

Georgia Sentinel Landscape Prescribed Fire Initiative

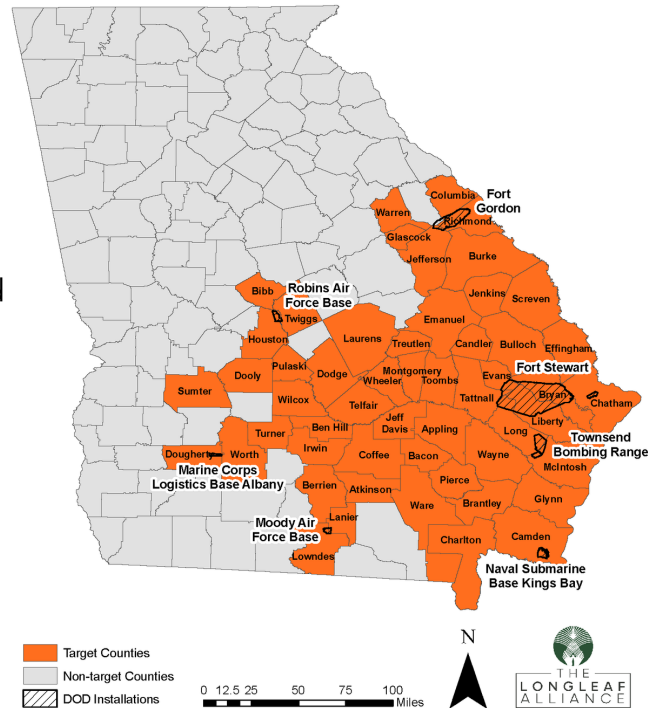
The Georgia Sentinel Landscape Prescribed Fire Initiative is focused on helping landowners utilize prescribed fire as a land management tool to manage and maintain healthy forestlands. The benefits of prescribed burning include reducing wildfire risk, creating wildlife habitat, and enhancing aesthetics. A cost-share program is available through this initiative for landowners in more than 50 counties to conduct prescribed burning, create firebreaks, and obtain prescribed burn plans.

Eligibility Requirements:

- Applicant must be the legal landowner
- Only private forestlands are eligible for funding
- Property must be located within a target county of the Georgia Sentinel Landscape (see map)
- Landowner must be able to implement a prescribed burn or hire someone who can

Program Details:

- Application deadline: November 1, 2021
- Practice cost-share rates:
 - \$15/acre for prescribed burning
 - \$0.10/ft for firebreaks
- Must prescribed burn a minimum of 25 acres
- No duplicative funding for these practices
- Applications will be evaluated and ranked with an emphasis on longleaf ecosystem health, gopher tortoise habitat, and proximity to military installations
- Prescribed burning must be conducted legally by securing a burn permit and following all local ordinances
- Landowner must allow Georgia Sentinel Landscape Pilot Project Coordinator access to the burn unit for application ranking criteria verification, prescribed burn progress, and mapping
- Funded landowners must have the practices completed by August 1, 2022



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