

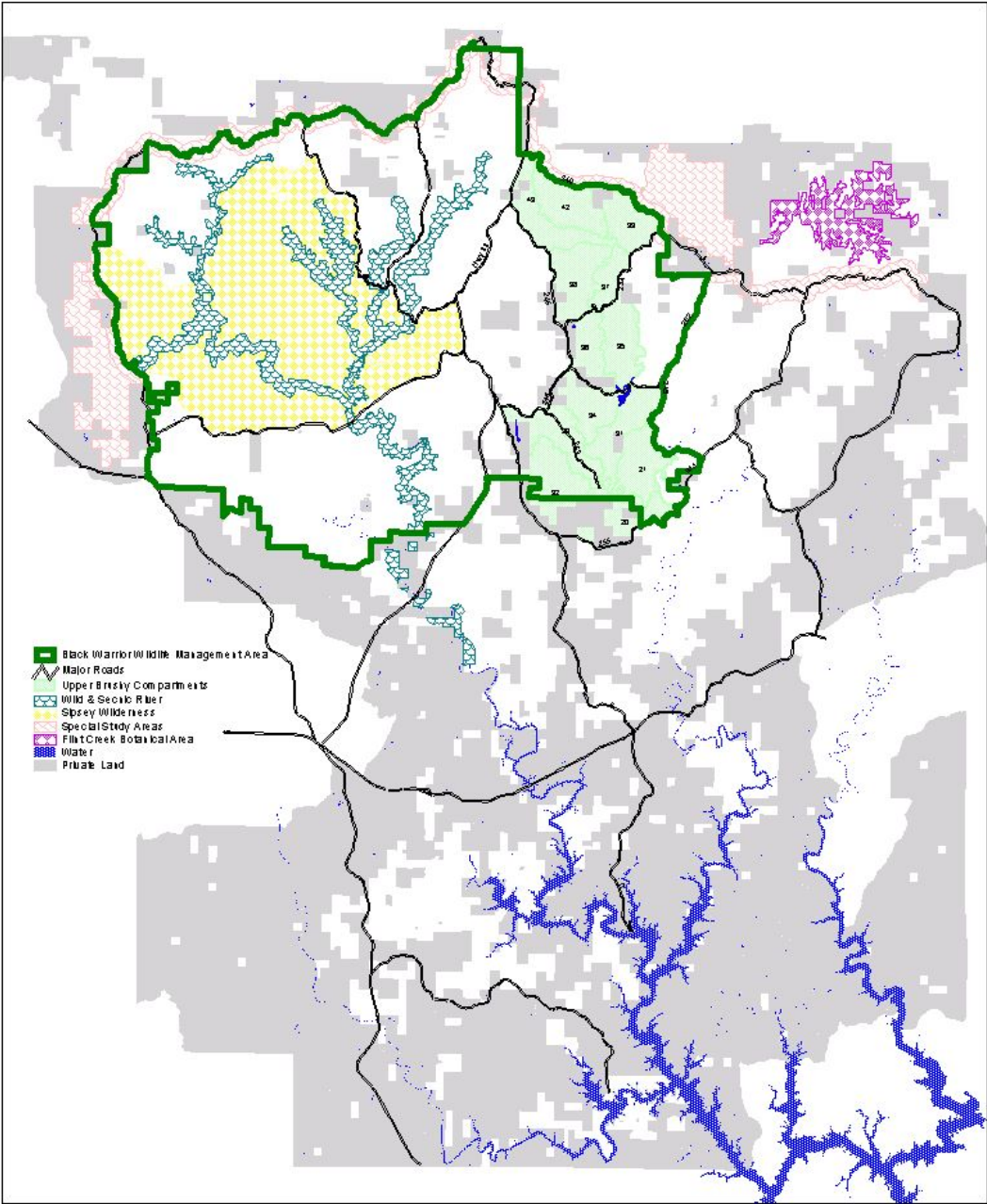
Stewardship Authority

- New Authority from Congress
 - Use agreements and contracts to implement stewardship projects.
 - Purpose is to achieve land management goals that meet community needs.

Key Parts

- Funds generated in part of a project can be used to accomplish other project needs.
- Public Participation and Partnerships.

