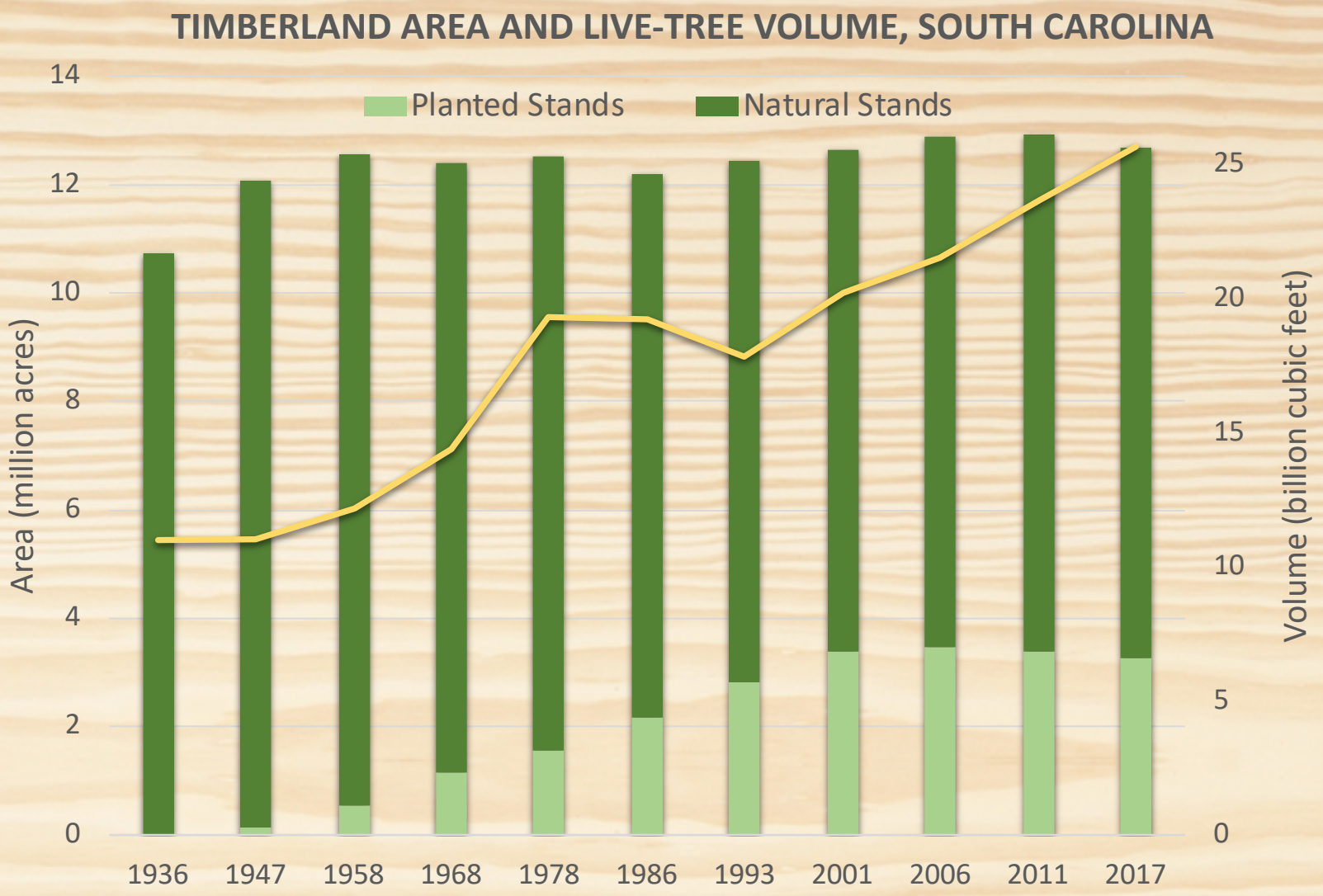
THE STATE OF FORESTRY
IN SOUTH CAROLINA

Scott Phillips
STATE FORESTER
SC Forestry Commission

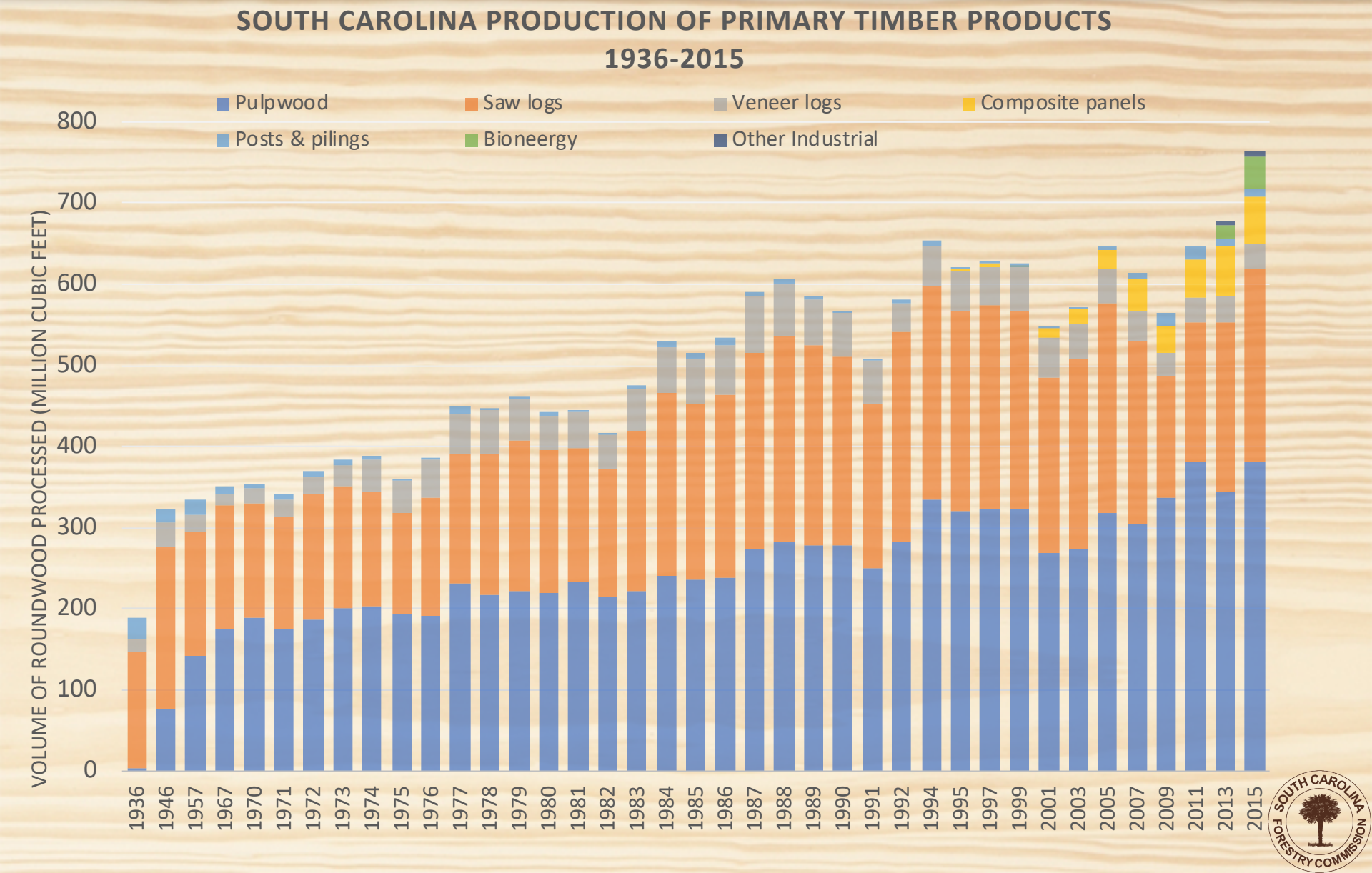
OUR FORESTS

- 12.9 million acres of forestland
- 67% of SC's land area is forested
- Live-tree volume: 26 billion cubic feet
- 52% hardwood / 48% pine types
- 24% planted pine, produces
  >50% of timber supply
- 87% private / 13% public
- 207,000 family forest owners
  (86,000 own 10+ acres)
- Growth exceeds harvest
- Timber volumes at record levels
- Scarcity of pulpwood-sized pine in the coastal plain region

TIMBER VOLUMES AT RECORD LEVELS



DEMAND IS GROWING!



