

You are among the lucky ones who own woodlands! You care about being a good steward of your property. Yet, there is a lot to know about keeping woods healthy, and it can be overwhelming.



While woodland owners share a lot in common, what you want to do on your land is an individual decision, and there is a lot to consider.



If you wonder about the health of your woods and what you can do to ensure your woodland legacy, there are tools and resources available just for you.

Go to www.MyLandPlan.org or contact:



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Wonder about Your Woods?

Four Steps to Healthier Woods

Got Woods?

Go to MyLandPlan.org

1 Ask Yourself: What Do You Want To Do?



Do you own woodlands because you love wildlife? Or you wanted to get away from the frantic pace of urban living? Or maybe you wanted a place to spend time with family and friends in a beautiful natural setting. Whatever the reason, thinking about what you want from your woods is the first step toward knowing what actions you need to take to ensure they stay healthy and productive.



MyLandPlan.org is a resource for woodland owners, by woodland owners. The American Forest Foundation (AFF) developed this website to help you protect and enjoy your woods.

AFF works on behalf of family forest owners around the country who want to ensure their woods stay healthy for all the reasons why we love woods – wildlife, recreation, solitude, a place to enjoy with family and friends.

There are a lot of places to check out on the website to get helpful information, or you might want to start right away with the planning tool to map your land and set your goals for your property. Using the exclusive planning tool you can:



- Map the boundaries of your land
- Add features and special sites like trails, historic sites, and other favorite spots
- Set goals and plan actions to protect and care for your land
- Receive information specially tailored for what you want to do on your land
- Record your actions and experiences in your own personalized forest journal and share them with others if you want

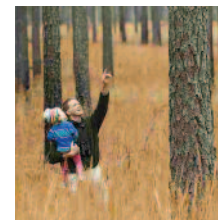
2 Develop Goals

When you know what you want, you can then investigate all the different activities you can do to reach your goals.

The website www.MyLandPlan.org is a place where you can learn about easy steps to take to improve the health of your woodlands, set goals, and track your progress. You can also find a professional forester to help you decide what is best for your woods.

3 Work with a Forester

Once you know what you want, working with a professional forester can help you make the right decisions at the right time to achieve your goals. These experts have extensive training in maintaining healthy woodlands and can help you chart a course for the future of your property.



4 Plan for the Future

It's never too early to plan for the future and ensure that your forest legacy will be protected for the next generation. Whether you are interested in a conservation easement, setting up a family trust, or just sharing your plan for your woods with your family, www.MyLandPlan.org/legacy can help.



MyLandPlan.org and a forester in your region can help you do right by your land. Your woods will thank you for it!