

Woodland Management Tips That Pay!

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Woodland Benefits!

- Why do you own Your Woodlands?
- What are some of the benefits that you hope to receive from your woodlands?
- How do you plan to get there?



Why do Ohioans own forestland?

Reasons for Owning Woods
The percentage of landowners in this group who cited each of these reasons for owning land as important or very important to them.

TOOLS FOR ENGAGING LANDOWNERS EFFECTIVELY
Woodland Owner Profile

All Family 10+ Acres Ohio

Reason	Percentage
Beauty	85%
Wildlife	80%
Nature	75%
Water	70%
Legacy	65%
Privacy	60%
Family	55%
Recreation	50%
Hunting	45%
Investment	40%
Firewood	35%
Timber	30%
NTFPs*	25%

Tip #1. Explore your options

- Even if timber is an option that you are considering:
- You may only be able to harvest timber from your woodland once in your lifetime



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Tip #1. Explore your options

- Aesthetics and Recreation
 - Personal use
 - Income opportunities
 - Camp sites
 - Cabins
- Products for farm/home use
 - Fuel wood
 - Lumber
 - Fence posts
 - Food



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Tip #1. Explore your options

- Non-Timber Forest Products
- Medicinal Herbs
 - e.g. Ginseng and goldenseal
 - Edibles
 - Maple syrup, mushrooms, berries, nuts and wild game
 - Native plants for landscaping



Keys to Success:
Find niche markets and diversify

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Tip #1. Explore your options

Wildlife

- Personal Use
 - **Hunting**
 - **Viewing**
 - **Photography**
 - **Maintaining Diversity**
- Income Opportunities
 - **Hunting leases**
 - **Camp sites**
 - **Cabin rentals**



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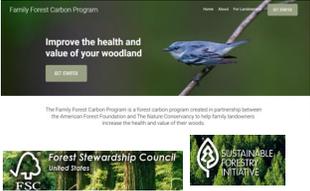
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What's in the future?

Carbon

Other Environmental Services

- **Water**
- **Biodiversity**
- **Etc.**

Certified Forest Products



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TIP # 2: Develop a Plan to help you reach your goals

- Helps you to refine your objectives and to set reasonable goals.
- Helps you to focus Time, Interest, Money and Energy to accomplish Goals
- May be needed to get a property tax reduction (OFTL and CAUV) and to be eligible for cost-share on projects (EQIP- Environmental Quality Incentives Program)

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STAND MAP



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What's in a forest management plan?

- Description of the Property and Forest Resources
- Goals and Objectives
 - Property
 - Stand
- Activity Schedule

Stand number	Acres	Site Quality	Cover Type	Description	Objective	Activity Needed
1	5	1 Excellent	White Pine Plantation	2 year old	Grow High Quality White Pine	Protect from deer until over 5 ft. Thin at age 15
2	10	2 Good	Mixed Hardwood	40 years old	Produce High quality timber and Mast for wildlife	Treat grapevines on potential Crop Trees, Release grape vines
3	25	3 Good	Mixed Oak	85 years, Previously High graded.	Provide turkey habitat and regenerate stand	Check for potential crop trees to regenerate

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How many Ohio's Have A Plan?

17% of the landowners in this group have received advice or information about care, management or protection of their woodland in the past five years.

Sources of Advice
The proportion of landowners that said they have received advice from each of these sources in the past five years.

State or local government employee	11%
Federal government employee	3%
Private consultant	8%
Another landowner	1%
Family member or friend	4%
Other	0%

Program Participation

Have management plan	12%
Have green certification	0%
Have easement	5%
Have cost-share	8%

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Tip #3: Know what you have!
A good inventory:

- Is needed for a forest management plan.
- Helps you to identify resources and options.
 - Timber value and future potential
 - Wildlife Habitat
 - Potential sites for non-timber forest products
- Helps you to set realistic goals for your woodland.

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Tip #3: Know what you have!
A good inventory:

Will allow you to determine your Basis

- Reduces the taxes that you pay on the proceeds from a future timber sale.

Help you determine growth rates and rates of return

- Helps you to harvest when your trees are financially mature.



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Tip # 4. Focus activities on the most productive stands and trees

- Crop Tree Management and Timber Stand Improvement (TSI) will be more effective
 - Best return for time and money invested.
 - Concentrates growth on most valuable trees

Also applies to non-timber forest products and wildlife management activities



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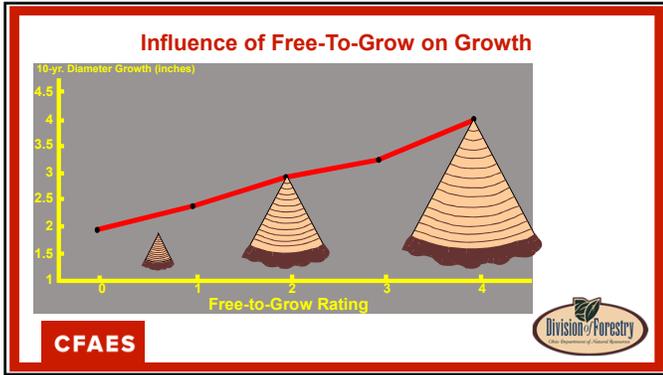
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Free-to-Grow = "4"

