



State and Private Forestry Fact Sheet West Virginia 2019



Investment in State's Cooperative Programs

Program	FY 2018 Final
Community Forestry and Open Space	\$0
Cooperative Lands - Forest Health Management	\$456,020
Forest Legacy	\$0
Forest Stewardship	\$312,029
Landscape Scale Restoration	\$110,000
State Fire Assistance	\$629,765
Urban and Community Forestry	\$379,538
Volunteer Fire Assistance	\$153,815
Total	\$2,041,167

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
Population	1,852,994	Landowners Receiving Educational or Technical Assistance	4,965
Acres of Forest Land	12,077,499	Acres Covered by New or Revised Forest Stewardship Plans	9,782
Acres of Nonindustrial Private Forest Land	10,418,000	Acres in Important Forest Resource Areas Covered by New or Revised Stewardship Plans	5,908
Number of NIPF Landowners	251,000	Volunteer Fire Departments Assisted	100
Acres of Federal Land Under State Fire Protection	0	State Fire Communities Assisted	144
Acres of Private Land Under State Fire Protection	12,000,000	Coop Forest Health Acres Protected	7,857
Number of Rural Fire Departments	432	Forest Legacy Project Acquisitions	0
Cities and Towns	232	Communities Provided Urban Forestry Program Assistance	63
Forest Based Employment	10,198	Population Living in Communities Provided Urban Forestry Program Assistance	519,837
Economic Impact of Forestry (by rank)	1	Urban Forestry Volunteer Assistance	10,330
State Forestry Budget (All Sources)	8,007,548		

Program Highlights

Forest Health Protection

The West Virginia Department of Agriculture (WVDA) conducted gypsy moth insecticide treatments on 5,300 acres. Anthracnose on oak species accounted for 51,525 acres of damage statewide. WVDA developed and implemented a comprehensive management plan for Japanese barberry control at Cacapon State Park. Hemlock woolly adelgid treatments were conducted on 1,213 hemlocks on State Lands.

Contact Information



West Virginia Department of Commerce

Barry Cook
State Forester
Division of Forestry
1900 Kanawha Boulevard, East
Charleston, WV 25305-0180
304-558-2788
barry.l.cook@wv.gov

US Forest Service Northeastern Area S&PF

Kathleen Atkinson
Area Director
USDA Forest Service
11 Campus Blvd., Suite 200
Newtown Square, PA 19073
414-297-3765
katkinson@fs.fed.us
