Maryland Small Acreage Professional Forester Directory

As the population of Maryland has grown, many larger parcels of land have been divided into properties ranging from 1 to 10 acres, with a mix of woodland and open land. In 2006, 85% of Maryland private woodland owners had properties from 1 to 10 acres. This is important because 78% of Maryland woodlands are privately owned. These landowners have a diverse range of objectives, including recreation, hunting, timber, wildlife habitat improvement, water quality, firewood or other forest products.

Property owners who have 1 to 10 acres often have special challenges in finding professional services for their woodlands. For example, state foresters can develop forest management plans for larger woodlands over 10 acres, but often cannot for smaller properties due to limited resources. Small-acreage owners may need the assistance of a professional forester to help them manage wildlife habitat, create stream corridors, remove invasive species, harvest or plant trees, or develop a simple forest stewardship plan to guide their activities over the next 10-15 years.

In order to assist the small-acreage woodland owner, University of Maryland Extension has developed this directory. The consulting and industrial professional foresters listed here are willing to work with small acreage woodland owners to encourage healthy and sustainable woodlands. Each listing includes the services offered by the individual and/or company, as well as which Maryland counties they serve. Interested small-acreage owners are encouraged to interview the service providers in this directory to find the right forester for their needs.

All foresters practicing within the State of Maryland, public or private, must be licensed. Each will have license number they can provide upon request. Pennsylvania, Virginia, and Delaware do not license professional foresters, but West Virginia does.

The license requires graduation from a forestry school accredited by the Society of American Foresters with at least a Bachelor of Science degree and two years of practical experience under the guidance of a licensed forester. Foresters on this list are Licensed Professional Foresters with the State of Maryland’s Board of Foresters within the Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation.

Owners of small-acreage lots with woodlands can benefit from professional assistance in managing their property.
Before selecting a private forester:

- Get references from other landowners who have used a licensed private forester.
- Select a few foresters from the list and talk with them about your stewardship objectives.
- Ask for references, experience, a prior job site to inspect, or client to contact. Be clear on the details of contracting, fees, etc.
- Meet at your property with one or more of the foresters with whom you feel comfortable. Some may make a brief initial visit at no charge depending on the types of services requested.
- Select a forester who understands and can fulfill your goals, provides a reasonable return on the cost of services, has good references, and has a personality compatible with yours.

Be sure to:

- Sign a written contract with the forester that spells out the services and fees.
- Communicate regularly. The forester becomes a partner in the stewardship of your land.

Public Foresters (Service & Extension)

In additional to private foresters, there are two categories of public foresters in Maryland. Service foresters are employed by the Maryland Department of Natural Resources Forest Service and are located in each county. They provide basic information on your forest and its potential, management alternatives, financial incentive programs (cost-share), and programs to reduce your property taxes (woodland assessment program). For a reasonable fee, they can write a Forest Stewardship Management plan (usually on properties larger than 10 acres) and provide other services, but they cannot conduct commercial timber sales.

Extension foresters are employed by the University of Maryland Extension (UME) and provide research-based educational assistance through programs accessed at the local UME county offices, and available at the Woodland Stewardship Education website: go.umd.edu/woodland.

The following publications are available online at the above website. These and other resources may be of interest to those seeking assistance for forest stewardship planning or marketing forest products.

- Developing a Forest Stewardship Plan: The Key to Forest Stewardship (FS 625)
- Marketing Forest Products (EB367)

Help Us Update this Directory

This directory is updated periodically, but may not include the most recent information due to the publication date. Professional foresters wishing to have their names added to this list or have the information listed updated may do so by contacting:

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Woodland Stewardship Education
University of Maryland Extension
18330 Keedysville Road
Keedysville, MD 21756
301-432-2767 x323

(www.dllr.state.md.us/license/for). You can verify a license, file a complaint and find other information at the website.

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Maryland Small-Acreage Professional Foresters
Directory Key

Key to Services:
1. Forest Management Plans
2. Woodland Assessment Program
   (tax benefit planning)
3. Timber Sales & Marketing
4. Forest Appraisals
5. Trespass & Expert Witness
6. Timber Stand Improvement
7. Wildlife Habitat Improvement
8. Cost-share Coordination
9. Reforestation & Tree Planting
10. Property Line Maintenance
11. Harvesting Permit Preparation
12. Forest Conservation Act

Key to Areas Served:
- AL - Allegany County
- AA - Anne Arundel County
- BC - Baltimore City
- BA - Baltimore County
- CA - Calvert County
- CL - Caroline County
- CR - Carroll County
- CE - Cecil County
- CH - Charles County
- DO - Dorchester County
- FR - Frederick County
- GA - Garrett County
- HA - Harford County
- HO - Howard County
- KE - Kent County
- MO - Montgomery County
- PG - Prince George's County
- QA - Queen Anne's County
- SO - Somerset County
- SM - St. Mary's County
- TA - Talbot County
- WA - Washington County
- WI - Wicomico County
- WO - Worcester County
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Area: AL, AA, BA, CR, FR, GA, HO, MO, WA

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Area: BA, CR, CE, HA, HO, KE, QA

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