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## North Carolina Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services

*N.C. Forest Service*

**Strategic Plan Progress Report**



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### Promote the Forests

The Forest Service is responsible for promoting the conservation, development and profitable use of North Carolina's forests. We accomplish this by helping forest landowners establish new forests; supporting existing, new, and emerging forest product markets; and educating youth and adults on the benefits of our forest resources (Authorized by GS [106-895](#), [106-907](#)).

### Measure

Narrative accounts of our efforts to support forest-based product and commodity market retention, recruitment, and expansion. *(To be reported quarterly)*

### Summary

Reporting Period	Report
January 4, 2013	Strategic plan deployed
3 <sup>rd</sup> quarter FY 2013	Completed the 2011 Timber Product Output (TPO) Survey and submitted participant information to the US Forest Service – Southern Research Station. It is anticipated that the final 2011 TPO Report will be released in Fall 2013. Other efforts included partnering with other forestry stakeholder groups to petition the US Green Building Council to expand LEED Certification standards to include wood from all credible third-party certification programs, establishing a hardwood biomass demonstration stand as a means of asset diversification for forest landowners, and planning a regional conference to showcase the socioeconomic benefits of forest product exports from North Carolina.
4 <sup>th</sup> quarter FY 2013	Participated in the High Point Furniture Market, traveled to Germany to represent North Carolina and the Southern US at 2 international wood products trade shows, collaborated with NC State University Extension Forestry on the planning for a statewide forest resource and sustainability study, contracted with NC State University Dept. of Forest Biomaterials on a secondary wood products directory, and assisted the emerging wood pellet industry with data request and media relations.
<b>FY 2013 Summary</b>	Other fiscal year accomplishments included meeting with the USFS Southern Region Biomass Coordinator and statewide stakeholders to discuss future wood energy partnership opportunities, met with 2 state legislators concerning forest markets and stumpage prices, and partnered with NCDA&CS - International Marketing Division to host a team of Chinese log and lumber buyers (included 2 networking receptions and a series of sawmill tours). Other efforts included hosting an executive from UK's Drax Power Ltd. on a forestry tour of eastern NC, participated in the Southern Group of State Foresters – SUM Task Force meeting in Williamsburg, VA, and received a USFS grant for "Growing Demand for NC Hardwoods" in western NC (\$161,000). Numerous forest market related presentations were delivered statewide during FY 2012-2013 as well as continued collaboration with NC State University, NC Forestry Association, NC Association of Professional Loggers, and NCDA & CS - International Marketing Division.
1 <sup>st</sup> quarter FY 2014	
2 <sup>nd</sup> quarter FY 2014	
3 <sup>rd</sup> quarter FY 2014	
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FY 2014 Summary	
1 <sup>st</sup> quarter FY 2015	
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FY 2015 Summary	
1 <sup>st</sup> quarter FY 2016	
2 <sup>nd</sup> quarter FY 2016	
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FY 2016 Summary	