

Unified Regulatory Plan of the Virginia Department of Forestry for State Fiscal Year 2024
June 30, 2023

Action/Stage or Guidance Document Forum ID (if available) Retain as Is (Review 2355)		
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document Virginia State Forests Regulations		
Brief Overview All Virginia State Forests Regulations shall be effective within and upon all state forests, roads, sites, ponds, lakes, streams, rivers, beaches, food patches, and recreational areas in the Commonwealth which may be under the jurisdiction of the department and shall regulate the use thereof by all persons. Areas designated by the department as state forests are: Appomattox-Buckingham in Appomattox and Buckingham Counties; Bourassa in Bedford County; Browne in Essex and King and Queen Counties; Chilton Woods in Lancaster County; Conway-Robinson in Prince William County; Crawfords in New Kent County; Cumberland in Cumberland County; Devil's Backbone in Shenandoah County; Hawks in Carroll County; Lesesne in Nelson County; Mathews in Grayson County; Niday Place in Craig County; Paul in Rockingham County; Prince Edward-Gallion in Prince Edward County; Sandy Point in King William County; Whitney in Fauquier County; and Zoar in King William County together with such other areas as the department may from time to time designate.		
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Final	<input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action	<input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute	
Deregulatory Component	DOF plans to reduce requirements that are no longer relevant to state forests during FY24. DOF also plans to add items such as drones and e-bike regulatory requirements, overall these regulations will be reduced even with the added items.	

Expected Date	Periodic Review Report of Findings Submitted 3/31/23, ORM Economic Review Form – submission date of 7/5/23, pending ORM and OAG Review (submitted to OAG on 1/18/23)
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6165	
Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document	
Reforestation of Timberlands (RT)	
Brief Overview The Virginia Reforestation of Timberlands program is a statewide program managed by the Virginia Department of Forestry that provides cost-share assistance to landowners for pine reforestation. The program is funded by the forest industry with matching funds from the Commonwealth of Virginia's General Fund.	
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Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	This guidance document will be eliminated to reduce duplication of efforts, this document is duplicative of § 10.1-1170.
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Seed tree law and alternate management plans	
Brief Overview Information related to selection of seed trees, implementation of Virginia's seed tree law, and alternate reforestation management plans.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Final <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency or Emergency/NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Revised Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Review Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Action <input type="checkbox"/> Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Action required by state statute <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action
Deregulatory Component	This guidance document will be eliminated to reduce duplication of efforts, this document is duplicative of § 10.1-1162.
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