

BALANCING PEOPLE AND THE FOREST

Ecological forestry lets you balance economic goals with environmental and social objectives, such as **wildlife habitat, carbon storage, or beautiful hiking trails.**

Ecological forestry mimics natural processes and retains standing merchantable timber as a long-term investment in the forest's ecological and financial capital.

The central question isn't **what can I take?** but rather **what forest will I leave behind?**



WANT TO LEARN MORE?

NNRG provides a broad suite of services, ranging from forest management planning and timber harvest administration, to wildlife habitat enhancement. Our clients include family forests, land trusts, conservation groups, public land managers, and more.

Visit nnrg.org to learn how ecological forestry can benefit your forest—or a local public forest you care about.

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WHAT IS ECOLOGICAL FORESTRY?

**Forest stewardship that
balances your financial and
environmental goals.**



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**THE
BENEFITS OF
ECOLOGICAL FORESTRY**

You’ve probably driven past land being managed with ecological forestry without noticing it was being managed at all.

Ecological forestry treats the forest as a whole system, so you can keep it healthy and productive while also harvesting timber.

**TOOLS
AND
TECHNIQUES**

With ecological forestry, you’ll thin the forest to reduce competition, adjust species composition, and free up room, water, and nutrients for the remaining trees to grow bigger.

Thinning the forest allows more light to reach the forest floor, stimulating the growth of understory plant species that support wildlife.

To improve biodiversity, you’ll plant native species missing from the forest, create snags and habitat piles, and remove invasive plants.

**ECOLOGICAL FORESTRY ISN’T JUST
BEAUTIFUL. IT ALSO...**



Restores and improves wildlife habitat



Builds carbon storage by growing bigger trees



Provides steady income for rural landowners and communities



Improves soil and water quality by retaining moisture and nutrients



Increases forest resilience by cultivating a diversity of species and ages

