**Specific information relating to ATFS Standards for Vermont**

**Standard 1- Commitment to Practicing Sustainable Forestry**

* Management plan comparison matrix for Use Value Appraisal, Tree Farm and NRCS requirements.
	+ https://www.vermonttreefarm.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/Comparisonmatrix.pdf

**Standard 2 – Compliance with Laws**

 What are the relevant Vermont laws a woodland owner must consider?

* Heavy Cut Law - http://fpr.vcms.vt.prod.cdc.nicusa.com/sites/fpr/files/About\_the\_Department/Rules\_and\_Regulations/Library/reghevcut.pdf
* Slash Laws http://fpr.vermont.gov/sites/fpr/files/About\_the\_Department/Rules\_and\_Regulations/Library/Timber\_Harvest\_2012Web.pdf
* AMP’s regulatory on Current Use Properties - https://fpr.vermont.gov/sites/fpr/files/Forest\_and\_Forestry/Forest\_Management/Library/AMP%20final%20version%207-17-18.pdf
* Shoreline regulations https://anr.vermont.gov/sites/anr/files/specialtopics/muniday/documents/2019-shoreland-protection-summary.pdf
* Wetland Rules https://dec.vermont.gov/sites/dec/files/documents/wsmd\_VermontWetlandRules.pdf
* Act 250 Harvests over 2500’ in Elevation http://fpr.vermont.gov/sites/fpr/files/About\_the\_Department/Rules\_and\_Regulations/Library/Timber\_Harvest\_2012Web.pdf
* Timber Trespass https://law.justia.com/codes/vermont/2016/title-13/chapter-77/section-3606a
* Where can a woodland owner find out more about relevant laws? https://fpr.vermont.gov/
* www.treefarmsystem.org/woodland-resources

**Standard 3- Reforestation and Afforestation**

* Use UVA acceptable guidelines for reforestation

**Standard 4- Air, Water and Soil Protection**

* Link to AMP guidelines https://fpr.vermont.gov/sites/fpr/files/Forest\_and\_Forestry/Forest\_Management/Library/AMP%20final%20version%207-17-18.pdf
* Link to FPR forest health page
	+ https://fpr.vermont.gov/forest/forest-health
* Link to Fire protection
	+ https://fpr.vermont.gov/forest/wildland-fire
* Vermont Acceptable Management Practices Guidelines for Maintaining Water Quality on Logging Jobs in Vermont http://fpr.vermont.gov/sites/fpr/files/Forest\_and\_Forestry/The\_Forest\_Ecosystem/Library/CurrentAMPBooklet.pdf
* http://vtinvasives.org/plants/prevention-and-management/tools-resources
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**Standard 5- Fish, Wildlife, Biodiversity and Forest Health**

* Vermont Biofinder<https://anr.vermont.gov/maps/biofinder>
* Vermont Natural Resources Atlashttps://anr.vermont.gov/maps/nr-atlas
* Invasive plants & insects:
	+ http://[www.](http://www.dnr.state.md.us/invasives/index.asp)vtinvasives.org
* Forest pests and pathogens:
	+ <http://www.fpr.vermont.gov>
* USDA Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service
	+ <http://www.aphis.usda.gov/wps/portal>
* Forests of Recognized Importance
	+ There are no Forests of Recognized Importance in Vermont.

**Standard 6- Forest Aesthetics**

* No laws or guidelines in VT

**Standard 7- Protect Special Sites**

* Historic Sites- <https://historicsites.vermont.gov/>
* Vermont Archeological Inventory
	+ https://accd.vermont.gov/historic-preservation/vermont-archaeological-inventory

**Standard 8- Forest Product Harvests and Other Activities**

* Using Licensed Foresters
	+ https://sos.vermont.gov/foresters/
* Though there are different programs “certifying” loggers, there is not one that is standard or required to hire a logger. Below is link to logger education sites.
	+ https://fpr.vermont.gov/forest/working-landscape/logger-training-continuing-education