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Maryland's Voice for Forest, Wildlife, and Natural Resource Management.



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### Our Vision

The Maryland Forests Association envisions a future in which vibrant forests are maintained throughout the State, providing diverse economic and environmental benefits to all.



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## MFA Board: Seeking Hunt Club Member

The MFA is currently seeking a hunt club member to join our board. If you are a hunt club member and have a desire to serve on the MFA board, please contact Todd Berman.

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## Message from the President



As the seasons change, from summer to fall, the woods are coming alive for my family and hopefully yours. Many of our members are hitting the woods to cut firewood, take pictures of migratory birds, or to earn a living. We have a remarkably diverse state from east to west. I urge you to take time from shuffling your kids to soccer practice or doctor's visits and walk in the woods. As always, watch for ticks and prepare yourself with the right clothing, but you will come back feeling refreshed and alive. For me sitting or walking in the woods just makes me feel renewed. Even if you do not own an acre of forest, there are wonderful forests across this state that are there for you to enjoy. Sometime, if you get a chance, go see a forest that you have not explored before.

This is a perfect time of year to take a walk through the woods. The air is cooler, the fall colors will start to show, and all my favorite activities are starting to heat up in the woods. I love to get out into our forests this time of year whether it is for camping, hunting, looking at timber, or hiking. I went with my boys canoeing and camping just last week in Shad Landing State Park. The Rangers and staff there have done a wonderful job keeping up hiking and canoeing trails. Then in just a few short weeks black powder season will come in and the boys and I will venture into the woods for food. When I hunt with my boys, we mostly sit in the deer stand, discuss current issues, share a candy bar or two and watch the beauty of nature. We often do not see our quarry but we do see all sorts of birds, foxes and the occasional eagle soar overhead. I recently talked to a fellow forest enthusiast about his times going to the woods. He found his camera was much more to his liking than a rifle or bow. This allowed him to have a similar experience in a deer camp but none of the clean up. This discussion has me often thinking about taking a camera with me.

As we feel our days are getting shorter and our free time is drawn to all sorts of activities in the woods and away, please take time sit on a bench and watch a wood pecker, learn something new, see something new, and let your worries and concerns fall like the leaves of the season. Enjoy Maryland's Forests.

Todd Berman, President

### Electronic CrossCut

If you are interested in receiving the next issue of CrossCut electronically, instead of print, please e-mail the MFA office, [director@mdforests.org](mailto:director@mdforests.org).

In your email please include your name, company name, and e-mail address.



**“Going to the woods is going home.”**

**-John Muir**

## Member Information

In an effort to make sure our membership database is up to date, the MFA recently mailed all members a demographic survey. Completion of this survey is very important to the MFA to ensure that we have the most current contact information on file for all members.

If you have not received yours, please contact the MFA office and we will be happy to mail you a copy.

Phone: 410-823-1789

Email: [director@mdforests.org](mailto:director@mdforests.org)

## MFA Resources

There are many useful resources available to those in Maryland’s forestry industry. Below are just a few; access a more complete list on the MFA website, [www.mdforests.org](http://www.mdforests.org), Resources page.

Maryland DNR: [www.dnr.state.md.us/forests](http://www.dnr.state.md.us/forests)

MD Invasive Species Council: [www.mdinvasivesp.org](http://www.mdinvasivesp.org)

MD Forest Conservancy District Boards: [www.marylandforestryboards.org](http://www.marylandforestryboards.org)

Society of American Foresters: [www.eforester.org](http://www.eforester.org)

## New Website

For those of you that have visited the MFA website recently, you have definitely noticed a few changes. The updated website can be found at it’s normal location, [www.mdforests.org](http://www.mdforests.org). We encourage you to explore the new website and visit all that it has to offer, including past editions of newsletters, industry resources, and forestry programs. The MFA has also recently changed their contact information, which can be found to the right.

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## **NRCS Provides More Than \$700,000 for Agricultural and Wetland Easements in Maryland**

**Annapolis, Md.**, September 15, 2014 – USDA’s Natural Resources Conservation Service is investing \$328 million to help private landowners protect and restore key farmlands, grasslands and wetlands. The 2014 Farm Bill created the Agricultural Conservation Easement Program, or ACEP, to protect critical wetlands and keep lands in farming and ranching for the future.

