

What We Do

In addition to helping landowners like you plan for the future of your forestland, the Virginia Department of Forestry (VDOF) prevents and fights wildfires, inspects every timber harvest to protect water quality, grows seedlings at our nurseries, conducts research, and helps protect forest health.

Each landowner and their forestland is unique. VDOF's expertise helps landowners identify what steps to take to achieve their individual objectives while connecting them to existing resources. While this publication highlights some of the many services offered by VDOF, your local forester can discuss the range of programs and assistance VDOF provides.

To find your local forester, visit our website at:

dof.virginia.gov

WHAT ARE YOUR GOALS FOR YOUR FOREST?





For More Information

For more information about VDOF services or programs, please contact your local Virginia Department of Forestry office or visit:

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SERVICES FOR LANDOWNERS

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act to make the most of your land



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Help You Learn, Plan, and Act for Good Forest Management

- Conduct field visits to help you learn about your forests.
- Help determine your management goals and objectives.
- Develop multi-resource, objective-based management plans.
- Recommend management practices to help achieve your goals.
- Help find private contractors to install recommended practices.
- Assist with state or federal assistance program application.

Help Plan Your Forest Legacy

VDOF land conservation specialists can help you:

- Explore available conservation options.
- Develop and hold conservation easements on working forestlands.

To determine if use-value taxation, agricultural and forestal districts, or purchase of development rights programs are available in your locality, contact your local Commissioner of the Revenue.

Protect Water Quality

- Conduct field visits, provide harvest recommendations, and develop pre-harvest plans.
- Assist with Riparian Buffer Tax Credit application.
- Inspect logging operations for water quality protection.
- Recommend management practices for watershed protection.

Grow Seedlings

 Grow improved pine and hardwood seedlings for timber, wildlife, soil stabilization, and water protection.

Contact our nurseries to purchase seedlings.

Protect Forests from Fire and Pests

- Respond to wildfires to protect lives, property, and natural resources.
- Teach owners how to protect their property, reduce wildfire risks, and prevent future losses.
- Help communities develop wildfire protection plans using Firewise Virginia resources.
- Provide insect and disease identification and control recommendations.
- Help monitor and prevent the spread of invasive species.

