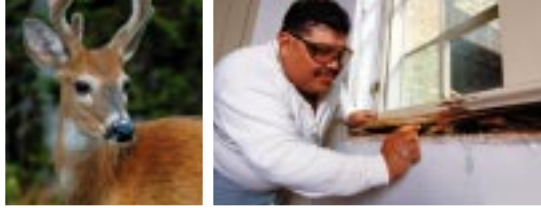


## SAF Embraces the Entire Forestry Profession



SAF members work in a variety of positions and organizations:

- Ecosystem restoration specialists
- Urban foresters
- Forest engineers
- Geneticists
- Congressional staff and policy advisors
- Wildlife managers
- Educators
- Lawyers
- CEOs and executive managers
- Conservation leaders
- Consultants
- Retailers – forest products and technology
- Timber investment management organization and real-estate investment trust managers
- Data collection and management / GIS specialists
- Wildland recreation managers
- Watershed hydrologists
- Forest products and utilization specialists
- Fire management specialists
- Range managers
- Resource managers
- Field forestry

## Testimonials

### State Forestry

When I graduated four years ago, I knew I needed much more than book knowledge to advance my career and make a lasting impact on Colorado's forests. I became active in my local SAF chapter and met people who were experienced, knowledgeable, and willing to mentor me. I am up-to-date on regional issues, the latest forestry practices, and on national forest policy. I've also made connections in SAF that help in day-to-day management projects. I feel that my involvement in SAF has greatly accelerated my career.

**Denise White**

*Stewardship Forester*

*Colorado State Forest Service*

### Natural Resource Conservation – NGO

SAF is a critical, unbiased, and well-respected voice on sustainable forest policy decision making in the nation's capital and at the local level. SAF is the only organization that represents the entire forestry profession at the local, state, national, and international levels. SAF leads the forestry and natural resource community in policy efforts, building coalitions, and bringing together key partners.

**Dylan H. Jenkins, CF**

*Director of Forest Conservation*

*The Nature Conservancy, Pennsylvania*

### Urban Forestry Educator

As an urban forestry educator I need timely, science-based information. I am interested in all aspects of forestry and forest resources and only SAF covers them all. Being an active member helps me expand and diversify my professional network and keeps me current on world forest resource issues.

**Robert M. Ricard, CF**

*Senior Extension Educator*

*University of Connecticut Cooperative Extension System*

### Consulting Forester

*The Forestry Source* and *The E-Forester* are two great sources of information about developments in SAF, forestry business, forest policy, and forest practices. I enjoy reading both publications. Most important for me is the Society's leadership in promoting and facilitating continuing professional education and in recognizing those professionals who are committed to continued education. One other key benefit that SAF provides is excellent, competitively priced disability insurance.

**Michael R. Wetzel, CF**

*Consulting Forester*

*Richardson, Bell, McLeod & Wetzel*

### Forest Supervisor

SAF provides me with tools to be a better forester, a better land steward, and a better Forest Supervisor. What is incredible to me is the personal side of SAF and its leadership. The leaders that know your name and listen to your ideas are the same leaders that testify to Congress. They stay in front of the issues and stand behind their members.

**Craig Bobzien, CF**

*Forest Supervisor*

*Black Hills National Forest*

# Mission of the Society of American Foresters

- Advance the science, education, technology, and practice of forestry
- Enhance the competency of our members
- Establish professional excellence
- Ensure the continued health and use of forest ecosystems
- Ensure the present and future availability of forest resources to benefit society

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# Society of American Foresters

## Serving the Needs of Forestry Professionals



The Society of American Foresters (SAF) understands that forestry and natural resource professionals face unique challenges on many levels. That's why we strive to create the best information, services, and resources that meet the needs of today's busy forestry professionals.

With more than 15,000 members, SAF is the largest non-profit forestry association in the world.

Join SAF and give yourself a competitive edge.

### Member Benefits

#### The Forestry Source

Our monthly newspaper features the latest in natural resources, events, jobs, forest policy, innovations in forestry-related science and technology, and the popular "How To" department.

#### The E-Forester

Our twice-monthly e-newsletter provides concise, relevant information on forest news, sustainability and certification, scientific discoveries, forest resources, SAF news and opportunities, and more.

#### Certification

Certification is a mark of distinction that shows your commitment to high standards of practice and to continuing education. When you earn your Certified Forester®, Certified Forester® / Certified Forest Auditor, or your Candidate Certified Forester® credential, your commitment and competency stands out. SAF's directory of Certified Foresters is a great resource for landowners and employers who need access to qualified experts.

