

# County of Dinwiddie

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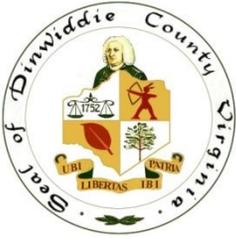
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Thank you for your interest in Forest Management through Dinwiddie's Land Use Taxation Plan. The requirement does not state that the plan has to be written by the Department of Forestry, only approved by the Department. Please contact the Department of Forestry in order to determine if the following template is appropriate for you to write your own management plan. Landowners that elect to write their own plan are required to submit the plan to the Virginia Department of Forestry for approval at the following address.

Virginia Department of Forestry  
13209 Courthouse Road  
Dinwiddie, VA 23841  
Phone: 804.469.7343  
Fax: 804.469.4221

The Department of Forestry will notify the Office of the Commissioner of the Revenue that you have a plan on file. *Additional qualifying conditions and paperwork is required to be filed with the Commissioner of the Revenue to finalize your enrollment in the Land Use Taxation Program.* If you have questions about your next step with the county, please contact Pam Wilson at the office of the Commissioner of the Revenue at 804-469-4500, option 4.

If you do not wish to write this yourself, you may request that the Department of Forestry write the plan for you (at a cost of \$200/plan) or you may hire a Consulting Forester to write a plan for you. The Department of Forestry can supply you with a list of Consulting Foresters working in this area.



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**Dinwiddie County Land Use Taxation**  
**Forest Management Plan**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

-Landowner Names and Addresses: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

-Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

-Location of property: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

-Tax map #: \_\_\_\_\_

-Total acreage of Property: \_\_\_\_\_ -Acreage in Timberland: \_\_\_\_\_

-Goals for the property: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**-Any recent management activity:** (within the past 2 years) \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**-Estimation of main timber stand:**

Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Size: \_\_\_\_\_

Species: \_\_\_\_\_

Health: \_\_\_\_\_

Possible management projects (clearcut, thin, allow to grow, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Other discussion: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**-Estimation of second timber stand (if applicable):**

Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Size: \_\_\_\_\_

Species: \_\_\_\_\_

Health: \_\_\_\_\_

Possible management projects (clearcut, thin, allow to grow, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Other information: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**-Other stands:** Please attach additional information as needed

**-Special features:** (graveyards, historic sites, sentimental spots, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**-Financial Information:**

Many agencies provide programs (either technical assistance and/or cost-share) for the management of timberland. Keeping in contact with the VA Department of Forestry (DOF) is the easiest way to know which programs may suit your needs.

There may be some additional tax benefits of your management that you were not aware of. The U.S. Forest Service puts a publication out annually and published in late October. Feel free to check with your local DOF office to obtain a copy of the publication or can found on their website: <http://www.fs.fed.us/spf/coop/programs/loa/tax.shtml>

**-Fire prevention/suppression:**

Protection of your property from wildfire is essential. Wildfire rapidly destroys valuable timber, wildlife, and property. From February 15<sup>th</sup> through April 30<sup>th</sup>, open air fires are not permitted within 300 feet of woodland, brushland, or field containing dry grass or other flammable material between midnight and 4:00p.m by State Law. Local ordinance may vary by time of year and current conditions. Please check with your local fire department for more information. In case of fire, contact your local fire dispatch by dialing 911.

**-Map:**

Please attach a map of the property if available.

# Timeline

Year	Stand	Practice to be accomplished
Example		
2013	<i>Pine</i>	<i>Evaluate for thinning needs, thin if needed</i>
Your Property		
Long range		

**-Yearly management steps to be taken:**

Maintain tract boundaries. \_\_\_\_\_

Monitor timber for any insect, disease, or other health problems. \_\_\_\_\_

Maintain enrollment in Dinwiddie County Land Use Taxation Program. \_\_\_\_\_

Discuss tax tips publication with your tax preparer. \_\_\_\_\_

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