

HELPFUL FACTSHEET FOR WOODLOT OWNERS



Association forestière
du sud du Québec

A forest that pays

Your forest can provide you with financial benefits that allow you to pay some of your property taxes and maybe even more.

- Wood sales income
- Financial assistance for carrying out forestry work
- Tax credits
- Renting for hunting (and recreational)
- Production of non-timber forest products

Sale of harvested timber

The marketing of wood in private forests is governed by the Syndicat des producteurs forestiers du sud du Québec.

- Publication of wood prices
- List of processing plants
- Training offered to woodlot owners
- Transportation



Who to reach?

- **Syndicat des producteurs forestiers du sud du Québec** (timber marketing, forest management, certification, workshops, information)
www.spbestrie.qc.ca (819 346-8905)
- **Fédération des producteurs forestiers du Québec** (general information on private forests)
www.foretprivee.ca (450 679-0530)
- **Your municipality or your RCM** (municipal by-laws and permits)

A well-managed and productive forest

There are programs and organizations that can help you manage your forest.

- Financial help available
- Tax credits for performing silvicultural work
- Forest certification to ensure forestry work approval
- Training offered on various aspects of forestry activity
- Extensive range of silvicultural work available: partial cutting (thinning, gardening, etc.), tree planting and maintenance, reforestation under forest cover or fallow.

Who to reach?

- **Agence de mise en valeur de la forêt privée de l'Estrie** (funding programs and information)
www.agenceestrie.qc.ca (819 875-1007)
- **Association forestière du sud du Québec** (videos, magazine, information, events, congress)
www.afsq.org (819 562-3388)
- **Conseillers forestiers – Groupement ou firme d'ingénieurs forestiers** (consulting services, forest management, certification)
Refer to Agence de mise en valeur de la forêt privée de l'Estrie to obtain the list of accredited advisors.

Financing for the acquisition of forest properties

- **Financement agricole du Canada** (information)
www.fcc-fac.ca/fr.html
- **Financière agricole du Québec** (forestry funding programs)
www.fadq.qc.ca

Conservation

You wish to keep your woodlot as is? Several options are offered to you which could also get you tax reductions.

- Declaration of intent
- Management, forestry and development agreements
- Conservation easement
- Private nature reserve
- Sale to a conservation organization
- Donation



Who to reach?

- **Canards Illimités Canada** (consulting services and information)
www.canards.ca (1 800 665-3825)
- **Conservation de la nature Canada** (information)
www.natureconservancy.ca (514 876-1606)
- **Corridor Appalachien** (consulting services and information)
www.corridorappalachien.ca (450 297-1145)
- **Nature Cantons-de-l'Est** (consulting services and information)
www.naturecantonsdelest.ca (819 566-5600)

Agroforestry

This practice is based on the association between trees or shrubs and cultures or livestock breedings in order to generate economic, environmental and social benefits.

Examples :



Windbreaking systems



Hive installation



Fruit-bearing Production

Non-timber forest products (NTFPs)

The NTFPs are forest products which possess economic value and which are non-traditional timber matter.

4 main groups :



Food products



Decorative products



Pharmaceutical products



Manufactured products and material

Who to reach?

- **Agri-Réseau-Agroforesterie** (information) www.agrireseau.net/Agroforesterie
- **Biopterre** (information) www.biopterre.com (1 888 229-2808)
- **Club agroenvironnemental de l'Estrie** (consulting services) www.clubsconseils.org (819 820-8620)
- **Club de producteur de noix du Québec** (information) www.noixduquebec.org
- **Cultur'Innov** (consulting services, information and workshops) www.culturinnov.qc.ca (819 340-1836)
- **Gilde des herboristes** (information) www.gildedeshherboristes.org (514 900-7101)
- **Ministère de l'Agriculture, Pêcheries et Alimentation** (information and funding) www.mapaq.gouv.qc.ca

Hunting

Looking for a way to rent your woodlot as a hunting ground?

- Publish an advertisement in the local newspaper
- Publish an advertisement in the forums of hunting and fishing magazines
- Contact the hunting and fishing clubs of your area, some of which are members of the Quebec Hunter and Fishermen Federation

You would like to create wildlife habitats for :



White-tailed deer



Wild turkeys



Snowshoe hares

Who to reach?

- **Fédération des producteurs forestiers du Québec** (information) www.foretrivee.ca (450 679-7021)
- **Fédération québécoise des chasseurs et pêcheurs – Estrie section** www.fedecp.com
- **Fondation de la faune du Québec** (guides and funding programs) www.fondationdelafaune.qc.ca (418 644-7926)
- **Ministry of Forests, wildlife and Parks - wildlife section** (licenses and regulations) www.mffp.gouv.qc.ca/faune/chasse

Maple syrup production

Seek information about :



Sugarbush development management plans



Organic certification



SIROPRO Certification

Who to reach?

- **Agri-Réseau Érable** (information) www.agrireseau.net/erable
- **Citadelle** (information) www.citadelle-camp.coop (819 362-3241)
- **Club Acéricole du sud du Québec** (information and consulting services) www.proforet.com (819 583-0257)
- **Fédération d'agriculture biologique du Québec** (information) www.fabqbio.ca
- **Fédération des producteurs acéricoles du Québec** (information) www.fpaq.ca (450 679-7021)
- **Réseau Agriconseils de l'Estrie-Acériculture** (consulting services) www.agriconseils.qc.ca (819 829-0641)

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