



Congratulations to the winners of our Rockin' Around the Forestry Virtual 5K!

Future FFA Member – Harper Green

FFA Member – Grace Griffin

FFA Supporter, Female – Allie Ellis

FFA Supporter, Male – Ryan Arnett

FFA Legacy, Female – Dawna Ross

FFA Legacy, Male – Philip Baker

Most Participation – East TN FFA Regional Officer Team

**Each winner will receive a trophy and price package assembled from the Division of Forestry.*

Thank you again to all who participated in the event! We hope you'll join us again in 2021.



About the Division of Forestry

Tennessee's forests cover 14 million acres (52 percent) of the state. Our forests provide a number of benefits including beauty, wildlife habitat, timber production, recreation, air and water quality, energy conservation, carbon sequestration, enhanced property values, storm water control and natural heritage. They face significant threats in the form of wildfire, insects and disease, improper management and urban expansion.

The Tennessee Division of Forestry extinguishes more than 2,500 fires that burn each year and helps control the disease and insect pests that plague our forests. Since trees provide energy savings and storm water reduction as well as scenic beauty, the division is also promoting the benefits of urban forestry.

Forestry Industry Quick Facts

- 52% of Tennessee is covered in forest.
- Of the 14 million acres of Tennessee forest, 83,4% is privately owned, 10% is federally owned and 6.6% is state/locally owned.
- Oak-hickory dominate forested TN acres at 9.9 million.
- Tennessee is one of the top 3 hardwood lumber-producing states in the U.S.
- More than 120 tree species exist in Tennessee.
- Forestry accounts for 3.5% of the state's economy.
- Forestry employs more than 98,000 Tennesseans.
- Forestry generated \$24.3 billion in outputs.
- In 2017, exports of Tennessee forest products, furniture and related products outside the U.S. totaled \$343.7 million.
- In order to help prevent the spread of invasive insect or disease, firewood should be obtained near the location you intend to burn it.

Questions about the Tennessee Division of Forestry of the forestry industry? Learn more at <https://www.tn.gov/agriculture/forests.html>