## Natural Resource Contacts

## ALABAMA COOPERATIVE EXTENSION

**SYSTEM (ACES):** Extension specialists are available in most areas of farming, forestry, wildlife management and wood products. ACES has free publications on many topics of interest to landowners. For assistance or information, contact your local office listed under county government in your telephone book. <u>www.aces.edu</u>

## ALABAMA FORESTRY COMMISION (AFC):

The AFC offers free, on-site, forest management,



assistance and advice on tree planting, timber stand improvement, timber sales, harvesting, tree marking, insects, diseases and current market conditions. Commission foresters can develop a personalized management plan for your forest. If a more in-depth service is needed for your property, the AFC can furnish you with a list of names of consulting foresters, timber buyers and vendors in your area. Information on a wide variety of topics relating to natural resource management and corresponding web links are available from the AFC's web site, <u>www.forestry.alabama.gov</u>

## ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES (ADCNR):

ADCNR offers assistance to forest landowners interested in their wildlife assets by providing information on the development of wildlife management plans for both game and non-game species. Wildlife biologists are available to identify rare and endangered animals. Contact your local unit listed in the telephone under Alabama State Government. <u>www.dcnr.state.al.us</u>

**NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE (NRCS):** NRCS is an agency of the United State Department of Agriculture. It coordinates local conservation districts and assists landowners in planning for the proper use of their land. They also help develop a plan for management of the resources on your land, including wildlife, soil, water, and timber. The NRCS provides technical assistance to determine needs, objectives, economic desires and proper use of natural resources and coordinates them into specific recommendations. Contact your local office listed in the telephone under U. S. Government. The address for the web site for the NRCS is <u>http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/</u>.

**FARM SERVICE AGENCY (FSA):** FSA administers programs that provide incentive payments for practices that conserve forestland resources. These cost-sharing programs offer forest landowners a flat fee or a percentage of the total costs of tree planting, timber stand improvement, timber and wildlife habitat protection, forest management plans and wildlife habitat improvement. The address for the web site for the FSA is <u>http://www.fsa.usda.gov/</u>. Click on "Conservation programs."

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