#### Local Units

Our more than 250 local units – state societies, divisions, and chapters – provide a great way to network with other professionals and receive hands-on training through projects, demonstrations, and workshops. Local involvement allows you to learn about job opportunities, gain leadership experience, and learn more about forest management in forests where you work. SAF has 70 student chapters at college and university campuses across the US.

#### Professional Journals

SAF publishes groundbreaking science through five respected, peer-reviewed journals. The *Journal of Forestry* is the most widely read forestry journal in the world. The *Journal* features scientific analysis and perspectives on issues facing our forests and the people who manage them, including silviculture, urban and community forestry, wildlife management, geospatial technologies, entomology and pathology, international forestry, policy, and more. The *Northern*, *Southern*, and *Western Journals of Applied Forestry* are valuable sources of current information on applied forestry in the US and Canada. *Forest Science*, our internationally renowned forestry research journal, ranks among the highest for professional impact and cutting-edge content. It offers research on silviculture, soils, biometry, disease, recreation, tree physiology, and much more.

#### Searchable, Online Resources

The Roots of Forestry™, SAF's online, searchable archive, features more than 11,700 articles from all five professional journals from 1902 through 1999. This archive provides instant access to credible, peer-reviewed science and technical information on topics like ecology, silviculture, entomology, fire, wildlife, soils, hydrology, policy, urban forestry, and more.

#### National Convention

SAF's National Convention is the premier forestry management event of the year, attracting forestry and natural resource professionals, and students from around the world. The convention offers education and networking through more than 150 technical and scientific sessions, business-sponsored technology sessions, a job fair, and exhibitors from top forestry-related businesses. The convention also features interest-based roundtables and a variety of learning and networking-based socials, as well as the popular student quiz bowl.

#### Continuing Forestry Education

SAF maintains the largest calendar of forestry and natural resource meetings and seminars in the nation. This calendar is updated daily and highlights opportunities to earn Continuing Forestry Education (CFE) credits. SAF's online CFE management system allows professionals to track continuing education to maintain their credential within the Certified Forester® program, and other required state licenses.

#### Professional Development

In addition to our publications, policy updates, books, mentoring, and e-newsletters, SAF hosts the Leadership Academy which offers training in communications, managing teams, and leading organizations. Successful completion of an online quiz on *Journal of Forestry* articles offers CFE credits. Local units also provide a host of professional development and training opportunities. SAF produces Convention Proceedings on CD from the technical and scientific sessions held at our national convention.

#### Online Networking

Our Professional Resource Groups (PRG) offer online forums helping our members connect with members of like interests and professions. Use these PRGs to ask technical or general questions of colleagues and share best practices and expertise.

#### Working Groups

Working Groups are a great way to get more involved around your specific interests. Participants help develop educational programs for SAF's National Convention, host regional meetings and workshops, and address current issues.

#### Member Discounts

SAF has partnered with several service providers, bringing our members valuable discounts in life and disability insurance, automobile insurance, tree marking paint, student loan consolidation programs, rental cars, and discounts on GIS software and education.

#### Outreach to Congress

SAF works with Congress and state and federal agencies on forestry and natural resource issues helping to create policies that enable sound forest and natural resource management. Members receive our weekly Policy Update highlighting natural resource legislation, hearings, and emerging environmental policies. Our members participate in grassroots campaigns, write letters to Congress, and serve as witnesses at Congressional hearings.

#### Media Outreach

SAF works with local, regional, and national media to provide timely and accurate information on natural resource issues.

#### Leadership Opportunities

Local units provide a wide variety of leadership opportunities. SAF also has more than 14 national committees that enable members to broaden their influence, gain valuable leadership experience, and expand their network.

#### Membership Directories

SAF's directory of members allows you to connect with professionals around the world.

#### Mentoring

Finding a mentor can be a critical step in developing and advancing your career. SAF offers avenues for professionals and students to connect with mentors both online and locally.

#### Career Opportunities

Our online Career Center offers job advertisements, resources to build a résumé, and interviewing tips. *The Forestry Source*, our leading forestry newspaper, posts the latest employment opportunities. In addition, SAF hosts a Job Fair at the National Convention featuring as many as 20 participating employers.

#### Books

SAF publishes numerous forestry-related books, such as *The Dictionary of Forestry*, *Forest Certification Auditing*, and the *Certified Forester® Examination Study Guide*.

#### Accreditation

SAF accredits a variety of forestry programs at 50 colleges and universities. By promoting continuous improvement in education, accreditation helps ensure that forest resource management decisions are made with the latest information and advice of qualified forestry professionals.