

LANDOWNER GUIDE TO CARBON PROJECTS

Carbon Finance for Reforestation and Afforestation

After wildfires and other disturbances, forests often go unplanted and land remains in a degraded state. The Climate Trust (TCT) partners with private, public, and Tribal landowners to develop reforestation and afforestation projects that build climate resiliency and provide a pathway to restore your forest and receive an additional source of revenue.

Our Process

The Climate Trust manages the entire project development and carbon offset sales process for you.

- We provide upfront funding and management for tree planting and forest establishment costs, including site preparation and post-establishment treatments.
- We will develop a long-term management and monitoring plan.
- We fund all startup costs.
- We offer the best price for your offsets by capitalizing on our buyer network.
- You enter into a 40-year partnership with TCT and receive 50/50 share of carbon sales once 3rd party costs are repaid.
- You retain all revenue from thinnings and commit to foregoing regeneration harvests until the 40-year term has expired.

Basic Eligibility

- At least 100 total plantable acres, which do not have to be on the same parcel
- Must be on private, Tribal, or non-Federal lands
- Land must either be in a non-forest use for preceding 10 years (e.g. pasture management) or deforested due to natural disturbance

What are Reforestation and Afforestation Carbon Projects?

When wildfires and other natural disturbances destroy forests, the diverse ecosystems for wildlife and plants are destroyed with it and significant amounts of carbon emissions are released into the atmosphere. In implementing a reforestation project, The Climate Trust works with landowners to replant site-appropriate trees and restore the landscape. In the case of afforestation, land must be non-forest for over 10 years. This means that fields or other land can be converted back into a forest through the planting of seedlings. Both reforestation and afforestation build back ecosystems that were lost and keep more carbon stored in the trees and soil, creating a more climate resilient future.



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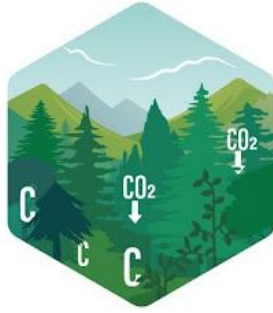
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RESTORING FOREST ECOSYSTEMS

NON-FOREST

Large swaths across North America exist in a degraded and non-forest state. Often the result of natural disturbances such as wildfire or marginal agricultural practices, these lands require tree planting to restore ecosystem functioning and begin sequestering carbon.



REFORESTED/AFFORESTED LANDS

By planting native and site-appropriate seedlings, ecosystem restoration can begin and carbon can be sequestered in tree biomass and soil. Healthy forest ecosystems provide many benefits to wildlife and communities.

Why Work With Us?

Carbon projects provide landowners with an additional source of revenue, allowing for more flexible forest management and silviculture for you to meet your annual financial targets. As a nonprofit organization, The Climate Trust has over 25 years of technical expertise to ensure project performance and will work in partnership with you directly to understand your land management goals, see your forest in-person, and manage and monitor all parts of the project development and carbon offset sales process for you.

“Landowners rely on forest-based revenues. Improved Forest Management projects help to diversify the revenue stream from your hard-working, climate resilient forest while providing other valuable benefits like wildlife habitat, recreational opportunities, timber, and watershed protection.”

Jeremy Koslowski, Director, Forest Carbon Partnerships, The Climate Trust

About The Climate Trust

The Climate Trust is a nonprofit organization that has been working with landowners to develop nature-based solutions for grasslands, forestry, and reforestation projects since 1997. We support climate vulnerable communities in the aftermath of natural disturbances and work with landowners to plant trees where there hasn't been a forest for 10 or more years. Our certified foresters have deep technical expertise to work with forest owners to meet



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