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FLORIDA FOREST STEWARDSHIP APPLICATION

NEW APPLICATION REVISION

The Florida Forest Stewardship Program has been established to provide services that will meet the needs of the forest landowners. To participate in this voluntary program, forest landowners are encouraged to implement conservation practices as they are able, based on their objectives. The information on this application will help the Resource Professional develop a management plan that meets your objectives.

PLEASE PRINT

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ Middle Initial: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Telephone - Home: _____ Telephone - Work: _____

E-mail Address: _____

TRACT INFORMATION

1. County: _____ 2. Total Tract Acres: _____

3. Total Pine Acres: _____ 4. Total Forested Acres: _____

5. Tract Location: _____

6. Is this tract your primary residence? YES NO
If no, how many days/year are spent on the tract? _____

7. How long have you owned this property? 1 Yr. 1-5 Yrs. 5-15 Yrs. 15 or more Yrs.

8. Have you ever harvested timber from this tract? YES NO

9. Have you ever received technical advice about managing your property? YES NO

If yes, from whom? (Please check all that apply)

- Private resource professional
- Florida Forest Service
- Fish & Wildlife Conservation Commission
- Industrial Landowner Assistance Program
- Other (specify) _____

10. What type of technical assistance did you receive? (Please check all reasons that apply.)

- Preparing a forest management plan
- Timber sales or harvesting (timber marketing, sales assistance, timber valuation, etc.)
- Forest stand management (thinning, prescribed burn, pruning, herbicide application, etc.)
- Reforestation and planting
- Wildlife management
- Other (specify) _____

11. With the understanding that this is a multiple resource management program, please rank the three most important objectives you want addressed in your Stewardship Management Plan. Number **1** indicates most important and number **3** is relatively less important.
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| _____ Timber Management | _____ Wildlife Management |
| _____ Recreation | _____ Aesthetics |
| _____ Grazing | _____ Soil & Water Conservation |
| _____ Other (specify) _____ | |

12. Regarding wildlife, please check the species you are most interested in.
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Deer/Turkey | <input type="checkbox"/> Rabbits |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Squirrel | <input type="checkbox"/> Bobwhite Quail |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fish | <input type="checkbox"/> Water Fowl |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Songbirds | <input type="checkbox"/> Rare, threatened or endangered species |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify) _____ | |

FOREST STEWARDSHIP LANDOWNER’S CREED

I BELIEVE the right to own land carries the responsibility for stewardship of the natural resources in my care.

I BELIEVE that good stewardship of this country’s precious natural resources is necessary to the strength and well being of our great state and nation.

I BELIEVE that good stewardship of my forestlands will help provide this State’s needs for forest products, for clean air and water, for healthy and thriving populations of fish and wildlife, and for forest-based recreation.

I BELIEVE that good stewardship of my forestlands will contribute to the natural beauty of Florida and will guard against soil erosion and the depletion of soil productivity.

I BELIEVE further that good stewardship also involves protecting my forestlands from insects, diseases, wildfires, and overgrazing.

THEREFORE, I will work to implement conservation practices to produce a variety of benefits which may include scenic beauty, outdoor recreation, wildlife habitat, clean water, timber products and protection of the environmental and historical/cultural values for current and future generations.

Signature of Landowner _____
Date

***Landowners who own over 160 acres of forestland are encouraged to hire a Private Resource Professional.**

THE FOREST STEWARDSHIP MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR THIS LANDOWNER WILL BE PREPARED BY:

Name (Natural Resource Professional) _____
Telephone #

Agency or Company Name