

## Cooperative Forestry - Contact your Service Forester

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## Forestry for You

**DCNR BUREAU OF FORESTRY IS AVAILABLE  
TO ASSIST YOU WITH THE FOLLOWING:**

**WOODLAND EXAMINATION  
WOODLAND IMPROVEMENT  
TREE PLANTING  
FOREST PEST CONTROL  
FOREST WILDLIFE  
WOODLAND RECREATION  
INFORMATION AND EDUCATION PROGRAMS  
WOODLAND MANAGEMENT**



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AND NATURAL RESOURCES

## BASIC SERVICES

Under the Cooperative Forest Management Program of the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, Bureau of Forestry, a Service Forester is available to assist you in understanding and planning the care and management of your woodland. This service is to help you gain the maximum in benefits and enjoyment from this resource acreage.

## WOODLAND EXAMINATION

Many private woodlands are producing much less than they are capable of. The Service Forester can examine your woodland and recommend how to manage it for maximum benefits-timber, water, wildlife, recreation, or a combination of all four. The examination begins with the landowner touring the property with the Service Forester. The Forester then provides a summary of the visit which could include information on the species of trees, their density and condition, the volume and quality of timber present, the growth rate, the amount and type of reproduction and any problems such as fire, insects, disease or invasive species.

## WOODLAND IMPROVEMENT

Improving your woodland through Timber Stand Improvement (TSI) is to free desirable trees from competition, thin the trees to desirable numbers and remove the poorest trees. This improves the overall condition of your woodland and concentrates wood growth on selected trees. TSI also can improve wildlife, food and habitat, appearance and health of your woodlands.

## FOREST WILDLIFE

Wildlife is an important product of your woodland. Your Service Forester will integrate wildlife considerations and recommend desirable species for planting; or at your request, he can provide you with a management plan that could include recommendations to help improve your forest habitat for specific kinds of birds and animals.

## TIMBER SALES

The Service Forester can provide advice and contract information but cannot mark or sell timber for a landowner. Potentially commercial pole timber or saw timber operations on your property must be referred to a Consulting Forester.

## FOREST PEST CONTROL

If the leaves on the trees in your woodland appear to have been eaten by insects, or if the trees do not appear healthy, ask the Forester. They can provide advice and information about forest pest management, disease, or other damage and to recommend steps you can take to combat the problem.

## FOREST LAND ENJOYMENT

Protect your forest environment when locating trails and buildings or in providing for other forest uses. If timber production is not your interest, a Forester can still assist you in forest land use planning and management, taking into account the many other uses which can be made compatible with forest protection and environmental values.

## TREE PLANTING

Land not being cultivated may be suitable for planting forest tree seedlings. Your Service Forester can provide you with guidance on tree planting and a list of commercial nurseries that sell forest tree seedlings.

## EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

With sufficient advance notice, Bureau of Forestry personnel are available to present information films, illustrated talks and programs on current forestry and related natural resources topics to citizen groups, service clubs, schools and other organizations.

## BUREAU POLICY

A Service Forester is guided by Policy and Guidelines which govern the type and extent of services he or she may perform. These services include:

- The initial visit to a property should be made in the company of the landowner or his designated agent.
- The programs of the Bureau of Forestry will not be in direct competition with private enterprise. The Service Forester can provide advice and contract information but cannot mark or sell timber as a service.
- The Service Forester will give you a list of Forest Consultants providing services in Pennsylvania and will indicate to you those who offer the services you require.

**THE FUTURE OF OUR  
FORESTS IS IN YOUR  
HANDS!**