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Florida Forest Service



The mission of the Florida Forest Service is to protect and manage the forest resources of Florida, ensuring that they will be available for future generations.

We manage over 1 million acres of state forests for multiple public uses, including timber, recreation and wildlife habitat.

We offer technical information and grant programs to landowners to help them improve their forestland. Through wildfire prevention and suppression, we work to protect homeowners from the threat of damage in a natural, fire-dependent environment.

Florida Forest Service: Who We Are (Short)



Popular Links

Wildfire

- [Current Wildfire Conditions](https://www.fdacs.gov/Divisions-Offices/Florida-Forest-Service/Wildland-Fire/Current-Wildfire-Conditions2) (https://www.fdacs.gov/Divisions-Offices/Florida-Forest-Service/Wildland-Fire/Current-Wildfire-Conditions2).
- Download Free [FLBurnTools Mobile App](https://www.fdacs.govhttps://www.fdacs.gov/Divisions-Offices/Florida-Forest-Service/Wildland-Fire/FLBurnTools) (https://www.fdacs.govhttps://www.fdacs.gov/Divisions-Offices/Florida-Forest-Service/Wildland-Fire/FLBurnTools).
- Find Your [Local Wildfire Mitigation Specialist](https://www.fdacs.gov/Divisions-Offices/Florida-Forest-Service/For-Communities/Firewise-USA/Wildfire-Mitigation-Contacts) (https://www.fdacs.gov/Divisions-Offices/Florida-Forest-Service/For-Communities/Firewise-USA/Wildfire-Mitigation-Contacts).
- [Firewise USA](https://www.fdacs.gov/Divisions-Offices/Florida-Forest-Service/For-Communities/Firewise-USA) (https://www.fdacs.gov/Divisions-Offices/Florida-Forest-Service/For-Communities/Firewise-USA): Protecting Your Home from Wildfire
- [Interactive Wildfire and Burn Authorization Map](http://tlhforucs02.doacs.state.fl.us/fmis.dataviewer) (http://tlhforucs02.doacs.state.fl.us/fmis.dataviewer).
- [Interactive Wildfire and Burn Authorization Map Video Tutorial](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AGL0CTaH7y0) (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AGL0CTaH7y0).

Prescribed Fire

- [Burn Authorizations](https://www.fdacs.gov/Divisions-Offices/Florida-Forest-Service/Wildland-Fire/Burn-Authorizations) (https://www.fdacs.gov/Divisions-Offices/Florida-Forest-Service/Wildland-Fire/Burn-Authorizations).
- [Prescribed Fire in Florida](https://www.fdacs.gov/Divisions-Offices/Florida-Forest-Service/Wildland-Fire/Prescribed-Fire) (https://www.fdacs.gov/Divisions-Offices/Florida-Forest-Service/Wildland-Fire/Prescribed-Fire).

- **Prescribed Fire in the South** (<https://www.goodfires.org>) (Southern Group of State Foresters)
- **Web-Based Open Burn Authorization Requests for Certified Burners**
(<https://www.fdacs.gov/Divisions-Offices/Florida-Forest-Service/Wildland-Fire/Resources/Fire-Tools-and-Downloads/Web-Based-Open-Burn-Authorization-Request-WebOBA>) (WebOBA)

Recreation

- **Florida State Forests** (<https://www.fdacs.gov/Divisions-Offices/Florida-Forest-Service/Our-Forests/State-Forests>)
- Florida State Forest **Recreation Opportunities**
(<https://www.fdacs.gov/http://flash.floridaforestservice.com/at-a-glance/recreation-at-a-glance.html>)
- **Operation Outdoor Freedom** (<https://www.fdacs.gov/Divisions-Offices/Florida-Forest-Service/Recreation/Operation-Outdoor-Freedom>): Recreation Opportunities for Wounded Veterans
- **State Forest Camping Reservations** (<https://floridastateforests.reserveamerica.com/>)


Forest Conservation and Protection

- **Florida Forest Legacy Program** (<https://www.fdacs.gov/Divisions-Offices/Florida-Forest-Service/Our-Forests/Land-Planning-and-Administration-Section/Florida-Forest-Legacy-Program>)
- **Florida Urban and Community Forestry** (<https://www.fdacs.gov/Divisions-Offices/Florida-Forest-Service/For-Communities/Urban-Forestry>)
- **Rural and Family Lands Protection Program** (<https://www.fdacs.gov/Consumer-Resources/Protect-Our-Environment/Rural-and-Family-Lands-Protection-Program>)

For Forest Landowners

- **2018 Florida Forestry Industry Economic Contributions**
(<https://www.fdacs.gov/content/download/84496/file/2018-Florida-Forest-Industry-Economic-Contributions.pdf>) [ 644.5 KB]
- **Contact a Local County Forester** (<https://www.fdacs.gov/Divisions-Offices/Florida-Forest-Service/Our-Forests/Field-Operations/County-Foresters>)
- **Forest Recovery After a Hurricane** (<https://www.fdacs.gov/Divisions-Offices/Florida-Forest-Service/Our-Forests/Field-Operations/County-Foresters>)

<https://www.forestproductslocator.org/welcome>
[Forests/Forest-Health/Forest-Recovery-After-a-Hurricane](https://www.forestproductslocator.org/welcome)).

