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Good morning;

Thanks to everyone that is helping with all the interviews we have going on. Last week I got to sign off on hiring three new foresters - two external hires and one promotion. I feel very fortunate that we are able to keep filling positions in light of what is going on this year. I have also seen the new VDOF calendar for 2021, another great job by the public information team. We are going to have to continue to innovate and be creative to find ways to share the calendars with our partners and cooperators in the face of COVID-19.

Congratulations to our own Michael Donwey for earning the 2020 Young Forester Leadership award from the Virginia Division of SAF.

I will be in Southwest Virginia this week visiting the Mount Rogers, Clinch, and Headwaters work areas. Looks like we've got another week of beautiful Fall weather. Enjoy it everybody.

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