



ANNOUNCING THE UPDATED NORTH CAROLINA FOREST ACTION PLAN



The updated North Carolina Forest Action Plan is a thorough review of North Carolina's forests, with a focus on changes and trends that have occurred since 2010. This plan not only evaluates past and current forest conditions, but also addresses factors that may impact conservation. Driven by the need to efficiently target our collective efforts and resources, this updated Forest Action Plan represents a roadmap for protecting, conserving and enhancing North Carolina's forest resources and the many benefits we enjoy from them. As a North Carolina forestry partner, your organization can help.



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HOW TO USE THE UPDATED NORTH CAROLINA FOREST ACTION PLAN

After a year of collaboration with a diverse and wide group of forestry stakeholders, the following five goals were identified for North Carolina's forests:

Goal 1. *Increase the Sustainable Management and Conservation of Forests*







Goal 2. *Reduce Negative Impacts from Forest Threats*

Goal 3. *Increase the Beneficial Use of Prescribed Fire*

Goal 4. *Manage and Conserve Forests for Clean Water*






Goal 5. *Conserve and Enhance the Benefits and Sustainable Management of Urban Forests*

Each goal section provides:

-  Current conditions
-  Trends
-  Threats and opportunities
-  Five key points
-  Objectives for achieving each goal
-  Strategies for implementation

The intent is for all forest stakeholders in North Carolina to reference this ten-year plan and incorporate applicable strategies into their organization's efforts so we can collectively keep North Carolina's woodlands healthy, productive and resilient.

This action plan and its strategies are meant to strengthen forestry stakeholders' efforts and be strategically incorporated into their:

-  Outreach efforts
-  Strategic plans
-  Annual work plans
-  Grant narratives
-  Pilot projects


HOW TO FIND THE UPDATED NORTH CAROLINA FOREST ACTION PLAN

The updated North Carolina Forest Action Plan, Geospatial Viewer and additional resources are available at

www.ncforestactionplan.com


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