



MISSOURI



State & Private Forestry Fact Sheet

Investment in State's Cooperative Programs:

Programs	FY 2003 Final SPF	FY 2003 Final NFP	FY 2004 Estimate SPF	FY 2004 Estimate NFP
Coop Forest Health Management	336,114		151,085	
State Fire Assistance	268,811	821,892	197,680	204,621
Volunteer Fire Assistance	209,153	260,653	122,869	134,433
Forest Stewardship Program	610,130		375,500	
Stewardship Incentives	100,000			
Forest Legacy Program	25,000			
Urban and Community Forestry	525,750		248,000	
Economic Action Programs	136,670	75,000	907,000	
PNW Assistance Program				
Forest Resource Information and Analysis				
Forest Land Enhancement Program	560,200			
TOTAL	\$2,771,828	\$1,157,545	\$2,002,134	\$339,054

The cooperative programs are administered and implemented through a partnership between the State of Missouri, the USDA Forest Service and many other private and government entities. These programs promote the health and productivity of Missouri forest lands and rural economies. Emphasis focuses on timber and other forest products, wildlife, water resources, rural economies and conservation practices. The goal is to maintain and improve the health of Missouri urban and rural forests and related economies. These programs:

- **Increase cost effectiveness** through the use of partnerships in delivery,
- **Increase values** through sustained productivity of forests, and
- **Are voluntary**, and use non-regulatory approaches.

KEY ISSUES:

Key issues which State and federal programs will address together in the next few years include:

- Forest fragmentation and parcelization
- Lack of public understanding of forest management
- Implementing Best Management Practices (BMPs) on Non-industrial Private Forestlands during timber harvest
- Maintaining a trained workforce that can respond to the state's forestry needs
- Insects and disease, fire, exotic species - maintain capacity to respond

Forest Facts and 2003 Accomplishments

SELECTED FACTS		FY 2003 ACCOMPLISHMENTS	
Population	5,672,579	Stewardship Plans Prepared (current year)	94
Acres of Forest Land	13,992,000	Acres Under Stewardship Plans (current year)	13,773
Acres of NonIndustrial Private Forest Land	11,403,000	Acres Under Stewardship Plans (all years)	413,091
Number of NIPF Landowners	306,900	Multi-resource practices implemented on NIPF - Acres	3,616
Acres of Federal Land Under State Fire Protection		Volunteer Fire Departments Assisted SPF NFP	333
Acres of Private Land Under State Fire Protection	42,350,000	State Fire – Communities Assisted SPF NFP	387
Number of Rural Fire Departments	820	Coop Forest Health – Acres Protected SPF NFP	2,231
Number of Cities and Towns	373	Coop Forest Health – Acres Surveyed SPF NFP	15,202,297
Forest Based Employment	37,506	Forest Legacy Project Acquisition - Acres	
Economic Impact of Forestry (by rank)	4	Urban Forestry-Participating communities	403
State Forestry Budget (All Sources)	\$16,300,000	Urban Forestry –Volunteer Assistance Generated-Days	614
		EAP-Communitites working under broad-based local strategic plans	0
		PNW-Communities working under broad-based local strategic	0

Program Highlights:

Urban and Community Forestry:

After a massive ice storm in January 2002, a unique coalition of agencies, led by the local Time Warner Cable affiliate and other utility, agency, professional and non-profit organizations, helped residents select suitable trees for their yards. Other results include two 15-page supplements in the Kansas City Star, the www.righttreerightplace.com web site, and community forestry fact sheets.

Cooperative Fire Protection:

State Fire Assistance helped provide training for 600 firefighters, personal protective and communication equipment, dry hydrants, 12 fire weather station upgrades, 194 Firewise/fire prevention activities, and 3 community mitigation plans. Several sponsors hosted the Midwest Wildfire Academy, training 390 firefighters. Federal Excess Property worth \$6.7 million was loaned to VFDs. Volunteer Fire Assistance grants went to 333 communities.

Landowner Assistance:

An active stewardship coordinating committee is key to delivering the Forest Stewardship program to non-industrial private forest owners. The Forest Land Enhancement Program (FLEP) has revitalized Missouri's Committee—members now feel they have an effective tool to help shape the future of forestry in the state.

Forest Health Protection:

Tornadoes, winds, hail, and drought hit thousands of acres of Missouri forests. NA supplied aerial photography and helped map forest damage. Using NA's publication, *Storms Over the Urban Forest*, city foresters responded quickly to damage from downed trees. NA also helped identify, prioritize, and treat declining forests, removing dead or dying trees and replanting with vigorous young trees.

Economic Action Programs:

To enhance their capacity to provide forest product utilization and marketing assistance to the public, the Missouri Department of Conservation trained 40 foresters during a one-week in-service session. Activities included timber marking and estimating volume, log skidding and grading, portable mill operation, and lumber grading.

Forest Legacy Program:

Used geographic information system (GIS) technology to depict eligibility criteria and to assess forestland in the State. The layers of information will be an important part of the Assessment of Need for the Program.

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