RECENT ANNOUNCEMENTS/EXPANSIONS

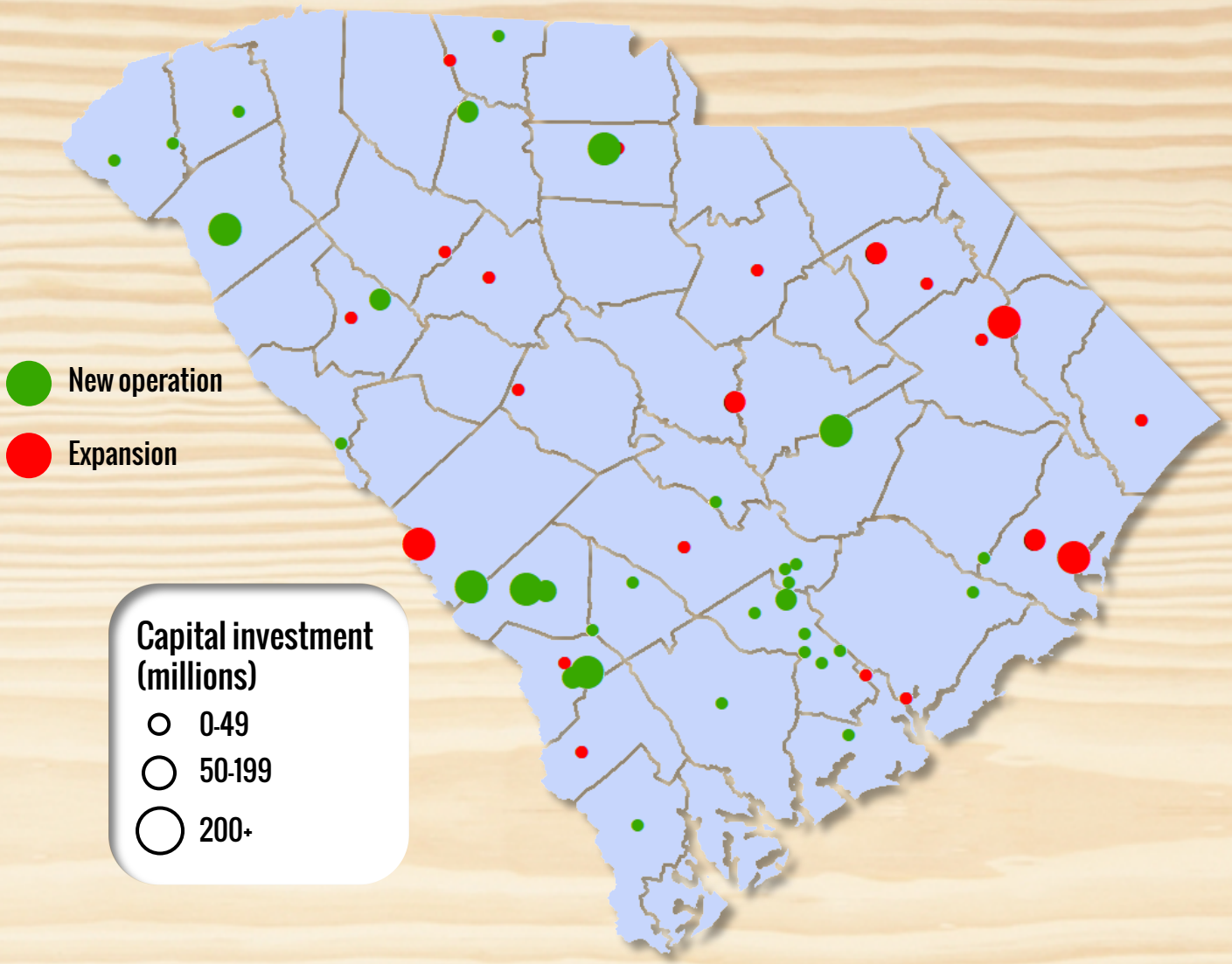
Date	Company	Investment ($M)	Jobs
Oct 18	GP OSB Mill	$4.5	0
Aug 18	Interfor	$40	7
July 18	Jasper Pellet Company	$8.1	27
Jan 18	Tree Brand Packaging	$1.3	28
Feb 18	Kapstone Paper & Packaging	$6	0
Mar 18	Charles Ingram Lumber	$33	22
Mar 18	Low Country Case & Millwork	$7	10
May 18	Canfor Southern Pine	$40	0
May 18	Universal Forest Products	$6.1	120
Nov 17	WestRock	$410	0
Sep 17	Collum's Lumber Products	$2	10

