

# Establishing Priorities for Your Management Plan

**NC STATE**

**EXTENSION**

Establish priorities and develop objectives for managing your land by answering/ranking responses to these questions.

1. My property is used for (rank from 1–6, in order of significance):

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|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> primary residence  | <input type="checkbox"/> weekend retreat    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> future development | <input type="checkbox"/> recreation         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> investment         | <input type="checkbox"/> other (list) _____ |

2. Acreage \_\_\_\_\_ total \_\_\_\_\_ woodland \_\_\_\_\_ open area/pasture

3. Priorities for the property (rank from 1–7, in order of significance):

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|--|--|---------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> residence   | <input type="checkbox"/> wildlife management |                                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> hunting   | <input type="checkbox"/> observation         |                                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> recreation/beauty                                 | <input type="checkbox"/> water protection    |                                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> soil conservation                                 |  |                                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> timber management ( <input type="checkbox"/> pine | <input type="checkbox"/> hardwood            | <input type="checkbox"/> mixed) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> other (list) _____                                |  |                                 |

4. Activities that you use the property for (rank in order of significance, with 1 being the highest):

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|---|---|----------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> bird watching      | <input type="checkbox"/> biking               | <input type="checkbox"/> hiking  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> firewood           | <input type="checkbox"/> fishing              | <input type="checkbox"/> camping |
| <input type="checkbox"/> horseback riding   | <input type="checkbox"/> hunting              | <input type="checkbox"/> boating |
| <input type="checkbox"/> nature walks       | <input type="checkbox"/> wildlife observation |                                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> other (list) _____ |   |                                  |

5. Woodland management goals (rank from 1–9, in order of significance, with 1 being the highest):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> maintain forest health          | <input type="checkbox"/> maximize forestry income   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> generate immediate income       | <input type="checkbox"/> provide periodic income    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> improve future income potential | <input type="checkbox"/> maximize wildlife benefits |
| <input type="checkbox"/> maximize forest beauty          | <input type="checkbox"/> maintain mature forest     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> other (list) _____              |   |

6. Wildlife management orientation (rank from 1–6, in order of significance, with 1 being the highest):

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|---|---|-------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> recreational hunting opportunities | <input type="checkbox"/> non-game species |                                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> observation                        | <input type="checkbox"/> game species     | <input type="checkbox"/> protection |
| <input type="checkbox"/> other (list) _____                 |   |                                     |

7. Featured or target wildlife species:

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|---|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> fox                | <input type="checkbox"/> waterfowl     | <input type="checkbox"/> wild turkey       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> quail              | <input type="checkbox"/> woodcock      | <input type="checkbox"/> non-game species  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> rabbit             | <input type="checkbox"/> songbirds     | <input type="checkbox"/> gray squirrel     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> beaver             | <input type="checkbox"/> raccoon       | <input type="checkbox"/> mourning dove     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> grouse             | <input type="checkbox"/> birds of prey | <input type="checkbox"/> white-tailed deer |
| <input type="checkbox"/> other (list) _____ |  |  |

8. Soil and water management focus:

- stabilize existing erosion
- increase soil productivity
- other (list) \_\_\_\_\_
- improve water quality

9. Management constraints:

- limited capital
- lack equipment
- distance from property
- other (list) \_\_\_\_\_
- need technical assistance
- need funding assistance

10. Property history:

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11. Outstanding or unique features (requiring protection/special management):

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12. Management philosophy:

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13. Ownership/family situation:

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