



## American Bird Conservancy: Bringing Back the Forest Birds

### Project Overview

American Bird Conservancy will receive \$86,000 from the SFI Conservation and Community Partnerships Grant program to work with a broad array of SFI-certified landowners to identify priority habitats for bird conservation, develop improved management scenarios for these habitats, and focus on locations where those ownerships intersect with critical habitats and flyways in North America. This analysis will then be combined with existing understanding of optimal habitat conditions, and an economic and feasibility analysis to determine the actual cost associated with managing certified forests to maximize habitat value. The combination of scale (major forest regions and forest types), along with the collaboration with SFI Program Participants on economic feasibility, make this project truly unique and practical. The breadth of partners involved will enable focus on a range of habitats and forest regions, and promote individual involvement of these various companies in places where their operations are focused.

The project intersects with SFI Certification Standards through conservation of biological diversity, and requirements for wildlife habitat conservation.

### Project Partners

American Bird Conservancy will partner with NatureServe, Resource Management Service, LLC, Plum Creek Timber Company, Weyerhaeuser, Hancock Timber Resource Group.