

Top 10 Things New Forest Landowners Need to Know (According to Jennifer)

1. Ownership Goals

Why do you own your property?

How do you want your property to look in the future?

2. Future of Your Property

Estate Planning for Forest Landowners publication

Preparing for Generation NEXT – Fredericksburg August 13 & 20

3. Virginia Department of Forestry Forester/District Forestry Extension Agent

Virginia Department of Forestry (www.dof.virginia.gov)

Virginia Forest Landowner Education Program (<http://forestupdate.frec.vt.edu>)

4. Educational Opportunities

Virginia Forest Landowner Education Program

5. Boundary Lines

On-line Woodland Options for Landowners Short Course (Spring 2014)

Maintaining Forest Property Boundaries

(<http://www.ces.ncsu.edu/forestry/pdf/WON/won35.pdf>)

6. Neighbors/Other Forest Landowners

Use county tax maps to find out who they are

7. Names of Common Trees

VDOF Tree ID Book

VT Dendro Website/Smart Phone App

(<http://dendro.cnre.vt.edu/dendrology/main.htm>)

8. Common Invasive Species (plants, diseases, wildlife and insects)

Bugwood Network (www.bugwood.org)

Non-native Invasive Plants of Southern Forests Publication/Smart Phone Apps

(<http://apps.bugwood.org/>)

9. Location of Special Sites/Sensitive Areas

Topo maps: Google Earth (<http://www.google.com/earth/index.html>),

US Geological Survey (<http://www.usgs.gov/>)

Natural Heritage Program

(http://www.dcr.virginia.gov/natural_heritage/index.shtml)

10. How to Minimize Negative Human-Wildlife Interactions

Center for Human-Wildlife Conflict Resolution (<http://humanwildlife.cmi.vt.edu/>)

Virginia Department of Game & Inland Fisheries

(<http://www.dgif.virginia.gov/wildlifewatching/human-wildlife.asp>)