## Georgia Sentinel Landscape **Prescribed Fire Initiative**

The Georgia Sentinel Landscape Prescribed Fire Initiative is focused on helping landowners utilize prescribed fire as a land management tool to manage and maintain healthy forestlands. The benefits of prescribed burning include reducing wildfire risk, creating wildlife habitat, and enhancing aesthetics. A cost-share program is available through this initiative for landowners in more than 50 counties to conduct prescribed burning, create firebreaks, and obtain prescribed burn plans.

## **Eligibility Requirements:**

- Applicant must be the legal landowner
- Only private forestlands are eligible for funding
- Property must be located within a target county of the Georgia Sentinel Landscape (see map)
- Landowner must be able to implement a prescribed burn or hire someone who can

## **Program Details:**

- Must prescribed burn a minimum of 25 acres
- Applications are accepted year-round
- Practice cost-share rates:
  - \$15/acre for prescribed burning
  - \$0.15/ft for firebreaks
- Available for the 2021 spring/summer burn season
- No duplicative funding for these practices
- Prescribed burning must be conducted legally by securing a burn permit and following all local ordinances
- Landowner must allow Georgia Sentinel Landscape Pilot Project Coordinator access to the burn unit for application ranking criteria verification, prescribed burn progress, and mapping
- Funded landowners must have the practices completed by September 30, 2021





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