



North Carolina Forever 2026 Legislative Agenda

Increase recurring dollars for the 3 conservation trust funds

- Land and Water Fund: \$45 million **recurring**
 - Currently: \$28 million recurring
 - In addition to traditional conservation projects, this funding also goes to support military readiness
- Parks and Recreation Trust Fund: \$45 million **recurring**
 - Currently: \$28 million recurring
- Agricultural Development and Farmland Preservation Trust Fund: \$25 million **recurring**
 - Currently: \$5 million recurring

Fund FerryMon (Pamlico Sound) and ModMon (Neuse River): \$360,000 recurring

- FerryMon: \$175,000 per year (direct cost)
- ModMon: \$185,000 per year (direct cost)

Increase Conservation Tax Credit funding to \$15 million and remove sunset provision

- Currently: \$5 million/year with sunset in 2026

Increase funding to support conservation on private lands, specifically:

- Ag Wrap: \$3 million recurring
- Ag Cost Share Program: \$10 million recurring with flexibility for administration
- Community Conservation Assistance Programs: \$1.5 million recurring