**Healthy American Forests Initiative – Full Proposal Project Narrative**

**Instructions:** Save this document on your computer and complete the narrative. You may use single spacing, but font should not be smaller than 10 pt. The final narrative should not exceed five (5) pages; do not delete the text provided below. Once complete, upload this document into the Easygrants application as instructed.

1. Is this project occurring on National Forest System land? ☐ Yes ☐ No – If yes, name the location[s] below. If no, this project is not eligible for this funding opportunity.
2. Does this project align with a watershed restoration action plan (WRAP) or a water source protection program (WSPP)? ☐ Yes ☐ No – If yes, upload this document. If no, this project is not eligible for this funding opportunity.
3. Do you have a letter of support provided by each Forest Service Unit? ☐ Yes ☐ No – If yes, upload each letter. If no, explain.
4. Have you discussed Federal Environmental Compliance (NEPA, ESA, NHPA) with Forest Service Units? ☐ Yes ☐ No – If yes, provide details on status of compliance. If no, explain.
5. What are the primary project outcomes and why is this project needed?
6. What are the major project activities? Check all that apply.

Removal of vegetation

Use of prescribed fire

Restoration of aquatic habitat

Decommissioning of an unauthorized, temporary, or system road

1. What are the major project actions? For each action, provide an estimated percentage of the budget that will be dedicated to the action (e.g., community engagement – 10%; wetland restoration – 25%, etc.). Include a workplan with estimated timeframes.

**Table: Implementation Actions**

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| **Implementation Action** | **Implementation Action Timeframe** |
| *(ex. Monitoring – 10%)* | *(ex. June 2023 – August 2025 Data collection, review, analysis, and synthesis of past red spruce release projects and ongoing monitoring of existing red spruce restoration (release, planting, and aquatic restoration))* |
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1. Which of the following additional program priorities will be addressed? For each checked box, provide an explanation.

Expand Habitat Connectivity

Provide a Range of Ecosystem Services

Strengthen Ecosystem and Community Health

Expand Public Access to Nature

Contribute to Economies

Contribute to Workforce Development

1. How will project success be defined or measured?
2. Who are the partners working on this project and what are their contributions to the project?
3. Who are the key individuals on the project team and how will they contribute to the project?
4. How will communities be engaged in project development and implementation (e.g., volunteers, user groups, affected/impacted constituencies, and stakeholders)?
5. How will this project improve forest health, leading to increased timber productivity?
6. What are the plans for sustaining the project outcomes beyond the grant period?