“Conservation easements help farmers protect valuable agricultural lands from development while enhancing lands best suited for wetlands to their natural conditions,” NRCS Maryland program manager M. Tiffany Davis said. “These easements are making a dramatic and positive impact for rural communities and species habitat.”

The program’s first signup netted 1,450 applications nationwide requesting more than \$546 million in funding to restore and protect more than 345,000 acres through easements. Out of those applications, about 380 of the top easement projects were selected to protect and restore 32,000 acres of prime farmland, 45,000 acres of grasslands and 52,000 acres of wetlands.

About \$712,523 is being invested this year in Maryland through ACEP. The five projects selected will protect and restore more than 250 acres of sensitive wetlands across the state.

Through ACEP, private landowners and eligible conservation partners working with landowners can request assistance from NRCS to protect and enhance agricultural land through an agricultural or wetland easement.

These easements deliver many benefits to Maryland’s landscape over the long term, for example, this year’s projects will:

Improve water quality and wetland storage capacity in the Chesapeake Bay Watershed; and

Protect habitat for the threatened Delmarva fox squirrel.

ACEP consolidates three former NRCS easement programs – Farm and Ranch Lands Protection Program, Grasslands Reserve Program and Wetlands Reserve Program – into two components – one that protects farmlands and grasslands and another that protects and restores agricultural wetlands.

“The 2014 Farm Bill streamlined NRCS’s major easement programs into one, putting the important benefits of protecting farmlands, grasslands and wetlands all under one roof to make it simpler for landowners to participate,” Davis said.

Find more information on ACEP here (visit [www.nrcs.usda.gov](http://www.nrcs.usda.gov)). To learn about technical and financial assistance available through conservation programs, visit [www.nrcs.usda.gov/GetStarted](http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/GetStarted) or local USDA service center.

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*More Information can be found by visiting the USDA NRCS website, on the Newsroom tab.*

***“Life starts  
all over  
again when  
it gets crisp  
in the  
fall...”  
-F. Scott  
Fitzgerald***

## **Maryland Emerald Ash Borer Survey**

In August, the Woodland Stewardship Education program invited Maryland’s foresters to participate in a survey about the presence of Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) as experienced in their profession. The survey invitation was sent to a mailing list of 148 state, consulting and industrial foresters across the state; the invitation resulted in an 11% response rate. Despite the low return, the survey yielded several worthwhile results.

Maryland state foresters were the largest respondents, accounting for 71% of those who participated. Consulting foresters accounted for the remaining 29%; no industrial foresters replied. Of those who participated in the survey, 88% characterized themselves as “knowledgeable,” “very knowledgeable,” or “extremely knowledgeable” about EAB. However, only 60% of respondents said they had seen ash mortality due to EAB during their work in Maryland’s woodlands.

The survey invited the participants to select from a list of Maryland

counties to indicate where they had encountered EAB. Allegany and Washington counties received the most votes, followed by Garrett County. Charles and Frederick counties were also selected. No counties east of Charles County were selected.

Further questions asked how the professionals were approaching EAB infestations. Seventy-three percent noted that they had recommended a proactive removal of ash trees. Nearly two-thirds (63%) had recommended removal on properties less than 20 acres. Other respondents noted that they had recommended removals on large, publically-owned land and on tracts of over 100 acres. Interestingly, the percentages were exactly reversed in response to the question, “Have you conducted a proactive removal or harvest of ash trees?” as 63% replied “No.”

Finally, the respondents were asked to select from a list of five EAB online resources they had visited. The Maryland Dept. of Natural Resources EAB page was the most popular (88%), followed by USDA Forest Service Forest Health Protection’s EAB page (69%) and [emeraldashborer.info](http://emeraldashborer.info) (63%).



## **Governor Corbett Announces Pennsylvania is Receiving Federal Dollars to Plan Forest Management, Conservation for Bats**

HARRISBURG, Pa., Sept. 9, 2014 /PRNewswire-USNewswire/ -- Governor Tom Corbett today announced that Pennsylvania will receive an additional \$675,000 from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service through the federal Cooperative Endangered Species Conservation Fund to support conservation planning for bats on 3.8 million acres of public lands in Pennsylvania.

"We're taking a proactive approach to planning for the conservation of Indiana, long-eared and other bats across the state lands system through this process to avoid impacts to the greatest extent possible, and mitigate them where they might occur," Gov. Corbett said.

