

Texas 4-H Forestry Project

Project Description

Learn the importance of conserving forest land in the forestry project. Youth will gain citizenship, leadership skills, and practical forest management skills, like identifying tree diseases and the use of a compass in a forest. By learning these skills you will be better prepared to own forest land or deal with environmental issues in the future.

In this project, youth will learn the following skills: tree identification, tree measurement, forest evaluation, compass orienteering, topographic map use, and forest insect and disease identification.

Basic

- Getting involved in the forestry project at a basic level may include visiting businesses or organizations in the industry to learn more about forestry on large scale.
- The Texas A&M Forest Service provides educational opportunities for youth in forestry as well.
- This is a great project to do community service with, especially if youth are close to a National Forest. Reach out to local organizations to learn how you may be able to help with forest clean ups.

Intermediate

 There are contests to participate in where you will put your knowledge to the test, such as the natural resources photography, and the national 4-H forestry invitational.

Advanced

 Youth may take their involvement to the highest level by educating others about forestry through public speaking or educational presentations.

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Project Learning Opportunities:

- National 4-H Forestry Invitational
- Natural Resources Photography Contest
- Texas Freshwater Fisheries Center Fish Art Contest
- Forestry clinics or opportunities in your area

Resources:

- Training materials and references for the forestry invitational
- Field Guide for the Eastman Nature Trail
- 4-H Forestry Project Curriculum

Did you know?

4-H is a club for kids and teens to develop life skills and make friends. Youth can join 4-H in all 254 counties. Everybody ages 8-18 and in 3rd-12th grades can join 4-H. Kids in Kindergarten to 2nd grades can join as Clover Kids. There are 43 different project areas in five project categories: Agriculture & Livestock, Family & Community Health, Leadership & Citizenship, Natural Resources, and STEM.

Want to get started?

First...Contact your County Extension Agent!

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