

	FY 13 CR	FY 14 President's Budget Request	FY 14 Senate Mark	FY 14 House Mark
Cooperative Landscape Conservation	15,534	17,615	16,242	0
Adaptive Science	12,988	15,199	12,766	0
TOTAL LCC	28,522	32,814	29,008	0

*2014 House Appropriation language*

*“Landscape Conservation Cooperatives.*—The Committee does not provide funding for Landscape Conservation Cooperatives and includes bill language prohibiting the use of funds for LCCs. The Committee notes a recent Inspector General report on LCCs, finding “**areas of concern that could potentially place millions of dollars at risk and jeopardize future funding and support for the LCC’s activities.**” It has been the experience of the Committee that State and other non-Federal support for LCCs remains lukewarm at best, and is conditional upon new funding rather than cuts to existing programs.”

The OIG report is at <http://www.doi.gov/oig/news/us-department-of-the-interiors-landscape-conservation-cooperatives.cfm>, including the FWS responses to the recommendations.

OIG Audit states:

**Our audit did not assess the quality of the science, decision support tools, and other products resulting from the financial assistance processes, and we found LCCs to be a highly valuable conservation approach to addressing large-scale challenges and stresses to our natural resources**