Combined with a 2012 grant, Pennsylvania has received a total of \$1.2 million for the development of a Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP) to address impacts to federally-listed bats in Pennsylvania from forest management practices on state park, forest and game lands.

The Department of Conservation and Natural Resources and the Game Commission manage a combined 3.8 million acres of mostly forested public lands for many uses and values, including wildlife habitat.

The original grant of \$600,000 allowed for the development of the HCP itself. The additional \$675,000 will enable the agencies to complete all public outreach functions required of the HCP process such as an Environmental Impact Statement and all public meetings. The agencies anticipate drafts will be available in summer 2015.

"One of the benefits of this plan is that it allows our agencies to limit and address impacts across the entire 3.8 million acres over a 30-year period, rather than on a project-by-project basis," DCNR

Secretary Ellen Ferretti said. "That allows us to be more proactive in planning for the conservation of bats across the system of state lands."

The plan will cover forest management activities such as removing trees for regeneration, harvesting damaged trees, maintaining trails and roads and conducting prescribed fires, and it will outline how to effectively minimize and mitigate impacts on protected bats.

Initiatives such as seasonal restrictions, canopy retention and hibernation protection will be incorporated into the plan to aid in the conservation of Indiana and other bats.

Both agencies are waiting for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife's final determination of the northern long-eared bat's listing status in April 2015 to determine the level of inclusion in the HCP.

Pennsylvania's grant was part of nearly \$35 million in grants announced today to 20 states to enable collaborative efforts to conserve many of America's imperiled species.

"We are pleased to work with and support the efforts of the Pennsylvania Game Commission and the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources to conserve bats that have been devastated by the disease white-nose syndrome," said Lora Zimmerman, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's Pennsylvania supervisor.

For more information about the Pennsylvania Habitat Conservation Plan visit [http://www.dcnr.state.pa.us/cs/groups/public/documents/document/dcnr\\_20028770.pdf](http://www.dcnr.state.pa.us/cs/groups/public/documents/document/dcnr_20028770.pdf).

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*Source:*

Pennsylvania Office of the Governor

## Featured Member

### Johnson Lumber Company

From his office on Longwood Road in Easton, Md., just a mile from the "Little Red Schoolhouse," Alan Johnson recounted how Johnson Lumber Company got its start back in the 50's. "My grandfather (Dudley) and my dad (Fred) were veneer loggers. Grandpop's brothers were in logging, too. The family was originally from Tennessee, but Dad grew up in Calvert County, MD, and started helping out while in high school in 1955.

"Grandpop liked the Eastern Shore and moved here about 1963. Dad traveled back and forth and began working on the Eastern Shore more and more.

"When a small sawmill came up for sale near Grandpop's house — they called it a peckerwood mill — they bought it."

Peckerwood mills were portable sawmills and got their peculiar name, it is said, because they didn't cut wood much faster than a woodpecker. These sawmills could be moved around in the woods to where the trees were being cut.

When a site on Longwoods Road with a pre-existing sawmill went on the market in 1968, the Johnsons purchased it, and the business kept growing.

"Grandpop ran the mill, and Dad stayed in the woods. His crew cut the trees down and cut them to length in the woods."

Johnson's uncles, Pat and Bobby, also worked at the mill, and his aunts, Claudette and Betty, worked in the office at one time or another. His mother, Frances, also worked there until just a few years ago. She still fills in when needed.

"Then logging changed," Johnson continued. "Tree-length timber was brought into the lumber yard to be cut to length. Grandpop and Dad then ran the yard together along with the rest of the family.



"I graduated from high school in 1979 and went to lumber grading school, after which we all three worked together. At that point Dad was running things at the mill, while Grandpop was out looking for timber. I was learning everything from the bottom up — how to saw, cut logs, drive trucks... My responsibilities changed as I got older. After my grandfather retired, my dad went back to buying timber, and I was helping with running the mill more in the 1980s."

Johnson's sister, Donna, joined the business out of college in the early 80s and is a partner now. She oversees daily office operations, as well as doing accounts payable and payroll. Betty Whitson is the secretary and takes care of daily deliveries and tickets; Lee Cook is company CFO and wears many hats in the office. There are a total of 45 employees.

