



Developing a plan for

FOREST MANAGEMENT



A forest management plan developed with NRCS funding consists of two parts. The first part is a Conservation Planning Activity (CPA) which details the overall property condition and options to address resource concerns related to soil, water, air, plants, animals and human health. The second part of a forest management plan is the Design and Implementation Activity (DIA) which is a site-specific strategy to help a landowner manage forest lands and implement forest practices that help address the resource concerns identified in the CPA.



NRCS Technical Service Providers (TSPs) prepare these plans using inputs such as:

- Analyses of past management activities.
- Current forest condition and desired future condition.
- Forest resource assessment including soil, water, site index, stand quality and health, stocking level, and invasive species.

Conservation practices recommended in such a plan can include:

- Forest stand improvement
- Tree/Shrub establishment
- Brush Management (Invasive plant management)
- Firebreaks
- Prescribed burning
- Riparian forest buffers



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