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Tip #5. Protect your woodlands from:

- Wildfire
 - Maintain access
 - Observe burning regulations
- Livestock
 - Exclude with fencing
- Insects and Disease
 - Avoid overcrowding
 - Encourage species diversity in forest
- Invasive Exotic Plants
 - Evaluate prior to timber harvest

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Tip #5. Protect your woodlands from:

The Columbus Dispatch RACE to WIN a VIP Experience at the DAYTONA 500!

Logger gets 4 years for timber theft

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A southeastern Ohio logger has been sentenced to four years in prison for stealing more than \$2 million in timber from land owned by an elderly Grove City resident. Vinton County Common Pleas Judge Jeffrey Simmons also ordered **Mark Betts**, the owner of Betts Logging, to pay \$2,025,088 in restitution, Ohio Attorney General Mike DeWine said in a news release.

By Mary Beth Lane, The Columbus Dispatch

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Videos:
1. Woodland Boundaries: Introduction (7:48 min)

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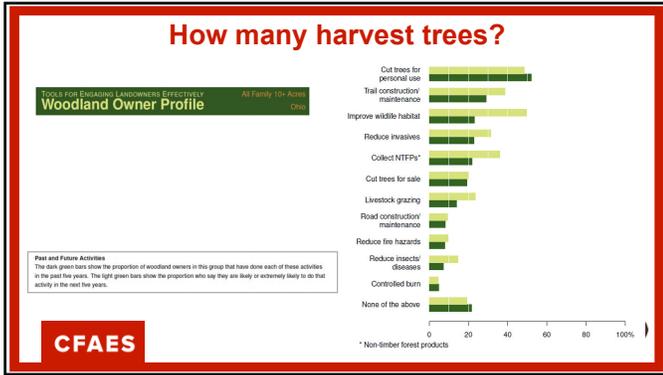
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Tip # 6. Get professional forester assistance prior to a harvest

- Will help to make sure that your objectives are not compromised
- Will help you to conserve your forest for future generations
 - Focus on residual stand, regeneration and invasive Species
- Also, helps you to get a competitive price for the trees that you sell

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Tip # 6. Get professional forester assistance prior to a harvest

At a minimum be sure that you:

- Mark trees to be harvested
- Get at least 3 bids
- Get paid prior to the harvest.
- Have a contract that protects you and your property.
- Make sure that Best Management Practices (BMP's) are followed
- Consider hiring a Master Logging Company

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Tip # 7. Keep informed

Know what forest health problems may be affecting your forest in the future.

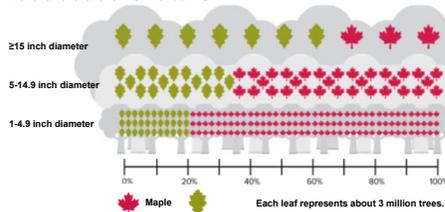
- Emerald Ash borer
- Gypsy Moth
- Asian Longhorned Beetle
- Hemlock Woolly Adelgid
- Thousand Canker Disease
- Deer Impacts
- Invasive Exotic Plants
- Lack of oak regeneration



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Oaks were here in the past, are here now, but what about the future?



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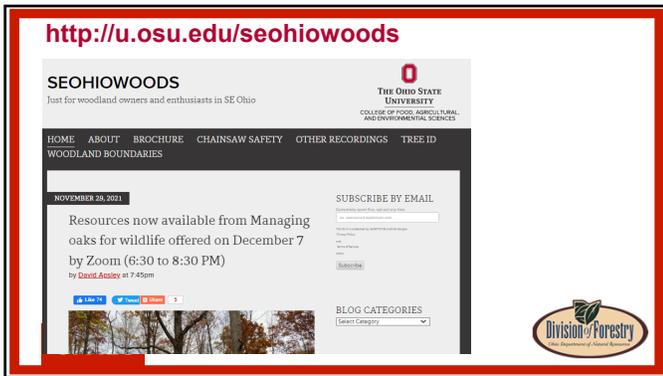
Tip # 7. Keep informed

- Join the your local woodland interest group or become a Tree Farmer.
- Attend Ohio Woodland Stewards classes, sign up for our newsletter
- Search the Internet - OSU Extension, Fact Sheets and other information



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Where to Get Help!

- OSU Extension
- ODNR Division of Forestry
- ODNR Division of Wildlife
- Soil and Water Conservation Districts
- Tree Farm

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Questions?

The Future of Oak is in Our Hands!

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