Fourteen years ago, a new mill was built. "The old one was outdated. It was stay and modernize or get out," Johnson recalled. "We were too young to give up."

"It took eight months to build the mill. We dismantled the old one, salvaging some

equipment and adding new. With the new mill, production went way up, from 12 million feet per year to 18 million.

"That went on for 10 years and then the market turned sour. Logging on the Eastern Shore is different. The logs are still out there, but not enough to keep the pace up. So, we downsized a little, slowed down, and we are now back to 12 million feet per year. It's easier to manage."

Crane mats are the company's specialty and account for about 30 percent of the business. They're used on pipeline and construction jobs such as temporary bridge work and when working in wetlands. Johnson Lumber builds them from 6 to 12 inches thick, 2 to 6 feet wide and up to 32 feet in length. While there is not much call for the mats locally, Johnson ships them from Virginia to Maine and west to Pittsburgh.

Another 50 percent of the business comes from grade and pallet lumber, construction timbers, and railway timbers. Grade lumber is used for everything from flooring to house trim.

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# Johnson Lumber Company

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"We cut red and white oak, poplar, beech, gum — all hardwoods," Johnson said. Pine is cut in the winter for pallet wood.

The mulch business has grown since the 1980s and plays "a huge part" of Johnson Lumber now, Johnson said. When demand increased beyond production capability, Johnson bought a wood grinder — a Magnum Force Series 6800T Track Grinder — from Continental Biomass Industries Inc. in late 2009. Rather than stacking logs to wait for a grinder service, he now contracts with John Elben of Elben Logging to run the grinder operation, which produces 10 to 12 trailer loads per day.

The mulch is reground at the mill and piled high for several months during the winter. In spring, re-grinding begins, so that mulch is ground three times before being sold.

Johnson also contracts with Webb Dulin of Mid-Atlantic Transport to haul chips and to deliver other products. "Webb keeps four trucks here all the time. We use our three (with one in reserve), plus his," Johnson said.

Not letting anything go to waste, Johnson sends wood chips to Spring Grove, Pa., to be made into paper, and sells sawdust to the horse industry in Maryland, Delaware and Pennsylvania.

Logging continues on the Eastern Shore. Johnson said he does select harvest or clear cut, depending on the forest itself, its needs and what the landowner wants. "We can't clear cut every forest. It's about 50-50, clear and select cut. The foresters with the landowner decide that."



With many repeat customers and even repeated landowner clients, Johnson hasn't done much advertising until recently, with mulch sales. His family-owned business stands on a good reputation, built over three generations.

Johnson Lumber Company  
Easton, MD  
410-822-5476

*Carol Kinsley*  
[cjkinsley@comcast.net](mailto:cjkinsley@comcast.net)

# Forest Industry Calendar

## October 14, 2014

Making the Grade: Trees to Lumber Webinar

Location: Online (Penn State Extension)

Website: <http://extension.psu.edu/natural-resources/forests/events/making-the-grade-trees-to-lumber-noon-webinar>

## October 16, 2014

2014 Eastern PA Consulting & Industrial Forester Conference

Location: Dauphin County Conservation District Office (Dauphin, PA)

Contact: Andrew Brought, 570-875-3605  
abrought@pa.gov

## October 16, 2014

Roach-Bauer Forestry Forum

Location: Kane Country Club  
Kane, PA

Contact: AHUG, 814-837-8550  
bchardwood@earthlink.net

## October 21, 2014

Champion Tree Tour

Location: Brookside Gardens  
Wheaton, MD

Contact: Montgomery Parks, 301-962-1400  
www.montgomeryparks.org

## October 22, 2014

Champion Tree Tour of Prince George's County

Location: College Park Airport  
College Park, MD

Contact: Kimberley Knox, 240-601-2802  
kimberleyknox@hotmail.com

## October 25, 2014

Tree Farm Tour—Eaton Trust Lands

Location: Kent County, MD

Contact: Teri Batchelor, 410-819-4121

## November 6, 2014

Learning How to Heat With Wood & Pellets... Save Money & Be Warm!

