



CHANCELLOR'S CENTURY COUNCIL 2025

Wes Moorehead, Deputy Agency Director

OUR MISSION

Texas A&M Forest Service provides statewide leadership and technical assistance to ensure trees, forests, and related natural resources are sustained for the benefit of all. The agency supports the state's incident response capability, protecting against wildfire and responding to a range of all-hazard incidents.



**FORESTS
& NATURAL
RESOURCES**



**LIVES,
PROPERTY
& NATURAL
RESOURCES**



**THROUGH
SERVICE &
PARTNERSHIPS**



WHO WE ARE

520/350

**AGENCY
EMPLOYEES**

59/38

**OFFICE
LOCATIONS**

11/2

**LOCATIONS
TO STAGE
FIREFIGHTING
AIRCRAFT**



OUR IMPACT 2024: FORESTRY & CONSERVATION

- Work includes recovery and restoration following natural disasters, forest health monitoring, land management planning, technical assistance to landowners, and conservation education.
- **\$16.9 million** to landowners, communities
- **15.9 million acres forestland** surveyed
- **2,511 forest management plans**
- **52,881 people** educated



OUR IMPACT 2024: WILDFIRE RESPONSE

- State and local firefighters responded to **4,989 wildfires** for **1,299,663 acres**. Of that total, Texas A&M Forest Service responded to **595 wildfires** for **1,283,019 acres**.
- **43 All-Hazard Incident Management Team members** responded to incidents.
- In coordination with the Texas Division of Emergency Management, we mobilized **1,518 personnel, 345 engines** from TIFMAS - the Texas Interagency Fire Mutual Aid System



OUR IMPACT 2024: **ALL-HAZARD RESPONSE**

Incidents include severe weather, winter weather, and Hurricane Beryl

In addition to agency personnel, resources mobilized to support response:

- **Texas A&M Forest Service**
 - 316 personnel
- **Texas Intrastate Fire Mutual Aid System**
 - 862 personnel, 117 engines
- **All-hazard Incident Management Teams**
 - 32 personnel

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OUR IMPACT 2024: **LAW ENFORCEMENT**

- Law Enforcement Investigators responded to **151 wildfire investigations** and **71 timber theft complaints**.
- They **recovered \$53,000** owed to Texas forest landowners from timber harvesting operations.



OUR IMPACT 2024: LOCAL FIREFIGHTING RURAL VFD ASSISTANCE PROGRAM 2002 - 2024

- 2,185 Truck Grants
- 10,909 Equipment Grants
- 31,638 Tuition Grants
- 1,944 Training Aids
- 104,014 Trainees
- **\$359,783,084 total**



OUR IMPACT: RECOVERY

Panhandle Post-Fire Recovery

Seedling distribution points

- Feb 13, Canadian
- Mar 12, Canadian and Pampa
- Mar 13, Fritch and Borger
- April, dates and locations TBD





89TH TEXAS LEGISLATIVE SESSION **EXCEPTIONAL ITEM REQUESTS**

\$29.95M

Keeping Texas Prepared -
State Firefighting Capacity



\$44M

Rural Volunteer Fire Department
Assistance Program

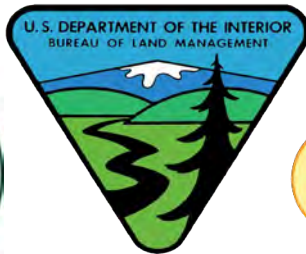


\$369.1M


Wildfire Suppression Aircraft -
Operations & Additional Contracts



OUR PARTNERS





WE ARE  **TEXAS A&M**
FOREST SERVICE



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QUESTIONS & COMMENTS:



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