Certified Forests in Minnesota

Forest Stewardship Council™ - FSC®
Sustainable Forestry Initiative - SFI®

Certification Data | Acres
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Total (All Ownership) | 8,483,153
Dual (All Ownership) | 5,659,817
FSC (All Ownership) | 6,855,494
SFI (All Ownership) | 7,287,476
Public (FSC or SFI) | 7,502,094
Private (FSC or SFI) | 927,059

225,069 acres certified under the American Tree Farm System are not shown due to concerns regarding privacy rights.
# Forest Management Certificates in Minnesota

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## FSC Certified Acres

### All Ownerships
- 6,855,494 acres

### Public: Minnesota DNR
- 4,960,177 acres

### Public: County
- 1,627,667 acres

### Private: Industry
- 252,217 acres

### Private: Non-Industry
- 15,433 acres

## SFI/PEFC Certified Acres

### All Ownerships
- 7,287,476 acres

### Public: Minnesota DNR
- 4,979,253 acres

### Public: County
- 1,594,814 acres

### Private: Industry
- 488,340 acres

### Private: Non-Industry
- 215,976 acres

## FSC Certificates

### Public
- Minnesota DNR: 4,960,177 acres
- MCSFC: 699,640 acres
- Aitkin County Land Dept.: 221,657 acres
- Cass County Land Dept.: 253,494 acres
- Lake County Land Dept.: 151,216 acres
- Itasca County: 301,660 acres

### Private
- Aitkin County SWCD: 2,689 acres
- C. Forestry Resource Center: 2,400 acres
- Potlatch Forest Holdings: 252,217 acres
- St. John’s Abbey: 1,484 acres
- The Nature Conservancy (TNC): 8,860 acres

## SFI/PEFC Certificates

### Public
- Minnesota DNR: 4,979,253 acres
- MCSFC: 699,640 acres
- St. Louis County Land Dept.: 895,174 acres

### Private
- Forest Capital Partners: 298,955 acres
- UPM-Kymmene: 189,385 acres
- MN Tree Farmers (PEFC): 225,069 acres

## Dual (FSC & SFI) Certificates

### Minnesota DNR (2005-present)
- 4,960,177 acres

### MCSFC (2009-present)
- 699,640 acres
  - Beltrami County: 147,000 acres
  - Carlton County: 73,000 acres
  - Clearwater County: 90,140 acres
  - Crow Wing County: 103,000 acres
  - Koochiching County: 286,500 acres

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1. Forest Stewardship Council (FSC); Sustainable Forestry Initiative (SFI); Programme for the Endorsement of Forest Certification schemes (PEFC)
3. As of 12/31/10, 81,673 acres of USFWS-owned Land Utilization Project (LUP) lands managed by DNR are dual Certified. 19,076 acres of agricultural leases and cooperative forestry agreements are SFI Certified only, thus accounting for the difference between DNR’s certificates.
4. The Minnesota Counties Sustainable Forest Cooperative (MCSFC) is a group certificate including the 5 counties listed above. MCSFC was awarded its SFI certificate in 2008 and its FSC certificate on November 1, 2009.
5. The American Tree Farm System (ATFS) was awarded PEFC recognition on August 7, 2008. There are 1,606 Certified Tree Farmers in MN with a total of 225,069 acres. Due to privacy rights, there is no geo-spatial data available for this acreage. ATFS fiber is recognized by and tracked through the SFI Chain-of-Custody system. Please contact Tom Witkowski @ tomforester@charter.net for more info.

**Data Sources:** Data primarily obtained directly from certificate holders. Total acres may not correspond to those listed on the FSC-US & Metafore.org websites. In some cases, total acres include both productive & non-productive forestland, as well as non-forested acres.