Location: Garrett Community College  
McHenry, MD

Contact: Susan Coddington, 301-334-6960  
susanp@umd.edu

## November 11 and November 18, 2014

The Woods in Your Backyard Workshop

Location: Montgomery County Extension Office

Derwood, MD

Contact: Chuck Schuster, 301-590-2807  
cfs@umd.edu

## November 8, 2014

Agroforestry Workshop

Location: Lord Fairfax Community College  
Warrenton, VA

Contact: Virginia Tech  
<http://forestupdate.frec.vt.edu/landownerprograms/workshops/agroforestryworkshop/index.html>

## November 21, 2014

Maryland Water Monitoring Council

Conference : Looking to the Past to Guide our Future

Location: Maritime Institute  
Linthicum, MD

Contact: Dan Boward, 410-260-8605

## December 17, 2014

Somerset Forest Conservancy District Board Meeting

Location: 11767 Beechwood Street  
Princess Anne, MD

Contact: John Jordan, 410-651-2004  
jjordan@dnr.state.md.us

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# Maryland Farm Bureau Updates

**“The creation of a thousand forests is in one acorn.”  
-Ralph Waldo Emerson**



## Delmarva Fox Squirrel



In late September, Governor Martin O'Malley, U.S. Senator Ben Cardin, and

Secretary of the Interior, Sally Jewell traveled to Maryland's Blackwater National Wildlife Refuge to announce the proposed delisting of the Delmarva Peninsula fox squirrel from the Endangered Species List.

Maryland Farm Bureau supports the delisting of the Delmarva fox squirrel from the Endangered Species List. We encourage members in the mid and lower shore regions (from Worcester to

Kent County) to submit comments supporting the delisting of the Delmarva fox squirrel. Members may send in comments to the address below.

Public Comments Processing, Attn: FWS-R5-ES-2014-0021, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Headquarters, MS: BPHC, 5275 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church, VA 22041-3803.

For more information on the delisting, visit the Maryland Farm Bureau website, and choose the “Government Relations bulletins” under the Policy & Action tab and select the bulletin from September 25th.

## Western Maryland and Sunday Hunting



The proposed regulations regarding changes in Sunday hunting in Allegany, Garrett,

Washington and Frederick Counties have been published in the Maryland Register. The public comment period on the proposed regulations is now open, and DNR will consider all public comments.

The comment period will end on November 3, 2014. A copy of the

notice and description of the process for proposed regulations may be found by visiting : <http://mfbb.informz.net/MFBB/data/images/ProposedRegsNotice%209-19-14.pdf>

The Maryland Farm Bureau encourage members to submit comments in favor of expanding additional Sunday Hunting days in Western Maryland. Members may submit comments by mail to:

Peter Jayne, Associate Director, Wildlife and Heritage Service, Department of Natural Resources PO Box 68 Wye Mills, MD 21679

### **Wye Welcomes New Forest Stewardship Educator**

Lyle Almond is the new Forest Stewardship Educator for University of Maryland Extension at the Wye Research and Education Center (WREC). He comes to Extension after ten years as a forester on the Olympic Peninsula of western Washington. After receiving his MS in Forest Resources Management at University of Washington, he worked for WA DNR as a regeneration silviculturist and as both the

forester and restoration ecologist for the Makah Tribe on Washington's northwest coast. He recently completed a Fulbright Exchange in Slovenia, where he studied the European tradition of nature-based forestry. Lyle is looking forward to working with people on projects both within and beyond the University on such initiatives as native woodland restoration, working forest conservation easements, and cultivating woodland medicinal and edible plants. You can reach Lyle at (410) 827- 8056 ext. 125 or [lalmond@umd.edu](mailto:lalmond@umd.edu).

### **New Emerald Ash Borer Fact Sheet Available**

The University of Maryland Extension's Woodland Stewardship Education program has a new fact sheet available. FS-991, "Emerald Ash Borer and the Private Woodland Owner," summarizes the state of EAB infestation in Maryland and provides ways to identify EAB infestation, Although EAB cannot as yet be

eradicated or controlled, there are a variety of strategies that can minimize the impact on your woodlands. This fact sheet shares tips and techniques for managing woodlands affected by this invasive and destructive insect.

This new fact sheet is available from the Publications Library at the pro-gram's website. Go to <http://extension.umd.edu/woodland/your-woodland/publications-library> and select the "Invasive Species" category.

### **Marking Property Access With Blue Paint**

Landowners in Maryland have an alternative way of marking their property to aid hunters, recreationists and others. Painting vertical blue stripes on trees serves the same purpose as a series of posted signs. They indicate that the property is off-limits to people without permission.