- **[Interactive Map of Ips Bark Beetle Spots](https://flfs.maps.arcgis.com/apps/opsdashboard/index.html#/f89dec63aaf64abaaad2ab75b37615e2)**
[.\(https://flfs.maps.arcgis.com/apps/opsdashboard/index.html#/f89dec63aaf64abaaad2ab75b37615e2\)](https://flfs.maps.arcgis.com/apps/opsdashboard/index.html#/f89dec63aaf64abaaad2ab75b37615e2).
- **[Locations of Wood-Using Mills](http://www.forestproductslocator.org/welcome)** (<http://www.forestproductslocator.org/welcome>).
- **[Non-Timber Forest Products](https://www.fdacs.gov/Divisions-Offices/Florida-Forest-Service/Our-Forests/Working-Forest/Non-Timber-Forest-Products-NTFP)** (<https://www.fdacs.gov/Divisions-Offices/Florida-Forest-Service/Our-Forests/Working-Forest/Non-Timber-Forest-Products-NTFP>): **Additional Potential Revenue Sources for Forest Landowners**
- **[Surplus Pine Seed for Sale](https://www.fdacs.gov/Divisions-Offices/Florida-Forest-Service/Landowners/Programs/Tree-Seedlings-for-Sale/Surplus-Pine-Seed-for-Sale)** (<https://www.fdacs.gov/Divisions-Offices/Florida-Forest-Service/Landowners/Programs/Tree-Seedlings-for-Sale/Surplus-Pine-Seed-for-Sale>).
- **[Tree Pests and Diseases Following a Hurricane](https://www.fdacs.gov/ezs3download/download/84651/2487835/Media/Files/Florida-Forest-Service-Files/FM_Forest%20Health_Leaflet%2023_Tree%20Pests%20and%20Diseases%20following%20a%20Hurricane.pdf)**
[.\(https://www.fdacs.gov/ezs3download/download/84651/2487835/Media/Files/Florida-Forest-Service-Files/FM_Forest%20Health_Leaflet%2023_Tree%20Pests%20and%20Diseases%20following%20a%20Hurricane.pdf\)](https://www.fdacs.gov/ezs3download/download/84651/2487835/Media/Files/Florida-Forest-Service-Files/FM_Forest%20Health_Leaflet%2023_Tree%20Pests%20and%20Diseases%20following%20a%20Hurricane.pdf). [ 9.2 MB]
- **[Tree Seedlings for Sale](https://www.fdacs.gov/Divisions-Offices/Florida-Forest-Service/Landowners/Programs/Tree-Seedlings-for-Sale)** (<https://www.fdacs.gov/Divisions-Offices/Florida-Forest-Service/Landowners/Programs/Tree-Seedlings-for-Sale>).

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[Career Opportunities](https://www.fdacs.gov/Divisions-Offices/Florida-Forest-Service/Career-Opportunities) (<https://www.fdacs.gov/Divisions-Offices/Florida-Forest-Service/Career-Opportunities>).

[Education](https://www.fdacs.gov/Divisions-Offices/Florida-Forest-Service/Education) (<https://www.fdacs.gov/Divisions-Offices/Florida-Forest-Service/Education>).

[Events Calendar](https://www.fdacs.gov/News-Events/Event-Calendar) (<https://www.fdacs.gov/News-Events/Event-Calendar>).

[For Communities](https://www.fdacs.gov/Divisions-Offices/Florida-Forest-Service/For-Communities) (<https://www.fdacs.gov/Divisions-Offices/Florida-Forest-Service/For-Communities>).

[For Landowners](https://www.fdacs.gov/Divisions-Offices/Florida-Forest-Service/For-Landowners) (<https://www.fdacs.gov/Divisions-Offices/Florida-Forest-Service/For-Landowners>).

[Forests & Wildfire Publications](https://www.fdacs.gov/Divisions-Offices/Florida-Forest-Service/Forests-Wildfire-Publications) (<https://www.fdacs.gov/Divisions-Offices/Florida-Forest-Service/Forests-Wildfire-Publications>).

