

Texas A&M Institute of Renewable Natural Resources

Efforts to Benefit Longleaf Pine Ecosystem Conservation in East Texas

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The Texas A&M Institute of Renewable Natural Resources (IRNR) is a member of the steering committee for the Texas Longleaf Implementation Team/Texas Longleaf Pine Task Force. Through our declaration of partnership with the team, we provide in-kind support to advance longleaf pine initiatives by:

- Attending business meetings, workshops, and field days in support of the team;
- Sharing updates on larger conservation efforts throughout the longleaf range, such as the America's Longleaf Restoration Initiative;
- Participating in working groups or subcommittees, as necessary, to advance particular projects;
- Providing geospatial mapping assistance, as needed, to produce figures or maps depicting longleaf or woodland owners across East Texas;
- Providing graphics design support, as necessary, for team logos or communications products; and
- Providing technical and organizational support for the Texas Longleaf Pine Task Force website.

These efforts support our Institute goals of fostering and communicating educational outreach programs focusing on natural resources science and management in Texas. Longleaf conservation efforts also support the recovery of threatened and endangered species, which is a key focus area for IRNR and it's work with the Department of Defense Readiness and Environmental Protection Integration (REPI) program.