

**Differences Between
Traditional Cost Sharing
and
Challenge Partnerships**

Traditional Cost Sharing	Challenge Partnerships
PL 89-72	PL 102-580*
Fixed % (Normally 50%)	Flexible rate determined by mutual agreement
Rigid roles	Flexible roles
Can accept real estate from sponsor	Cannot accept real estate from partner
Sponsor operates	Corps operates
Cost share for any business function	Only Recreation & Natural Resources
Program management has lead	Operations has lead
Formal contract	Flexible agreement
Corps \$ year by year	Funds must be available in advance from operating funds. Way to stretch available funds.
Work accomplished over several fiscal years	Work generally accomplished during one fiscal year
Cost share only with non-Federal governmental entities	Cost share with non-Federal governmental and private entities
Normally with only one sponsor	May involve multiple sponsors on the same work activity