## WHO CAN HELP?

# **Landowner Technical Assistance in the Onslow Bight**

A wide range of technical assistance is available to landowners to help with forest management. The first step is to have a resource professional visit your property and write a plan based on your objectives.

#### North Carolina Forest Service

The **County Ranger** is the key contact for services the NC Forest Service offers. NC Forest Service Foresters and Rangers can prepare a woodland plan tailored to your management goals. Information about fees, if applicable, for the preparation of woodland plans are available at www.ncforestservice.gov.

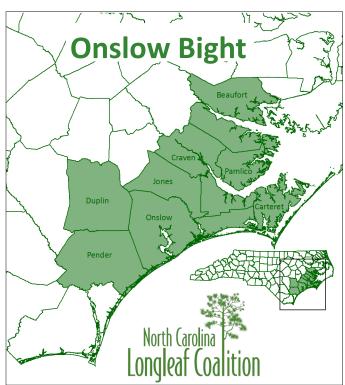
There are no fees associated with verbal forest management assistance for insect infestations, disease, and water quality concerns.

County	Phone	E-mail
Beaufort	252-946-3944	beaufort.ncfs@ncagr.gov
Carteret	252-728-3793	carteret.ncfs@ncagr.gov
Craven	252-244-0295	craven.ncfs@ncagr.gov
Duplin	910-289-2735	duplin.ncfs@ncagr.gov
Jones	252-448-5531	jones.ncfs@ncagr.gov
Onslow	910-324-3633	onslow.ncfs@ncagr.gov
Pamlico	252-745-3775	pamlico.ncfs@ncagr.gov
Pender	910-259-7251	pender.ncfs@ncagr.gov

#### <u>Prescribed Burn Resources</u>

NC Forest Service offers prescribed fire services, including site preparation burning, in-stand burning, and fireline construction. Rates are based on acreage and equipment use. Contact your County Ranger for more information.

For a list of private service providers, including **prescribed burning contractors**, that can help landowners, please visit: www.ncforestservice.gov/Managing\_your\_forest/contract\_services.htm



### NC Wildlife Resources Commission

#### Forest Stewardship Technical

Assistance Biologists assist landowners interested in managing their forest land for multi-use resources, including timber, wildlife, soil and water quality, recreation, and aesthetics.

The **Safe Harbor Program** is a landowner incentive program that benefits red-cockaded woodpeckers through voluntary habitat improvements. It provides regulatory assurance that no additional land restrictions will be imposed as a result of management actions.

Deanna Noble 252-526-1081 deanna.noble@ncwildlife.org

John Carpenter 910-742-7231 john.carpenter@ncwildlife.org

#### US Fish and Wildlife Service

The **Partners for Fish and Wildlife Program** provides technical and financial assistance to restore habitat for the benefit of migratory birds and rare species. <a href="www.fws.gov/partners">www.fws.gov/partners</a>

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#### **US** Department of Agriculture

The Farm Service Agency (FSA) and Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS) provide a variety of cost-share assistance programs for longleaf pine establishment and management.

County	FSA Service Center	NRCS Office
Beaufort	252-946-1076 X 2	252-946-4989
Carteret	252-637-3567 X 2	252-222-6360
Craven	252-637-3567 X 2	252-637-2547 X 3
Duplin	910-296-2193 X 2	910-259-2120 X 3
Jones	910-455-4164 X 2	252-448-2341
Onslow	910-455-4164 X 2	910-455-4472 X 3
Pamlico	252-745-5064 X 2	252-745-4303
Pender	910-259-9123 X 2	910-259-9123 X 3

#### National Wild Turkey Federation

The **National Wild Turkey Federation** offers programs to help manage wildlife habitat on your woodland and specifically works with USDA Farm Bill Programs in the Cape Fear Arch region.

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#### **Quail Forever**

**Quail Forever** works with landowners for anything conservation and wildlife-related, assisting with developing and funding habitat improvement through **Farm Bill Programs** offered by **NRCS** and **FSA**.

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#### **NC Cooperative Extension Forestry**

NC Cooperative Extension offers research based information and technical assistance to landowners on a wide range of natural resource management topics. The **Forestry Area Specialized Agent** (ASA) provides assistance to landowners concerning longleaf management, pine straw production, marketing, and forest health. <u>forestry.ces.ncsu.edu</u>

Colby Lambert 919-814-6041 colby lambert@ncsu.edu

#### **Consulting Foresters**

Consulting foresters provide services on a fee or contractual basis. While the NC Forest Service and other public agencies can provide some free advice and assistance for managing your forestland, there are limitations. If you wish to know the value of your timber or how much timber volume you have, a public agency staff person cannot provide this service. Forest owners are encouraged to obtain the services of a Consulting Forester.

A **list of Consulting Foresters** who conduct business in North Carolina is maintained on by the N.C. Forest Service at: www.ncforestservice.gov/managing your forest/consulting foresters.htm

### Online Resources:

Onslow Bight
Conservation Forum
www.longleafalliance.org/ncobcf

North Carolina Longleaf Coalition www.nclongleaf.org

The Longleaf Alliance www.longleafalliance.org

NC Forest Service Claridge Nursery www.buynctrees.com 1-888-NCTREES (628-7337)

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