# TIMBERLANDS LEGACY



### TIMBERLANDS LEGACY PROGRAM: STEWARDING THE FORESTS, FUNDING THE UNIVERSITY

Our timberlands are among our most treasured resources. Often passed from generation to generation, ownership of the land provides us with roots as well as resources to support us for years to come.

Clemson University's Timberlands Legacy Program provides landowners with a unique opportunity to use their timberland to benefit the University while ensuring that their land is managed and protected.

#### Ways to Give

A gift of harvestable timberland, whether outright or through your will, to the Clemson University Real Estate Foundation (CUREF) allows you to see your land managed and maintained by forestry experts while the revenues from timber harvests benefit Clemson students, faculty and programs. CUREF assumes responsibility for management, fees and taxes, and in turn receives the financial benefits of the timber harvests. The financial benefit of the gift is realized by the University when the timber is thinned and when it is ultimately harvested at maturity. Many types of donations can be considered, whether they are existing stands of timber or properties that can be managed long-term. Prior to acceptance, each tract must be approved by the CUREF.

There are a number of potential uses for your land – including, but not limited to, teaching, research, timber sales and hunting leases – all of which can benefit Clemson students, faculty and programs.

You may also donate a percentage of your timber sales and/or hunting lease revenues from your timberland, which would allow you to use your timberland to benefit the University while maintaining ownership of your land.

## The Need

Your gift to Clemson University has never been more vital. As the demand for top-quality education grows along with the financial needs of the students and the University, your support can make the difference now and long into the future. Timberland is a gift that will continue to provide benefits year after year, creating a legacy that reaches beyond your imagination.

# The Impact

By donating your timberland or harvest revenues to Clemson, you support the University's goals in many ways:

- Revenues generated from your land may be used to fund scholarships, endow faculty positions, build or improve campus facilities and support student engagement programs that are of special interest to you.
- Building on Clemson's more than 75-year history of forestry management, your donated timberlands can provide a living classroom for students of wildlife management, forestry, water quality, wildlife and fisheries biology, and environmental and natural resources. Your timberland donation can provide a financial and experiential advantage for students as they learn the realities of maintaining healthy forests.
- Your gift provides economic development through its support of the state's most valuable cash crop timber. This industry provides 30,000 jobs and generates \$18.6 billion for the state's economy.

### Your Support Makes a Difference

Because students and faculty are at the heart of everything we do at Clemson, our support for them is vital. Your gift raises funds to recruit and retain the most promising students and to attract and keep leading teachers and researchers. It also funds initiatives that help to make a Clemson education exceptional, that build a knowledge-based economy and that drive innovation.

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