



State and Private Forestry Fact Sheet

Maine 2019



Investment in State's Cooperative Programs

| Program | FY 2018 Final |
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| Community Forestry and Open Space | \$892,000 |
| Cooperative Lands - Forest Health Management | \$263,205 |
| Forest Legacy | \$0 |
| Forest Stewardship | \$163,174 |
| Landscape Scale Restoration | \$0 |
| State Fire Assistance | \$674,248 |
| Urban and Community Forestry | \$200,000 |
| Volunteer Fire Assistance | \$143,867 |
| Total | \$2,336,494 |

NOTE: This funding is for all entities within the state, not just the State Forester's office.

Program Goals

Key Issues

Forest Facts and Accomplishments

| Selected Facts | Value | FY 2018 Accomplishments | Value |
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| Population | 1,328,361 | Landowners Receiving Educational or Technical Assistance | 8,973 |
| Acres of Forest Land | 17,578,764 | Acres Covered by New or Revised Forest Stewardship Plans | 26,092 |
| Acres of Nonindustrial Private Forest Land | 12,082,000 | Acres in Important Forest Resource Areas Covered by New or Revised Stewardship Plans | 16,098 |
| Number of NIPF Landowners | 252,000 | Volunteer Fire Departments Assisted | 95 |
| Acres of Federal Land Under State Fire Protection | 0 | State Fire Communities Assisted | 135 |
| Acres of Private Land Under State Fire Protection | 1,766,000 | Coop Forest Health Acres Protected | 0 |
| Number of Rural Fire Departments | 419 | Forest Legacy Project Acquisitions | 1,574 |
| Cities and Towns | 22 | Communities Provided Urban Forestry Program Assistance | 171 |
| Forest Based Employment | 14,207 | Population Living in Communities Provided Urban Forestry Program Assistance | 979,158 |
| Economic Impact of Forestry (by rank) | 1 | Urban Forestry Volunteer Assistance | 9,502 |
| State Forestry Budget (All Sources) | 10,450,000 | | |

Program Highlights

Forest Health Protection

Emerald ash borer was detected in Maine for the first time in May, 2018. Detections have occurred in Aroostook and York Counties with extensive trap and trap tree surveys established. Browntail moth continued to expand its range further inland. Spring defoliation increased by 22,000 acres, while fall defoliation was estimated at approximately 126,000 acres. Winter moth also expanded its range with defoliation found for the first time in Hancock County. The parasitic fly used for biological control, *Cyzenis albicans*, continues to be released and recovered at sites.

Forest Stewardship

Quotes from two of the more than over 1,400 woodland owners, comprising nearly 167,000 acres, with current Forest Stewardship Plans:

"I am pleased by the program, the interest in sound forestry management and by the good, qualified foresters who are available to advise."

"The Maine Forest Service has been wonderfully helpful on all counts. I have especially appreciated site visits [which] have been consistently illuminating... [and the] financial help is greatly appreciated."

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