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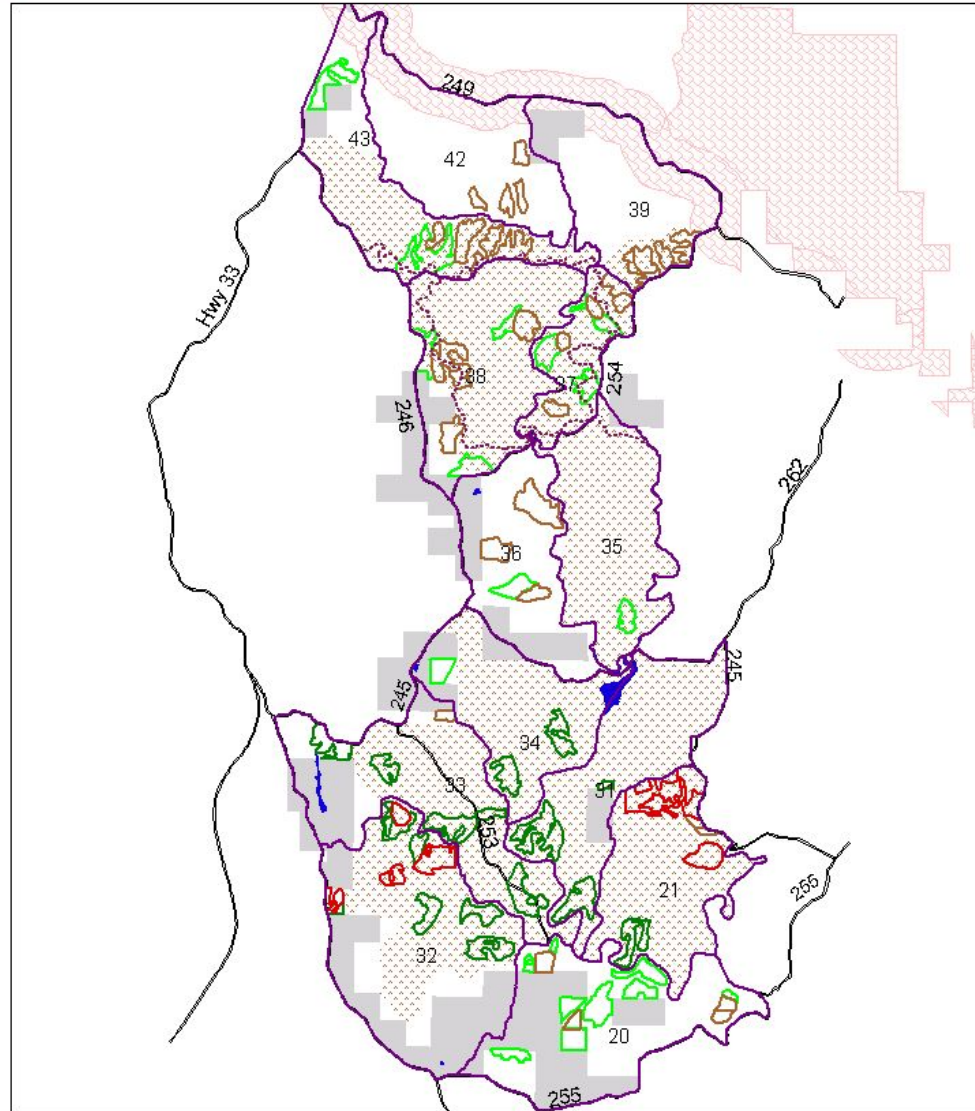
Bankhead National Forest Upper Brushy Forest Restoration and Habitat Enhancement Project



- Upper Brushy Compartment
- Upper Brushy Trails
- Upper Brushy Pine Restoration Areas
- Upper Brushy Hardwood Restoration Areas
- Upper Brushy Thinning Areas - DFC Pine
- Upper Brushy Thinning Areas - DFC Hardwood
- Upper Brushy Prescribed Burn Areas
- Special Study Areas

T7&8S, R7W

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Proposal Components

- Thinning (will generate funds)
- Restoration of SPB Spots
- Prescribe Burn
- Silvicultural Treatments
- Wildlife Habitat Enhancement
- Nonnative Invasive Plant Control
- Hazard Tree Removal on Roads and Trails
- American Chestnut Demonstration Site
- Inventory and Monitoring

Wildlife Enhancement

- Wildlife Opening Improvements
- Mid-story and Understory Treatments
- Early Successional Habitat Enhancement
- Native Upland Plant Establishment
- North Alabama Birding Trail Interpretive Signs

Project Proposal

- Has been sent to the Supervisor for Review.
- Will be Forwarded to the Regional Forester for Final Approval.

Potential Partners

- Bankhead Liaison Panel
- The Nature Conservancy
- National Wild Turkey Federation
- Quail Unlimited
- Buckmasters
- North Alabama Birding Trail
- Alabama A & M University
- USDA Southern Research Station
- American Chestnut Foundation
- Backcountry Trail Riders