



Monongahela National Forest – West Virginia

Monongahela National Forest was established April 28, 1920, and is in the Allegheny Mountains of eastern West Virginia. The Forest includes more than 920,000 acres of federal land in ten counties and the headwaters of six major river systems. Located within a day’s drive of nearly half the nation’s population, with an estimated average visitation of 500,000 annually, the Forest is one of the most biologically diverse national forests in the United States, partially due to variations in elevation and precipitation. The lowest part of the Forest is about 1,000 feet above sea level, while the central portion of the Forest contains the state’s highest point, Spruce Knob, at 4,863 feet. Monongahela National Forest is a working forest, providing timber, water, grazing, minerals, fish and wildlife habitat, along with recreational opportunities for current and future generations.

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Monongahela National Forest – Budget & Staffing						Fire Management			
Year	Budget			Employees		Objectives: habitat restoration, oak regeneration, wildlife habitat, hazardous fuels reduction (acres)			
FY2023	\$14M			183		Year	Hazard Fuels Reduction	Prescribed Fire Acres	Wildfires (Acres Burned)
FY2022	\$13M			137					
FY2021	\$12.53M			142		FY2023	427.3	1,331	6 (53.7)
FY2020	\$11.2M			125		FY2022	60	3,020	5 (9.35)
FY2019	\$12.4M			126		FY2021	101.91	2,418	7 (23.78)
Timber Program (MMBF/CCF) - FY2023 Target 30 MMBF						FY2020	6,955	134	4 (1,311)
Year	Sold		Harvested	Sold Value		FY2019	1,481	2,233	6 (64)
FY2023*	17.5/28,552		4.0/6,504	\$1.65M		Forest Road System in Miles			
FY2022	17.2/28,379		12.7/20,872	\$2.39M		County	State	Forest Service	Federal / US
FY2021	15.7/ 25,949		14.0/23,053	\$1.28M		1244	259	778 (open)	292
FY2020	16.4/ 27,269		11.6/19,180	\$556,166		Recreation – Special Areas			
FY2019	16.2/26,803		13.5/22,259	\$1.32M		Wilderness Areas		8	115,779 acres
*as of May 16, 2023						Special Interest Areas		28	79,060 acres
Allowable Sale Quantity 63 MMBF; Source: 2006 Revised Forest Plan						National Recreation Area		1	99,862 acres
Acres Sold by Method of Cut (as of May 17, 2023)						Scenic Byways		1	43 miles
	FY19	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23	Visitor Centers		2	
Clearcut	444	1017	406	400	415	Developed Recreation Sites		195	
Shelterwood	253	-	93	224	-	Recreation – Designated Trails			
Group Selection	-	-	54	124	282	Multi-Use Trails		910.6 miles	
Single Tree Selection	-	-	-	54	-	Wilderness Trails		213.3 miles	
Thinning	365	47	53	203	287	Non-Wilderness Trails		576.5 miles	
Salvage	10	12	31	-	-	Law Enforcement Statistics			
Total	1072	1076	637	1003	984	FY21: 24 warnings, 181 incident reports, 20 violation notices			
Age Class Distribution of Forest (forested only)						Lands/Minerals/Soils/Watershed			
0-19 years old		<1% early successional				Special Use Permits: 25 processed or renewed in 2022			
20-39 years old		3% early to mid-successional				Land Acquisitions: none reported for 2022			
40-79 years old		9% mid-successional				Natural Gas Wells: 57 active			
80-120 years old		78% mid-late successional				Stream habitat enhanced: 34.2 miles, 17.7 acres, 38 lake acres			
>120 years old		9% late successional				Soil and water resources protected/improved: 321.6 acres			
Reforestation (as of May 17, 2023)						Grazing Allotments: 52 allotments, 6,658 acres			
Year	Acres Planted		Natural Regeneration			Payments to Counties in West Virginia			
FY2023	306		687			Secure Rural Schools Payments (10 counties) 2022 \$1.7M; 2021 \$1.4M; 2020 \$1.5 M; 2019 \$1.5M; 2018 \$1.7M			
FY2022	405		802						
FY2021	239		553			Payments in Lieu of Taxes (10 counties; NFS lands only) 2022 \$2.6M; 2021 \$2.52M; 2020 \$2.49M; 2019 \$2.45M			
FY2020	212		882						
FY2019	137		697						