The University of Maryland Co-operative Extension Bulletin EB357, *Landowner Liability and Recreation Access*, provides suggestions for using blue paint for property marking.

The publication is available at [http://extension.umd.edu/sites/default/files/\\_docs/programs/woodland-steward/EB357\\_LandownerLiabilityRecAccess.pdf](http://extension.umd.edu/sites/default/files/_docs/programs/woodland-steward/EB357_LandownerLiabilityRecAccess.pdf).

The blue paint stripes must be at least two inches wide and eight inches long, and positioned from three to six feet above the ground. They should be used along entrances, public roads, waterways, and adjoining lands. While there is no set distance that the marks should be placed, they should be close enough that one can see the next stripe.

Consider using blue paint instead of using posted signs. Posted signs are subject to weather and vandalism. Paint marks last longer and do not mar your trees.

# Lawn to Woodland Program

Source : Maryland Department of Natural Resources

## Maryland Leads the Way in Innovation to Protect Our Resources



Maryland is blessed by the bounty of its forests and waterways. From the Chesapeake Bay to the shore of the Youghiogheny, our waterways have been the highways of discovery and the heart of prosperity. Our rich, green forests provide homes for important wildlife and store and yield our snow and rainfall.

These natural resources are treasured today for recreation as well as their economic importance – they are a source of statewide pride. A number of efforts are underway to protect or restore the purity of Maryland’s resources and we would like to introduce you to one in which you can personally play an important role.



### *The Rural Residential Stewardship Initiative Expands to Lawn to Woodland*

Through the Lawn to Woodland program, the Maryland Department of Natural Resources (DNR) is expanding the Rural Residential Stewardship initiative, which began in Baltimore County in 2005. The goal of the project is to make a difference in water quality by converting large areas of turf into treed landscapes and small woodlands.

With funding from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, the county and cooperating landowners restored trees to numerous small parcels that together are making a significant contribution to cleaner air and water.

DNR is building upon this success to further promote stewardship throughout the state with this new program. Maryland’s innovative effort may well become a model for other states.

## The Next Steps...

What do you need to do to begin turning your lawn into a woodland? It's simple.

Go to [arborday.org/lawntowoodland](http://arborday.org/lawntowoodland)  
 or [www.dnr.maryland.gov/forests/](http://www.dnr.maryland.gov/forests/)  
 or call 888-448-7337



Provide your contact information and a forester from the Maryland Forest Service will contact you to discuss a tree planting project on your land.

### *The Maryland Forest Service will:*

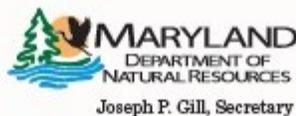
- ✓ Work with you to locate specific planting areas.
- ✓ Help you decide which trees and shrubs to plant.
- ✓ Assemble planting specifications and coordinate with contractors to perform a successful planting.
- ✓ Pay the contractor.
- ✓ Monitor plantings to determine survival rate.
- ✓ Work with the contractor to replant where necessary.

### *Trees For Your Land...at no cost to you.*

The following native trees and shrubs are best suited to meet the objectives of this program. Selection will depend on your preference and specific site conditions such as soil type, topography and existing trees. More than one species will likely be used in your future woodland to provide biodiversity.

Northern Red Oak	Black Oak	Hazelnut
Chestnut Oak	Persimmon	Common Ninebark
White Oak	Redbud	

Seedlings will be produced locally by Ayton Tree Nursery.  
<http://www.dnr.state.md.us/forests/nursery/jsatreenursery.html>



**For more information on the Lawn to Woodland Program, including care tips and benefits, please visit the Maryland DNR website, [www.dnr.state.md.us/forests](http://www.dnr.state.md.us/forests). Or call, 888-448-7337.**

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## Our Mission

The Mission of the Maryland Forests Association is to conserve and enhance forests in Maryland by:

- Increasing awareness of the diverse, public benefits of forests;
- Supporting the sustainable use of forest resources;
- Promoting economic opportunity for forest landowners; and,
- Maintaining a viable local forest products industry.

MFA strives to accomplish this mission by:

- Monitoring and influencing legislation and regulation that affect forests and the forestry community;
- Promoting growth in MFA membership and finances; and,
- Recognizing recipients for outstanding contributions on behalf of Maryland's forest resource.