



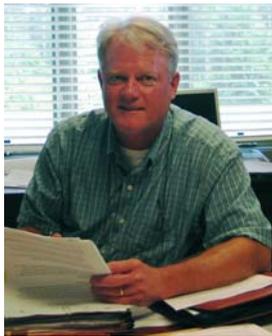
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Taylor Named as Supervisor of Kisatchie National Forest



ATLANTA (July 2, 2014) – William “Eddie” Taylor, Jr. has been selected as forest supervisor of the Kisatchie National Forest. He previously worked in Jackson as Deputy Forest Supervisor for the National Forests in Mississippi.

“The Southern Region has a legacy of successful ecosystem restoration projects, including several award-winning projects under Eddie’s leadership,” Regional Forester Liz Agpaoa said. “We welcome him as the Kisatchie’s new supervisor.”

Taylor’s 25-year career with the USDA Forest Service began in research. His work in the areas of ecosystem restoration, threatened and endangered species and prescribed fire has been recognized by the Southern Regional Office, the Forest Service Washington Office, and the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

“The Kisatchie National Forest has a great reputation as a leader in forest management, with hard-working employees and wonderful partners,” Taylor said. “I look forward to working with the staff and collaborating with our partners. It’s a great honor to lead the Kisatchie.”

Taylor’s first Forest Service job was in South Carolina studying Red-cockaded woodpeckers at the Southern Research Station, where he published several articles. Taylor has been instrumental in the development of artificial cavity techniques and the transfer of knowledge across federal and state agencies.

During his tenure he has worked as a wildlife technician, a wildlife biologist, the wildlife program manager on two national forests, the district ranger on two districts, then deputy forest supervisor.

Taylor holds a bachelor's degree in wildlife and fish science from Texas A&M University. He is married and enjoys the outdoors, especially hunting and fishing. He owns and manages a ranch with cattle and wetland areas for duck hunting.

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