



Forest funding in Catalonia

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Forestry measures in Catalonia

1. EAFRD
grants
(RDP 2007-2013)
2. Government of Catalonia
budget
Extraordinary grants
3. ERDF
Investments

1.- EAFRD grants: DRP 2007-2013

Regulation R(CE) 1698/2005

RDP 2007-2013 of Catalonia: 1.920 million €, only 76 million in measures 221, 226 and 227 (axis 2) → About 11 millions € per year

Axis 1: Improving the competitiveness of the agricultural and forestry sector.

Axis 2: Improving the environment and the countryside.

- First forestation of agriculture lands. (**Measure 221**)
- Restoring forestry production potential and introducing prevention actions (**Measure 226**).
- Non productive investments:
 - Forest management sustainable. (**Measure 22701**)
 - Actions to management spaces in Red Natura 2000 (**Measure 22702**).

Axis 3: Improving quality of life in rural areas and diversification of the rural economy.

Axis 4: LEADER.

1.- EAFRD grants: programmes

- 1.- To support actions in protected natural areas
- 2.- To support forest insurances
- 3.- Sustainable Forest Management grants
- 4.- Grants for Forestry Defence Association (ADF's) equipment
- 5.- Grants for wild fire prevention (water tanks and firebreaks)

1.- To support actions in protected natural areas

Aims

- 1.- Maintenance of basic network of paths.
- 2.- Logging with animals.
- 3.- Management for natural habitat conservation.
- 4.- Protection and improvement of natural habitats.
- 5.- Environmental education
- 6.- Maintenance of singular patrimonial elements.
- 7.- Structural improvement of buildings to ranching use.

Budget 2009: 4.612.000,00 €

2.- To support forest insurances

Aim

- Losses for fire, beam, explosion or fall of aircraft in tree cover surface of private owner with management plan approved.
- Civil responsibility to third in the forest
- 65 % of insurance costs with a maximum of 10,14 €/ha for tree cover surface

Budget 2009: 100.000,00 €

Grants for Forestry Defence Association (ADF's) equipment

Aims

- 1.- Maintenance of ADF's material until 1.600 € for municipality included in each ADF.
- 2.- Individual and financial material until 500 € for municipality included in each ADF.
- 3.- Courses and coordination programmes during forest fire risk period for ADF ERDFations.

Budget 2009: 1.650.000,00 €

5. Grants for wild fire prevention (water tanks and firebreaks)

Aim

- 1.- Weatherproofing
- 2.- Emptying and cleanliness
- 3.- Accessibility and self-supply
- 4.- Opening of the band protection around urbanization
- 5.- Maintenance of the band protection around urbanization

(1) Water tanks

(2) Forest fire prevention

Budget 2009: (1) 400.000 € + (2) 2.950.000 € (2008 and 2009)

3.- Sustainable Forest Management grants

Section 1: Planning and support to associations.

Section 2: Sustainable Forest management.

Section 3: Recuperation of forest potential in burned areas.

Section 4: Diversification of rural economy.

Section 5: Transformation and commercialization of forest products.

Budget 2009: 6.039.000, € + 6.000.000 € (CPF)

Section 1: Planning and support to associations

- Development of Forest management projects and plans.
- Expenses for creation of forests owners associations.
- Development of projects held by forests associations.

Section 2: Sustainable Forest management

Infrastructures

- Construction and maintenance of tracks for harvestings

Reforestations

- Planting of trees in former agricultural lands
- Planting of slow growth species in agroforestral systems

Sylvicultural treatments

- Thinnings
- Selective felling
- Selection of shoots
- Prunnings for timber and forest fruits
- Brushings out
- Cork barking
- Fitosanitary treatments
- Vegetal treatments beside tracks

Section 3: Recuperation of forest potential in burned areas

Recuperation of forest potential in burned areas

- Felling of vegetation affected by forest fires and treatment of produced rests
- Planting of forest species in burned woodlands
- Fail spotting in previously reforested burned woodlands
- Cork barking in burned woodlands

Forest fire prevention

- Reduction of forest fuel
- Diversification of vegetation: Plantation of new species
- Treatment of vegetal rests beside tracks

Infrastructures for fire prevention

- Construction and maintenance of tracks suitable for vehicles of extinction
- Opening of forest fire stripes with elimination of vegetal rests
- Construction of water tanks for fire extinction

Section 4: Diversification of rural economy

Forest biomass treatment

- Treatment and logging of forest biomass (700 €/ha)
- Densification of forest biomass (6,6 €/m³)
- Support for establishing leasing contracts for acquisition of a heating system using biomass as fuel
70 €/kW for 2 year and 3.000 € maximum in order to costs container installation

Truffle production

- Plantation of micorrhized species for truffle production.

Section 5: Transformation and commercialization of forest products.

- Acquisition of new machinery (forwarders, harvesters, chippers, skidders, forest tractors, lorries, etc). Subsidy finances up to 20% of the total costs.

The budget for this section for public forests is aprox. 900,000 €.

2.- Government of Catalonia Budget: Extraordinary grants

Extraordinary grants for the recovery of the potential of the reforestations affected by natural catastrophes (snowfalls, forest fires and winds).

Aims

- 1.- Improvement of the infrastructures (812,80 €/km).
- 2.- Felling of vegetation affected for snowfall of 2008 and 2009, winds of 2009 (711 – 914 €/ha), drought, disease and pests and treatment of the rests generated (1.219 €/ha).
- 3.- Treatment of the rest generated inside road (355,60 €/ha).

Budget 2008 and 2009: 3.900.000,00 €

3.- ERDF: Investments

	2007		2008		2009	
	Mil €	Ut.	Mil €	Ut.	Mil €	Ut.
Reforestations (ha)	422,96	77	1.626,06	345	91,68	?
Silviculture works (ha)	3.708,51	4.168	4.065,02	3.912	1.849,46	?
Road improvement and construction (km)	1.742,18	261	1.888,00	325	372,11	?
Water tanks (m ³)	140,33	3.264	201,09	1.656	0,00	?
Erosion control (m ³)	1.398,15	8.681	1.541,72	5.803	1.040,84	?
TOTAL	7.412,13		9.321,89		3.354,09	

Certified amount DMAH + MMA.



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