**U.S. Natural Climate Solutions Accelerator Full Proposal Template – Step 2**

**Application Detail:**

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| Project Name |  |
| Applying 501(c)(3) Name |  |
| Primary Point of Contact |  |
| Project Manager |  |
| Email |  |
| Phone Number |  |
| **Executive Summary** |  |
| Please synthesize your proposal into an executive summary. | [Please limit response to 250 words] |
| **Project Description** |  |
| Please provide an overview of your project and the 18-month work plan if successfully awarded. | [Please limit response to 350 words] |
| **NCS Alignment** |  |
| How does this project align with the most impactful [Natural Climate Solutions](https://advances.sciencemag.org/content/4/11/eaat1869) pathways? | [Please limit response to 100 words] |
| Where will the project have direct impact during the 18-month grant period? | [Please limit response to 100 words; i.e. State, County, land ownership type] |
| Where could the project/practices be applied across the broader landscape? | [Please limit the response to 100 words; i.e. Land Cover, Land Use type, Landownership type, and regions of the US] |
| Why is this the right time to advance this project specifically? What are the major milestones during the 18-month grant period? | [Please limit response to 100 words] |
| **Roadmap to scalability, replicability, and/or leveragability** |  |
| Please provide a detailed roadmap for how the project could be scaled, replicated, or leveraged to a landscape scale. For example:  If attracting additional investment to your project is part of your **scaling** plan, provide details of where you anticipate you will get the funding and how it will be utilized for growth.  If **replication** by others is key to your project, how would you promote the pilot to ensure that other organizations, businesses, communities, and/or states can readily replicate your approach?  If the project involves **leveraging** outcomes through changes in policies and/or best management practices, how will you engage corporate, governmental entities, and/or landowners to ensure success? | [Please limit response to 350 words] |
| Please describe key assumptions about the climate mitigation benefits of your project during the 18-month grant period and assuming a 30-year landscape scale implementation timeframe. | [Please limit response to 250 words] |
| **Organization and Team** |  |
| Describe the organization’s and team’s relevant background and track record for developing and executing similar projects. | [Please limit response to 200 words] |
| **External Factors** |  |
| What are the critical external factors/risks to successful completion of the project (e.g. policy, politics, investment, execution)? What strategies do you plan to deploy to address these factors/risks? | [Please limit response to 150 words] |
| **Role for an Accelerator** |  |
| What are your project deliverables and associated success criteria? | [Please limit response to 150 words] |
| Describe the project budget, sources of funding and how you would use Accelerator grant funding to complete the deliverables. | [Please limit response to 250 words] |
| **References / Resources** |  |
| List/provide links to key references/resources that support your proposal and/or that you have used to evaluate the impact of your project. | [Please limit response to 150 words] |

* + Please attach the project budget template as Appendix A.
  + Please include biographies for key project staff as Appendix B [limit to no more than 75 words/person].
  + Supplemental documentation (further explanation of the project, organizational charts, etc.) may be provided in additional appendices though these materials may or may not be considered by the selection committee.
  + Please note the Selection Committee might reach out with additional questions and information requests during the review process.