[Our Forests](https://www.fdacs.gov/Divisions-Offices/Florida-Forest-Service/Our-Forests) (<https://www.fdacs.gov/Divisions-Offices/Florida-Forest-Service/Our-Forests>).

[Recreation](https://www.fdacs.gov/Divisions-Offices/Florida-Forest-Service/Recreation) (<https://www.fdacs.gov/Divisions-Offices/Florida-Forest-Service/Recreation>).

[Wildland Fire](https://www.fdacs.gov/Divisions-Offices/Florida-Forest-Service/Wildland-Fire) (<https://www.fdacs.gov/Divisions-Offices/Florida-Forest-Service/Wildland-Fire>).

[Silviculture Best Management Practices](https://www.fdacs.gov/Divisions-Offices/Florida-Forest-Service/Silviculture-Best-Management-Practices) (<https://www.fdacs.gov/Divisions-Offices/Florida-Forest-Service/Silviculture-Best-Management-Practices>).

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field unit (<https://www.fdacs.govhttps://www.freshfromflorida.com/Divisions-Offices/Florida-Forest-Service/Our-Forests/Field-Operations>). **office.**

Laws and Regulations

Florida Statutes

Chapters and Sections: [253.036](http://www.leg.state.fl.us/statutes/index.cfm?App_mode=Display_Statute&Search_String=&URL=0200-0299/0253/Sections/0253.036.html) ([http://www.leg.state.fl.us/statutes/index.cfm?](http://www.leg.state.fl.us/statutes/index.cfm?App_mode=Display_Statute&Search_String=&URL=0200-0299/0253/Sections/0253.036.html)

[App_mode=Display_Statute&Search_String=&URL=0200-0299/0253/Sections/0253.036.html](http://www.leg.state.fl.us/Statutes/index.cfm?App_mode=Display_Statute&URL=0500-0599/0570/0570ContentsIndex.html&StatuteYear=2018&Title=%2D%3E2018%2D%3EChapter%20570)), [570](http://www.leg.state.fl.us/Statutes/index.cfm?App_mode=Display_Statute&URL=0500-0599/0570/0570ContentsIndex.html&StatuteYear=2018&Title=%2D%3E2018%2D%3EChapter%20570)

([http://www.leg.state.fl.us/Statutes/index.cfm?App_mode=Display_Statute&URL=0500-](http://www.leg.state.fl.us/Statutes/index.cfm?App_mode=Display_Statute&URL=0500-0599/0570/0570ContentsIndex.html&StatuteYear=2018&Title=%2D%3E2018%2D%3EChapter%20570)

[0599/0570/0570ContentsIndex.html&StatuteYear=2018&Title=%2D%3E2018%2D%3EChapter%20570](http://www.leg.state.fl.us/Statutes/index.cfm?App_mode=Display_Statute&URL=0500-0599/0570/0570ContentsIndex.html&StatuteYear=2018&Title=%2D%3E2018%2D%3EChapter%20570)), [589](http://www.leg.state.fl.us/Statutes/index.cfm?App_mode=Display_Statute&URL=0500-0599/0589/0589ContentsIndex.html&StatuteYear=2018&Title=%2D%3E2018%2D%3EChapter%20589)

([http://www.leg.state.fl.us/Statutes/index.cfm?App_mode=Display_Statute&URL=0500-](http://www.leg.state.fl.us/Statutes/index.cfm?App_mode=Display_Statute&URL=0500-0599/0589/0589ContentsIndex.html&StatuteYear=2018&Title=%2D%3E2018%2D%3EChapter%20589)

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Florida Administrative Code

Chapters: [5I-2](https://www.flrules.org/gateway/ChapterHome.asp?Chapter=5I-2) (<https://www.flrules.org/gateway/ChapterHome.asp?Chapter=5I-2>), [5I-4](https://www.flrules.org/gateway/ChapterHome.asp?Chapter=5I-4)

(<https://www.flrules.org/gateway/ChapterHome.asp?Chapter=5I-4>), [5I-5](https://www.flrules.org/gateway/ChapterHome.asp?Chapter=5I-5)

(<https://www.flrules.org/gateway/ChapterHome.asp?Chapter=5I-5>), [5I-6](https://www.flrules.org/gateway/ChapterHome.asp?Chapter=5I-6)

(<https://www.flrules.org/gateway/ChapterHome.asp?Chapter=5I-6>), [5I-7](https://www.flrules.org/gateway/ChapterHome.asp?Chapter=5I-7)

(<https://www.flrules.org/gateway/ChapterHome.asp?Chapter=5I-7>), [5I-8](https://www.flrules.org/gateway/ChapterHome.asp?Chapter=5I-8)

(<https://www.flrules.org/gateway/ChapterHome.asp?Chapter=5I-8>).



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