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## **Landowner Outreach – Resolute Southern U.S. Mills**

In an effort to encourage and broaden the practice of sustainable forestry by forest landowners in the southern United States, Resolute is committed to providing information to landowners regarding relevant and important topics such as reforestation following harvest; the use of best management practices; identification and protection of important habitat elements for wildlife and biodiversity, including forests with exceptional conservation value; and the use of qualified or certified logging and resource professionals.

The following links are provided to assist forest landowners, in describing the importance of and providing implementation guidance on:

- a. best management practices
- b. reforestation and afforestation
- c. visual quality management
- d. conservation objectives, such as critical wildlife habitat elements, biodiversity, threatened and endangered species, and Forests with Exceptional Conservation Value
- e. management of harvest residue (e.g. slash, limbs, tops) which considers economic, social, environmental factors (e.g. organic and nutrient value to future forests) and other utilization needs
- f. control of invasive exotic plants and animals
- g. characteristics of special sites
- h. reduction of wildfire risk and
- i. the use of qualified logging professionals, certified logging professionals (where available), and qualified resource professionals

### State Forestry Associations or SFI Committees (Look for “Landowner Information” or “SFI”)

Tennessee Forestry Association - <http://www.tnforestry.com/home.cfm>

North Carolina Forestry Association – <http://www.ncforestry.org/>

Georgia Forestry Association – <http://www.gfagrow.org/>

Georgia SFI Implementation Committee - <http://sfi-georgia.org/for-landowners/sfi-for-landowners/>

Alabama Forestry Association – <http://www.alaforestry.org/>

Mississippi Forestry Association – <http://msforestry.net/>

### State Forestry Agencies

Tennessee Division of Forestry - <https://www.tn.gov/agriculture/forests.html>

North Carolina Division of Forest Resources – <http://www.ncforestservice.gov/>

Georgia Forestry Commission – <https://gatrees.org/>

Alabama Forestry Commission – <http://www.forestry.state.al.us/>

Mississippi Forestry Commission – <http://www.mfc.ms.gov/>

Southern Group of State Foresters - <http://www.southernforests.org/>

Southern Regional Extension Forestry - <http://sref.info/>

Southern Reg. Ext. Forestry – Cohesive Fire Strategy - <http://www.southernwildfire.net/>

American Tree Farm System (ATFS)

American Tree Farm System - <http://www.treefarmssystem.org/>

American Forest Foundation - <http://www.affoundation.org/>

Resolute very much encourages non-industrial or family forest landowners to participate in forest management certification programs designed for them, such as ATFS.

U.S. Agencies or Other – For information on rare, threatened, or endangered species

Fish & Wildlife Service

- Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) – Southeast Region - <http://www.fws.gov/southeast/>
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Home - <http://www.fws.gov/>
- U.S.FWS Environmental Conservation Online System (ECOS) - <http://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/>

USDA Plants Database - <http://www.plants.usda.gov/>

NatureServe - <http://www.natureserve.org/>

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## **Resolute FP US Inc. Additional Landowner Information**

### **Resolute FP US Inc. Policy Regarding Procurement of Pine Plantation Wood in Southeast U.S.**

Resolute FP US Inc. will not purchase pine fiber from pine plantations established on former natural forest sites converted after 2007. This means for any natural forest site that is harvested after 2007 and converted to a pine plantation, Resolute FP US Inc. will not purchase the pine fiber that is produced from that plantation. The company's purchases of pine fiber originating from all other pine plantations (including pine produced from formerly natural forest sites converted to pine plantation *prior* to the end of 2007) are not impacted, and Resolute FP US Inc. encourages landowners to continue to manage pine plantations in an environmentally sound and sustainable manner.

### **Forests of Exceptional Ecological, Geological, Historical, or Cultural Significance**

Landowners are encouraged to identify and manage their lands that are ecologically, geologically, historically, or culturally important in a manner that recognizes their special qualities and unique features and to expand protection of these areas. State natural heritage programs or natural resource agencies are good sources of information for the locations of sites that have been identified and the appropriate management measures to protect them. These sources often reference NatureServe (see link above) processes or their equivalent to identify and protect species and natural communities that are considered imperiled or critically imperiled.

### **Maintenance of Natural Forests**

Landowners should be aware that many benefits are derived from the maintenance of forests in a natural condition. Information about the management and maintenance of forests in a natural condition can be found in many of the sources given above.

### **Pine Plantation Management on Land Formerly in Agricultural Production**

Landowners with idle pasture and marginal cropland are encouraged to consider planting trees on these lands as a way to tap their full economic potential. Many of the sources given above provide information about afforestation of such lands.