

Information is a landowner's best tool for managing a healthy productive forest. Joining an association of forest landowners provides many excellent opportunities for free and low-cost literature, programs and workshops on many aspects of forest ownership.

Alabama Forestry Association represents Alabama's forests, forestry-related industries and landowners. The primary objectives of AFA are to gather and disseminate information regarding Alabama forestry, to promote fair and reasonable legislation and to create a better public understanding of modern forest management. The AFA produces a quarterly Alabama Forests magazine and weekly Forestry Legislative Report when the state legislature is in session. AFA, 555 Alabama Street, Montgomery, AL 36104; Telephone 334-265-8733. www.alaforestry.org



ALFA Farmers Federation is an independent voluntary organization of farm, forestry and ranch families associated to safeguard and promote their enlightened self-interest in a manner that is consistent with the general good. ALFA, P.O. Box 1100, Montgomery, Alabama 36191; Phone 334-288-3900. www.alfafarmers.org

Alabama Forest Owners Association promotes, protects and represents the interests of owners of forestlands in Alabama; provides members with timely information on legislation, timber markets, environmental issues and forest taxation through a monthly newsletter; assists members in obtaining forest management assistance and profitable marketing of forest products; coordinates discount services such as hunting liability insurance, aerial photography of property and referral services; is involved in development of sound, equitable, responsible public policy; informs Alabama citizens of contributions made by and the critical importance of forest resources to Alabama. AFOA, P.O. Box 361434, Birmingham, AL 35236; Phone 205-987-8811, www.alabamaforestowners.com

Alabama TREASURE Forest Association is an alliance of private, non-industrial landowners who are committed to multiple-use management of Alabama's forest resources for the greatest benefit to present and future generations. ATFA offers fellowship with like-minded Alabamians who believe in and practice good stewardship of land, water, timber and wildlife resources entrusted to them on their own property; fosters environmentally and economically responsible management of all forestlands in Alabama according to the TREASURE Forest multiple-use philosophy; provides a forum through which landowners can address programs and issues affecting forest conservation and landowner rights and privileges. ATFA, c/o University of Mobile, P.O. Box 13220, Mobile, AL 36663-0220; Phone 251-442-2424. www.atfa.net

Alabama Wildlife Federation is devoted to the wise use, conservation, aesthetic appreciation and restoration of wildlife and other natural resources of the State of Alabama. The AWF promotes hunter safety and ethics, encourages good hunter/landowner relations and lobbies for private property rights and interests. AWF also provides group liability insurance for protection of hunting clubs, club

members and landowners. *Alabama Wildlife* magazine is produced quarterly. AWF, 3050 Lanark Road, Millbrook, AL 36054; phone 1-800-822-9453. www.alabamawildlife.org

American Tree Farm System encourages landowners to reforest their forestland into trees as soon as possible for timber production and other multiple-uses. Participation entitles members to a Tree Farm certificate and sign; regular contact with a forester who can supply individual forest management advice; an annual subscription of *Tree Farm* magazine; newsletters, announcements and invitations to forest landowner meetings. The Alabama Forestry Association administers the Tree Farm Program in Alabama. Contact them at the AFA, 555 Alabama St., Montgomery, AL 36104; Phone: 334-265-8733. www.alaforestry.org

County Forestry Planning Committees are composed of agricultural agency representatives and private landowners. The goals are to promote multiple-use forestry interests; provide information in forestry and wildlife workshops, offer tours and literature; and landowner outreach. Contact a local office of the Alabama Forestry Commission, the Alabama Cooperative Extension System or the Natural Resources Conservation Service to determine local availability of county forestry planning committees.

Forest Landowners Association is a southeastern states' organization of private, non-industrial timberland owners seeking to give members and related interests a greater voice in matters affecting their business. FLA publishes six issues of *Forest Landowner Magazine* and a biannual *Forest Farmer Manual*; they also sponsor periodic workshops and an annual meeting for their members. FLA also offers hunting lease liability insurance. FLA, P.O. Box 95385, Atlanta, GA 30347; phone 1-800-325-2954. www.forestlandowner.com

National Arbor Day Foundation is a non-profit organization that sponsors several tree planting and other environmental stewardship programs such as Trees for America, Arbor Day, Tree City USA and Conservation Trees. New and renewing members receive 10 free seedlings. Additional hard-to-find tree species are sold at reasonable prices to members. The Foundation publishes *Arbor Day Newsletter*, *Tree City USA bulletin*, *Conservation Trees* booklet and the *Celebrate Arbor Day* booklet. NADF, 100 Arbor Ave., Nebraska City, NE 68410; Phone 402-474-5655. www.arborday.org

National Woodland Owners Association is a nationwide association of woodland owners united to foster wise management of their non-industrial private forestlands. Working together with cooperating and affiliated state woodland owner/forestry associations, the association is a voice for private landowners on forestry, wildlife and resource conservation issues. NWOA publishes periodic *Woodland Reports* and *National Woodlands Magazine*. NWOA, 374 Maple E, Suite 310, Vienna, VA 22180; Phone 703-255-2700. www.woodlandowners.org

Nature Conservancy seeks to preserve plants, animals and natural communities that represent the natural diversity of life on earth by protecting the lands and water they need to survive. Land preserved stays protected for future generations to enjoy and use. They also sponsor field trips and an annual meeting for members and the public. NC publishes a quarterly national magazine and quarterly state newsletters. NC, 2100 1st Avenue North, Suite 500, Birmingham, AL 35203; Phone 205-251-1155. www.nature.org

The Longleaf Alliance is an organization consisting of landowners, forest industry, federal agencies, conservation groups, researchers, and other enthusiasts that seek to promote longleaf pine restoration

in the Southeast. The Alliance operates through Auburn's School of Forestry & Wildlife Sciences. More information about the Alliance, including how to become a member, is located on the website: www.longleafalliance.org.

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