

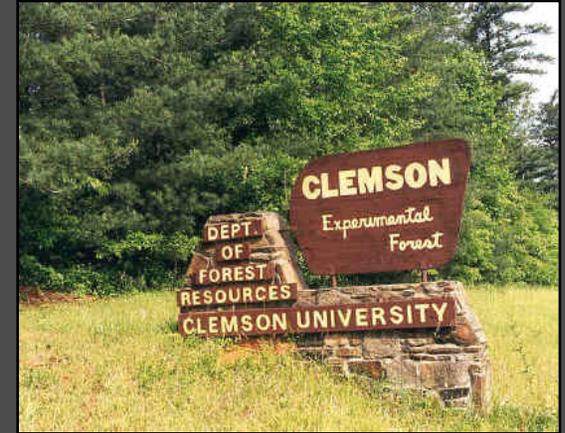
The Clemson University SFI Cooperative Project

**WILDLIFE HABITAT
IMPROVEMENT PRACTICES
FOR LANDOWNERS**

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Project Overview



- March 2010 – June 2013
- Demonstrate and investigate wildlife habitat improvement practices in managed forests
- Conducted on CU Experimental Forest
- 8 major demonstration components
- Strong outreach and educational focus
 - Landowners, natural resource professionals, students, and the public

Project Partners

- ◉ Clemson University
- ◉ Sustainable Forestry Initiative, Inc.
- ◉ Upstate Forever
- ◉ Nemours Wildlife Foundation
- ◉ Quality Deer Management Association
- ◉ National Wild Turkey Federation
- ◉ South Carolina Department of Natural Resources



Project Highlights

- ◎ 25 demonstration/research sites
- ◎ Strong outreach component
 - Landowners and Natural Resource Professionals
 - 4 webinars, 2 workshops, website, Ipod virtual field tour
 - Public
 - 2 media days
- ◎ Strong educational component
 - CU student engagement in project



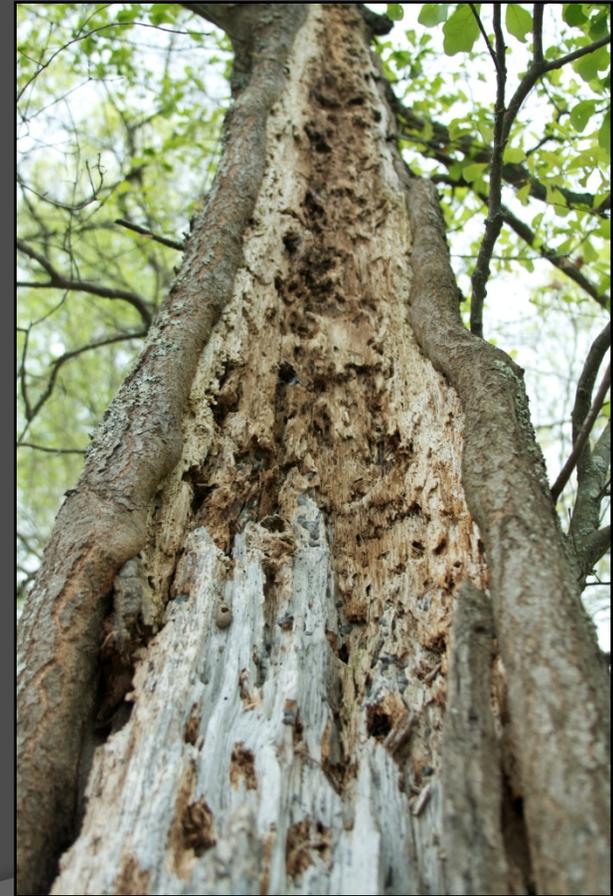
Major Project Components

- Vertical diversity and structure



Major Project Components

- Snag recruitment and down woody material



Major Project Components

- Native tree and plant communities



Major Project Components

- Mast production for wildlife



Major Project Components

- Aquatic and riparian conservation



Major Project Components

- Rare species and communities



Major Project Components

- Special sites



Major Project Components

- Landscape considerations



Project Impacts

- Informed natural resource managers and landowners
- Enriches students' education experience
- Public awareness and support
- Improves conservation of wildlife and biodiversity in managed forests
- For more information visit the project website (www.clemson.edu/public/whip/)



Thank You!

