

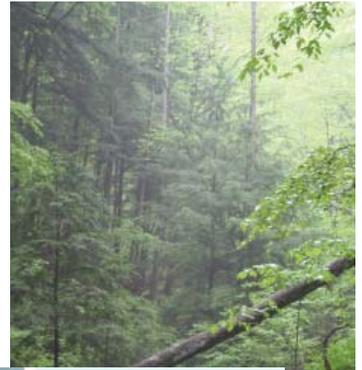


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Center for Forest & Wood Certification

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The Center for Forest and Wood Certification (Center) is a partnership venture designed to provide solutions for forest and wood certification. The Center is designed to build certification capacity allowing the private sector to participate and manage their certification efforts. The Center is governed by managing partners including forest industry, forestry consultants, university and non-profits and is supported by membership fees and contributions from partners including local, regional, national/international corporations, NGO's, and governmental organizations interested in promoting forest and wood certification.



Program Areas

Forest Management - The Center provides assistance with forest management including group FSC and ATFS IMG certificates for all ownerships; family, industry, and public. The Center's Forest Management (FM) Program is strategically designed to assist forest owners with certification of their forests and help in developing sources of income associated with certification. Income includes revenue from certified wood and fiber sales and the ability to maintain a working forest and participate in conservation easements and other sources of similar funding.

Foresters - To aid in forest certification the Center trains and uses consulting and industry foresters, recognized as Cooperating Foresters, to assist with forest certification.

Forest Industry and Logging – Both primary and secondary forest industries and independent logging firms fall within the programmatic efforts of the Center. This includes help in developing individual Chain-of-Custody (CoC) certificates for large industries and group SFI and FSC CoC certificates for forest industries and loggers. The Center also can assist industries in developing sources of certified timber and fiber within their procurement zones. The Center and the University of Kentucky manages a Rainforest Alliance SmartLogging program with loggers that have FSC CoC certificates that can assist with CoC tracking requirements.

Membership

Any forest industry, logger, consulting forester or forest owner that would like assistance with certification is encouraged to contact the Center. The following are current statistics regarding involvement for the summer of 2012.

Cooperating Foresters - 30 industry and consulting foresters from five states have been trained and are able to manage certified forests in association with the Center.

Forest Industry - The Center currently has 65 firms that hold an FSC and SFI chain-of-custody certification through the Center.

Loggers - The Certified Master Logger Program is growing with over 45 loggers holding a SmartLogging Certificate and can cut and haul FSC and ATFS timber and pulpwood.

Forest Owners - The Center has the first family owned FSC certified land in Kentucky and is growing its American Tree Farm and FSC membership. The Center is scoping a wide range of forest acreage and ownership including forests owned by industries, TIMO's and small private woodland owners.

Endorsments, Support, Partners

Sustaining and Supporting Partners (funding 2012) Time Inc., NewPage Corp., Domtar Corp., Central Appalachian Forestry Alliance, KY SFI, Univ. of KY, KDF, Boise Inc.

Endorsements TNC, SFI (TN-KY), NWOA, KACF, KWOA, KFIA, TN SIC

Partnerships See the Centers website for Forest Industry, Logger and Forest Owner members.

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