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Good morning everyone;

Sorry for the delay on The Branch. I got to spend yesterday in the woods with Ryan Hewitt learning how all our great FIA data actually gets collected. The plot was on the national forest in Highland County but we accessed it through a beautiful piece of private property. The landowner met us as we were leaving so we got to talk to him about his hopes for hardwood management and quail, and pheasants, and golden-winged warblers, and turkeys, and.... He was pretty excited about managing this piece of property which was clearly very special to him.

I hope you all get to work with someone this week who finds that much pleasure and pride in their work with the forest. Have a great week.

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