



USDA Forest Service-Savannah River Fast Facts

- Nationally, the USDA Forest Service is an agency that conserves National Forests and Grasslands for multiple uses. This means that we manage and sustain these areas for the benefit of everyone, including but not limited to: harvesting trees for wood products, restoring rivers and aquatic areas, managing habitats to protect sensitive animals and plants, conserving protected areas, providing recreation and research.
- The USDA Forest Service-Savannah River manages approximately 170,000 acres of natural resources on the Savannah River Site under the terms of the Interagency Agreement DE-AI09-00SR22188 in support of the missions of the Department of Energy.
- With more than 70 employees, our diverse staff works in one of the following areas: Engineering and Environmental Services; Fire Management and Fleet; Natural Resources; Operations; Public Affairs; Research; and Safety.

The USDA Forest Service-Savannah River:

- Helps control nuisance animal populations on the Savannah River Site. Since 2005, approximately 7,700 feral hogs have been removed from Savannah River Site.
- Manages 65,000 acres for Red-cockaded Woodpecker (RCW) habitat. The RCW population stands approximately at 330, starting with four birds in 1986.
- Completes over 20,000 acres of prescribed fire annually. Prescribed fire helps reduce hazardous fuel amounts, manages habitats of threatened and endangered species and restores native environments for trees such as the longleaf pine.
- Maintains Savannah River Site's secondary roads, boundary, and wellness trails.
- Conducts applied research through partnership arrangements with hundreds of faculty, graduate students, federal scientists, technicians and volunteers. Partnerships and collaborations have facilitated science leadership in numerous areas of research.
- Partners with the Department of Energy, SRS contractors and national conservation programs to host the annual Wounded Warrior/Mobility Impaired Ultimate Turkey Hunt and the Wounded Warrior/Mobility Impaired Fishing Challenge.

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