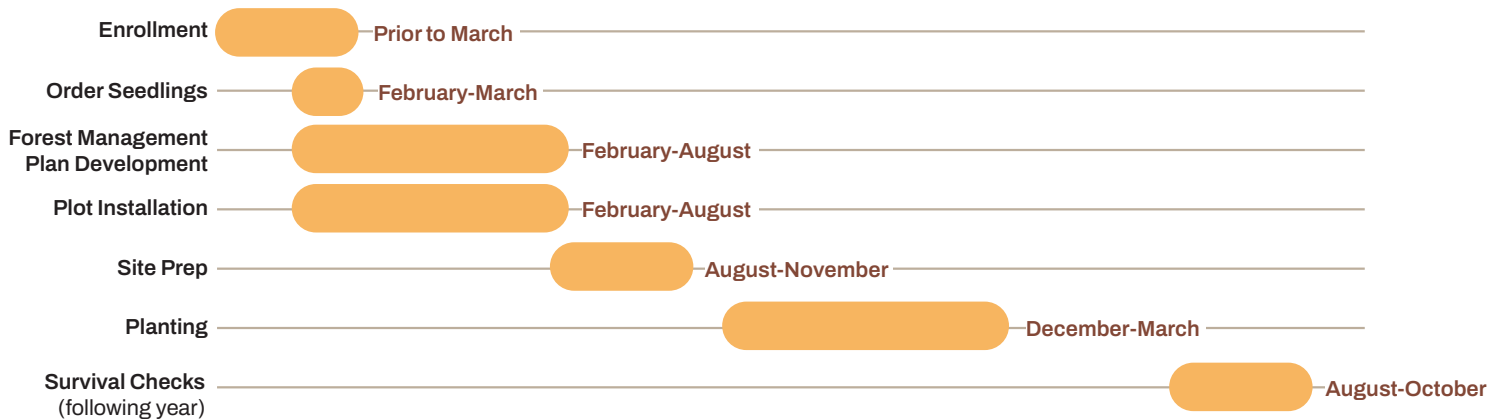




Enrolling in Fields & Forests is the start of an exciting journey, and one we take together! From preparing your land and planting new trees, to checking in on how they grow, our team is here to guide and support you every step of the way. Below, you'll find a simple overview of the planting timeline, what happens at each stage, and how often you can expect to see us on your property. We want you to always know what's coming next.

Planting Timeline



Enrollment

Landowners learn about the program, work with the Fields & Forest team, and ultimately sign a contract.

Order Seedlings

Fields & Forests places an order from tree nurseries based on acres enrolled leading up to the planting cycle. Seedlings are sown once a year, around April, depending on # ordered.

Forest Management Plan Development

A forester writes the forest management plan guiding the landowner through what to expect during the 30-year contract, including supporting references and maps.

Plot Installation

Fields & Forests staff or contractors measure biomass existing on site prior to any site disturbance.

Site Prep

The enrolled acres are prepared for planting seedlings using herbicides to eliminate competing vegetation.

Planting

Crews move equipment onsite to plant pine seedlings, which includes furrowing a row, planting, and covering the seedling. Hand crews plant areas that are inaccessible by tractors.

Survival Checks

During or shortly after planting, we will evaluate seedlings for proper planting. Then after one growing season, we will again evaluate seedlings to ensure 85% survival rate.

During the planting process, AFF will need access to your land several times over the course of two years:

- **Early Fall (Year 1):** Our team will spend one day installing measurement plots. This involves people only—no equipment.
- **Mid to Late Fall (Year 1):** Site preparation will take approximately one day.
- **Winter (Dec–Mar, Year 1–2):** Planting the seedlings will take 1–2 days depending on the project area size

- **Following Fall (Year 2):** After one full growing season, we will visit the site again to assess seedling survival and overall stand health. If needed, a post-planting seedling release treatment may be applied.

AFF will coordinate with you in advance regarding any necessary access during the planting period. While you may see different faces at different planting stages, your primary point of contact will be your assigned forester.