscal years  
2 2021 and 2022;

3 (B) \$2,500,000,000 for each of fiscal years  
4 2023 and 2024;

5 (C) \$3,750,000,000 for each of fiscal years  
6 2025 and 2026; and

7 (D) \$5,625,000,000 for each of fiscal years  
8 2027 through 2030.

9 (2) RECEIPT AND ACCEPTANCE.—The Sec-  
10 retary of Commerce shall be entitled to receive, shall  
11 accept, and shall use to provide grants under the  
12 Program in accordance with paragraph (1) the funds  
13 transferred under that paragraph, without further  
14 appropriation.

15 (c) SUPPLEMENT NOT SUPPLANT.—The amount au-  
16 thorized to be appropriated by subsection (a) shall supple-  
17 ment and not supplant other amounts available to the Sec-  
18 retary of Commerce.

19 **SEC. 306. PREVAILING WAGE REQUIREMENT.**

20 Any contractor or subcontractor entering into a serv-  
21 ice contract in connection with a project under the Pro-  
22 gram shall—

23 (1) be treated as a Federal contractor or sub-  
24 contractor for purposes of chapter 67 of title 41,  
25 United States Code (commonly known as the

1 “McNamara-O’Hara Service Contract Act of  
2 1965”); and

3 (2) pay each class of employee employed by the  
4 contractor or subcontractor wages and fringe bene-  
5 fits at rates in accordance with prevailing rates for  
6 the class in the locality, or, where a collective-bar-  
7 gaining agreement covers the employee, in accord-  
8 ance with the rates provided for in the agreement,  
9 including prospective wage increases provided for in  
10 the agreement.

11 **SEC. 307. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR COASTAL WET-**  
12 **LAND RESTORATION; FUNDING.**

13 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Interior shall  
14 conduct coastal wetland restoration on land managed by  
15 the Secretary of the Interior to achieve at least 1 of the  
16 following:

17 (1) The sequestration of additional carbon diox-  
18 ide through—

19 (A) the active restoration of degraded  
20 coastal wetland; and

21 (B) the protection of threatened coastal  
22 wetland.

23 (2) The halting of ongoing carbon dioxide emis-  
24 sions, and the resumption of the natural rate of car-



1 bon capture, through the restoration of drained  
2 coastal wetland.

3 (3) The halting of ongoing methane emissions,  
4 and the resumption of the natural rate of carbon  
5 storage, through the restoration of formerly tidal  
6 wetland that has lost tidal connectivity and become  
7 fresh wetland (commonly known as “impounded wet-  
8 land”).

9 (b) ACREAGE REQUIREMENTS.—To the maximum ex-  
10 tent practicable, the Secretary of the Interior shall con-  
11 duct coastal wetland restoration under subsection (a)—

12 (1) on land managed by the Director of the  
13 United States Fish and Wildlife Service—

14 (A) on 10,000 acres in each of fiscal years  
15 2021 and 2022;

16 (B) on 20,000 acres in each of fiscal years  
17 2023 and 2024; and

18 (C) on 30,000 acres in fiscal year 2025  
19 and each fiscal year thereafter; and

20 (2) on land managed by the Director of the Na-  
21 tional Park Service—

22 (A) on 10,000 acres in each of fiscal years  
23 2021 and 2022;

24 (B) on 20,000 acres in each of fiscal years  
25 2023 and 2024;

1 (C) on 40,000 acres in each of fiscal years  
2 2025 and 2026;

3 (D) on 80,000 acres in each of fiscal years  
4 2027 and 2028; and

5 (E) on 160,000 acres in each of fiscal  
6 years 2029 and 2030.

7 (c) FUNDING.—

8 (1) IN GENERAL.—On October 1 of each fiscal  
9 year, out of any funds in the Treasury not otherwise  
10 appropriated, the Secretary of the Treasury shall  
11 transfer to the Secretary of the Interior to carry out  
12 this section, to remain available until expended—

13 (A) for coastal wetland restoration on land  
14 managed by the Director of the United States  
15 Fish and Wildlife Service—

16 (i) \$250,000,000 for each of fiscal  
17 years 2021 and 2022;

18 (ii) \$500,000,000 for each of fiscal  
19 years 2023 and 2024; and

20 (iii) \$750,000,000 for each of fiscal  
21 years 2025 through 2030; and

22 (B) for coastal wetland restoration on land  
23 managed by the Director of the National Park  
24 Service—

1 (i) \$250,000,000 for each of fiscal  
2 years 2021 and 2022;

3 (ii) \$500,000,000 for each of fiscal  
4 years 2023 and 2024;

5 (iii) \$1,000,000,000 for each of fiscal  
6 years 2025 and 2026;

7 (iv) \$2,000,000,000 for each of fiscal  
8 years 2027 and 2028; and

9 (v) \$4,000,000,000 for each of fiscal  
10 years 2029 and 2030.

11 (2) RECEIPT AND ACCEPTANCE.—The Sec-  
12 retary of the Interior shall be entitled to receive,  
13 shall accept, and shall use to carry out this section  
14 in accordance with paragraph (1) the funds trans-  
15 ferred under that paragraph, without further appro-  
16 priation.

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