



Who's minding the forest?

The men and women of the Louisiana Forestry Association are watching over Louisiana's 13.8 million acres of forests by practicing Sustainable Forestry.

We practice sustainable forestry by...



...recycling your paper into new products.

Thirty percent of the paper and paperboard we produce in Louisiana uses recycled paper. Nationally, the U.S. recovers more paper for recycling than all other materials combined. Thanks to millions of Americans recycling, 48% of the paper used is recycled.



U.S. papermakers recycle enough paper each day to fill a 15-mile-long train.

...preserving your favorite places.

Members of the Louisiana Forestry Association identify, manage and protect special sites with unique historical, ecological or biological significance. Whether it's a red-cockaded woodpecker habitat or the national champion cypress tree, Louisiana landowners take special care with special places.





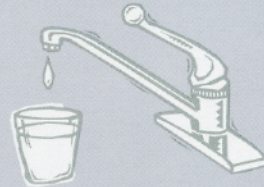
THE LOUISIANA FORESTRY ASSOCIATION

...protecting water quality.

Our members are committed to protect Louisiana's lakes, streams, and water supplies by meeting and exceeding Louisiana Best Management Practices (BMPs).

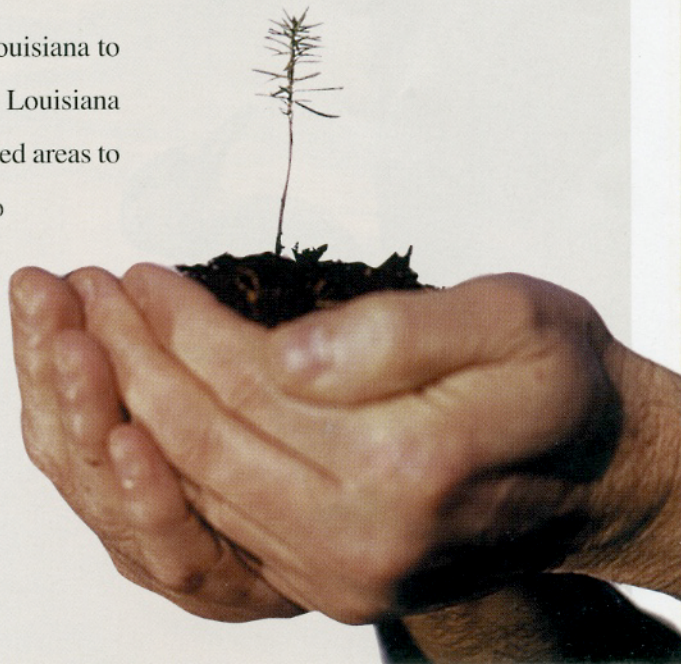
Last year a state survey found that 93% of logging sites followed these field guidelines, an increase from only 10% in 1985.

Forests produce our highest quality drinking water.

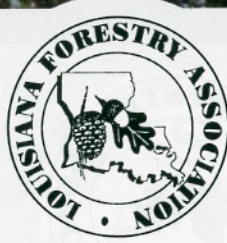


...planting more trees than we harvest each year.

Enough wood is harvested each year in Louisiana to build 150,000 homes. Members of the Louisiana Forestry Association reforest these harvested areas to ensure that future generations will also have a place to hunt, fish, work, camp, hike or drive through the rural splendor of Louisiana.



Each year we plant 25 trees for every Louisiana citizen – over 100 million seedlings.



THE LOUISIANA FORESTRY ASSOCIATION

Louisiana Tree Facts

Forests cover about half of our state, making it the state's greatest single land use.

Most Louisiana forestland (62%) is owned by small private landowners. Forest products companies own 29% and the public (federal and state forests) own 9%.

Trees are Louisiana's #1 crop – in fact, forestry contributes 45% of the value of all crops in the state. In 2001, the economic value of forestry in Louisiana was \$3.3 billion.

Over 20,000 people make a living in the manufacturing of wood and paper products in Louisiana.

Wildlife is flourishing in Louisiana. Numbers of deer, wild turkey and even the endangered red cockaded woodpecker are growing.

There are over a thousand Master Loggers in Louisiana who have completed training in recommended guidelines on road construction, site preparation, streamside management, and endangered species in the state.

Who are we?

We're the men and women who make our living in Louisiana's forests. We work as foresters, tree farmers, landowners, loggers, workers in the paper, lumber and other wood-related industries, and researchers in our universities in Louisiana.

Our mission is to promote the health and productivity of Louisiana's forests for present and future generations through the practice of Sustainable Forestry.

The Louisiana Forestry Association is a partner in the Sustainable Forestry Initiative® program of the American Forest & Paper Association.



For more information about Louisiana forestry, call us in Alexandria at (318) 443-2558 or visit our website at www.laforestry.com.

