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The Big Thicket-Neches River Corridor project in Texas will conserve 39,762 acres of working forests, protecting important and rare habitats such as this cypress-tupelo swamp. (Courtesy photo by David Bezanson, The Nature Conservancy)

In 2024, the Forest Service is investing nearly \$544 million in 63 projects that will conserve more than 608 thousand acres of private forestlands across the United States, ensuring these special places will remain for the communities that rely on them.

States, local partners, and tribes have helped to identify forests that provide outstanding benefits to the public. These forests will be conserved through conservation easements and land acquisitions.

These forests are vital to the fabric of local communities and economies. The investments will ensure that these forestlands will remain working forests while advancing the most critical conservation issues, like protecting watersheds, reducing the risk of catastrophic wildfires, and conserving habitat for at-risk species.

Forest Legacy was established by Congress and is administered by the Forest Service. Forest Legacy receives funding through the Land and Water Conservation Fund (<u>LWCF</u>) and the Inflation Reduction Act (<u>IRA</u>).

News Release

- **December:** <u>USDA announces nearly \$335M in grants to support private forestland management and conservation as part of President Biden's Investing in America Agenda</u>
- October: <u>USDA Forest Service partners with states to conserve private forestlands as part of Investing in America agenda</u>
- May: <u>USDA Partners with States to Conserve 168,000 Acres of Private Forestlands as part of Investing in America agenda</u>

Funded Proposals by State

ALABAMA	+
AMERICAN SAMOA	+
ARIZONA	+
CALIFORNIA	+
GEORGIA	+
HAWAII	+
IDAHO	+
IOWA	+
MAINE	+
MASSACHUSETTS	+
MICHIGAN	+
MONTANA	+

NEW HAMPSHIRE	+
NEW MEXICO	+
NORTH CAROLINA	+
OHIO	+
OREGON	+
RHODE ISLAND	+
SOUTH CAROLINA	+
TENNESSEE	+
TEXAS	+
UTAH	+
VERMONT	+
VIRGINIA	+
WASHINGTON	+
WISCONSIN	+

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