# NCCOASTAL REGION TRUSTFUND INVESTMENTS



North Carolina's conservation trust funds invest in projects that support economic development in North Carolina and preserve our state's unique natural features and way of life.

#### INVESTING IN OUR ECONOMY AND QUALITY OF LIFE IN NC



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Land and water are North Carolina's most important economic assets. The state's major economic engines – agriculture, tourism, the military, hunting, fishing, outdoor recreation, and forestry – all depend on land and water conservation.





### PROTECTING THE STATE'S MOST IMPORTANT ECONOMIC ASSETS









Parks, trails, and scenic areas – boosting the state's \$20 billion tourism economy. And enhancing North Carolina's quality of life and ability to attract new families and businesses.

**Farmland** – protecting working family farms to support the state's \$84 billion agricultural industry.





Military buffers – supporting the \$66 billion military's economic impact by ensuring nearby lands aren't developed, harming the military's training mission.

70% Support



Demand for trust fund grants far exceeds available resources. More than 70 percent of registered voters support restoring state funding for the conservation trust funds to \$100 million to protect water quality, conserve working farms, and preserve parkland and historic sites.

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## TRUST FUND INVESTMENTS

The Agricultural Development and Farmland Preservation Trust Fund (ADFPTF) programs that promote agricultural, horticultural, and forestry activities. It funds conservation easements and agricultural development projects to support the state's agricultural economy. ADFPTF funds are also used to match Department of Defense funds to protect farms and working forest near military facilities. To date, ADFPTF has protected nearly 22,000 acres of family farms across the state.

The Clean Water Management Trust Fund (CWMTF) Funded projects have significantly improved those communities' ability to attract business investment. To date, the CWMTF has protected more than 460,000 acres of watershed and nearly 5,000 miles of stream buffers. In the past two years, CWMTF awarded nearly \$50 million in grants to communities and conservation organizations.

The Parks and Recreation Trust Fund (PARTF) supports improvements within the state's park system. PARTF is the main source of funding for state park improvements and land acquisition and improvements to and estuarine access. To date, PARTF has funded more than \$500 million in projects.





ADPTF CWMTF PARTF

Total Investment in Coastal Region by Trust Funds: \$184,000,000

## MILITARY PARTNERSHIP FUNDING



Camp Lejeune: 45,612 acres Navy Funding: \$13,981,040

Other Funding (CWMTF and Natural Heritage Trust Fund): \$42,379,527

Cherry Point: 6,746 acres Navy Funding: \$12,716,902

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Total Onlsow/Bight Land Protection Military Projects: 63,735 acres

Navy Funding: \$26,697,942 Other Funding: \$62,681,316

Partnerships between government agencies, conservation groups, and private landowners work to protect our natural resources and support major economic sectors, but also strengthen our local communities. The value of these partnerships demonstrates the cooperative spirit of all North Carolinians working together to preserve the past while making our future brighter.

The Military is one our most important conservation partners. Working with the Department of Defense and the state's conservation trust funds, base borders have been protected at Fort Bragg, Camp Lejeune, Marine Corps Air Station Cherry Point and other facilities.

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