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**Virginia Chapter of the Association of Consulting Foresters
Named 2024 Small Chapter of the Year**

[Williamsburg, VA]— [The Association of Consulting Foresters of America, Inc.](https://www.acf-foresters.org/) (ACF) is pleased to announce that the Virginia Chapter has been named its 2024 Small Chapter of the Year. ACF is a national organization committed to serving independent consulting foresters who manage forests and market forest products for private woodland owners. The association annually recognizes a Large and Small Chapter of the Year for their exceptional accomplishments.

Sponsored by [STIHL, Inc.](https://www.stihl.com/), the small chapter of the year award honors one of ACF's chapters with less than 20 members for exemplary contributions to forestry, the local community, and the association. The Virginia Chapter will receive \$500 as part of this esteemed award.

"We are thrilled to recognize the Virginia Chapter as the Small Chapter of the Year," said Wayne Pfluger, Past President of ACF. "This award is a testament to the chapter's continuous commitment and exceptional contributions to the association and profession."

Virginia Chapter ACF members are deeply involved in enhancing the consulting forester profession through active participation in community outreach, education initiatives, and professional development. The Chapter's efforts in promoting sustainable forest management and its involvement with local educational institutions exemplify its dedication to advancing forestry practices and supporting landowners.

Dan Hammond, Virginia Chapter Chair expressed his gratitude, saying, "We are very honored to receive this recognition for the dedication and hard work of our members to advance the consulting forestry profession and enhance Virginia's forests."

ACF's Large Chapter of the Year Award similarly honors a chapter with more than 20 members and the 2024 award was presented to the Pennsylvania Chapter.

"I congratulate the Virginia Chapter on being selected as the Small Chapter of the Year and appreciate all the chapter has done to further the association's mission," said Shannon McCabe, CAE, ACF's Executive Director. "I also thank STIHL for sponsoring both of our chapter of the year awards for the seventh year."

The Large and Small Chapters of the Year were announced during the Awards Banquet at the recent 2024 ACF National Conference in Ponte Vedra Beach, FL. Chapter members present during the event accepted the awards on behalf of the respective winning chapters.

ACF provides professional development, networking opportunities, exclusive communications, tools, and resources to consulting foresters. ACF members are the gold standard of forestry consultants because

they meet rigorous educational, experience, and reference requirements as well as adhere to a Code of Ethics ensuring loyalty to landowners and their land.

For additional information about ACF, visit www.acf-foresters.org.

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About the Association of Consulting Foresters of America, Inc. (ACF):

Founded in 1948, the Association of Consulting Foresters of America, Inc. (ACF) is a professional organization dedicated to advancing the practice of professional consulting forestry and promoting the highest standards of professionalism and ethics among its members. ACF members can benefit forest landowners by enhancing property value, optimizing timber growth through sustainable harvests, maximizing the value of timber, enhancing wildlife habitat and recreational opportunities, and protecting family forest legacy. Visit www.acf-foresters.org to learn more.

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