



The mission of Natural Resources and Environment is to sustain the health, diversity, and productivity of the Nation's forests and grasslands to meet the needs of present and future generations. We carry out our mission in partnership with States, Tribes, and communities across the country who steward our Nation's Forest and grasslands.

About the NRE Mission Area

The Forest Service is the only agency under the NRE mission area. The agency is responsible for:

- Protection and management of natural resources on lands we manage
- Research on all aspects of forestry, rangeland management, and forest resource utilization
- Cooperation with State and local governments, forest industries, and private landowners to help protect and manage non-Federal forest, range, and watershed lands
- Support of an effective workforce reflecting the diversity of the American people
- Internal assistance for the protection and management of the world's forest resources

The Forest Service procures a wide variety of supplies, equipment, and services. Some examples include:

- Natural resource services and conservation services
- Construction of structures and facilities
- Maintenance, repair, or alteration of real property (incl. restoration of roads and bridges)
- Housekeeping services
- Transportation and charter services
- Professional, management and administrative support services
- Special studies and analyses

- A&E services
- Information technology
- Fire and aviation support services

About the Small Business Program

The Forest Service Small Business Program serves as the advocate and point of contact for small business concerns who are seeking contracting opportunities at the Forest Service. The program helps ensure that the Agency has access to a diverse base of procurement ready suppliers able to meet current and future needs. The program's goal is to connect responsible and reliable small businesses with our procurement professionals to support our National Programs and offices.

Connecting with the Small Business Program

- Capability Statements
Companies interested in doing business with the Forest Service should provide a capability statement identifying their areas of expertise to our Small Business Program at sm.fs.smallbusiness@usda.gov.
- Outreach Sessions
Companies interested in a virtual 1:1 meeting with our Small Business Program can use [this calendar](https://bit.ly/smallbusinessmtng) (bit.ly/smallbusinessmtng) to select a staff member and time to meet. Times are available on a first come first serve basis.