Total capital investment for FY2017-18 – FY2018-19:

$558 million / 224 new jobs

SOUTH CAROLINA FORESTRY COMMISSION

RECENT ANNOUNCEMENTS/EXPANSIONS



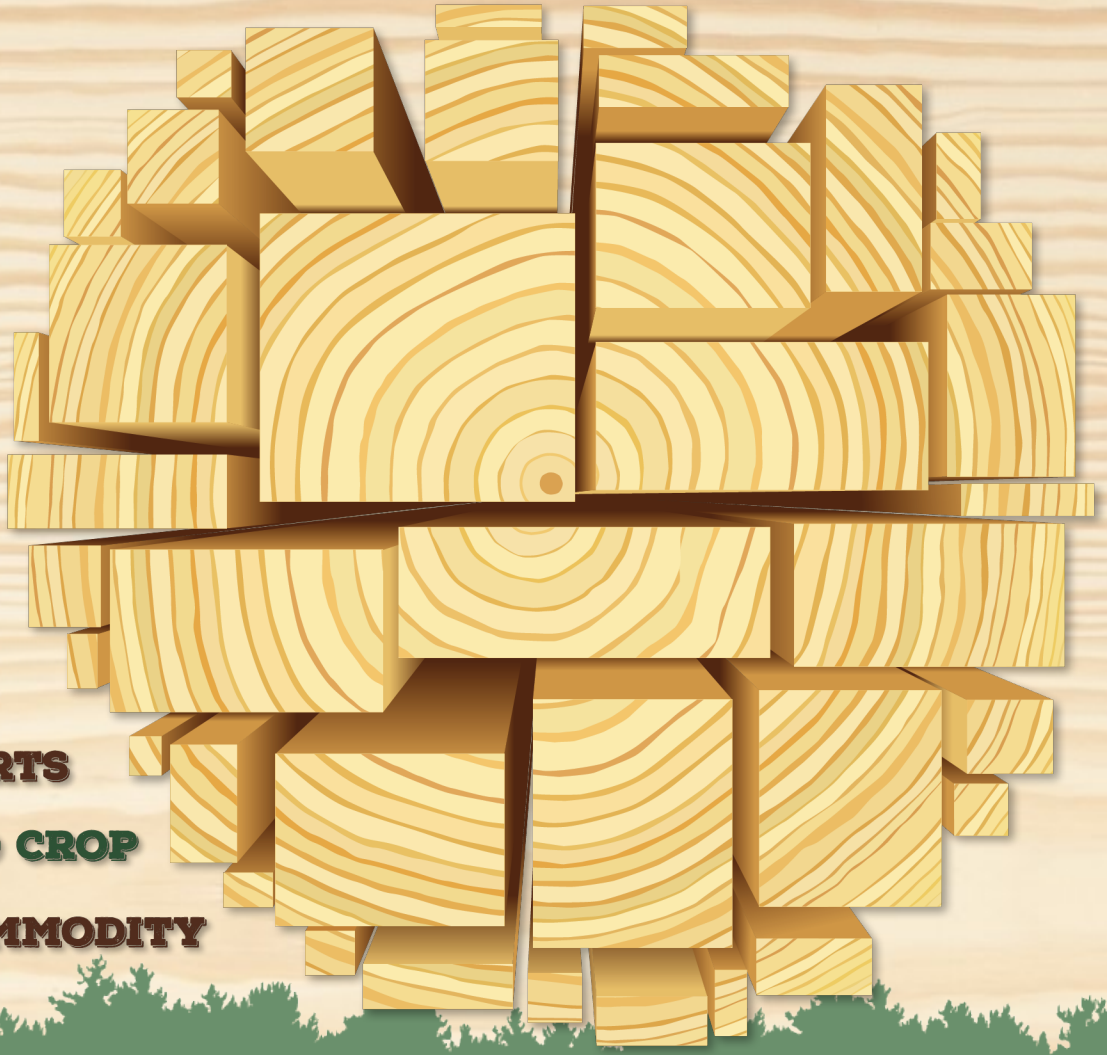
From 2004 - present

- 103 forest product announcements
- 17 greenfield mills (11 primary, 6 secondary)
- 10 sawmill expansions/upgrades
- >$6 billion in capital investment
- >5,600 new jobs

SOUTH CAROLINA FORESTRY COMMISSION

SC FORESTRY'S ECONOMIC IMPACT

21 BILLION DOLLAR
ECONOMIC IMPACT ON SOUTH CAROLINA



- >84,000 JOBS
- $1.3B IN EXPORTS
- #1 HARVESTED CROP
- #1 EXPORT COMMODITY

HURRICANE FLORENCE

RESPONSE

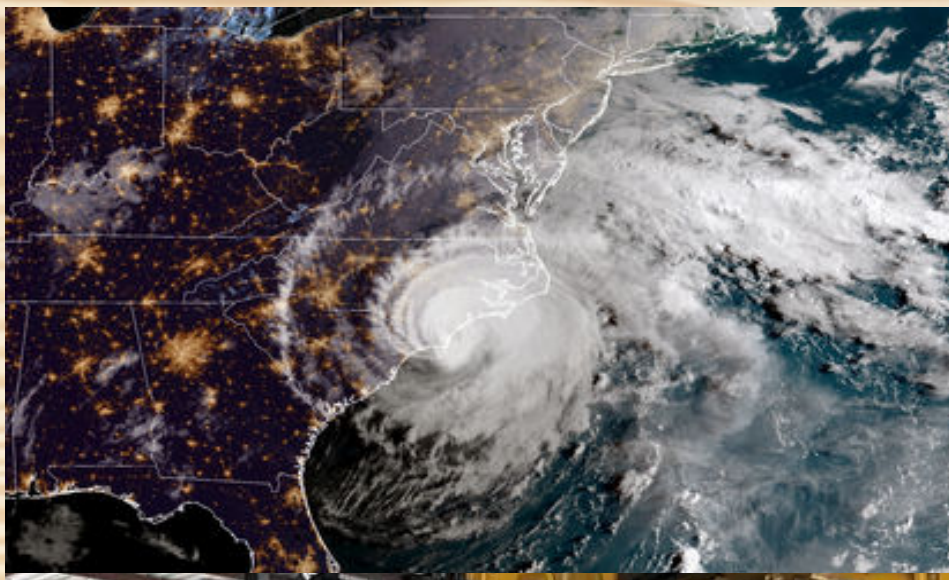
- Burning ban
- Round-the-clock staffing at SEOC
- LE & Aviation assisted with lane reversals and reconnaissance
- Chainsaw strike teams
- Incident management team deployed 3 times

ASSESSMENT

- Began assessing damage after storm by air, by ground and by consultation with foresters, loggers, mills, etc.

DAMAGE/IMPACTS

- Timber damage/loss very minimal
- Flooding major issue, causing damage mostly to infrastructure
- Seedling mortality very minimal
- Downtime at mills



SCFC/ARBORGEN PARTNERSHIP

Public/private partnership with ArborGen to deliver advanced-genetics seedlings to timberland owners:

- ↑ production (30 million seedlings)
- Greater selection of seedlings
- Retains SC genetics
- Enhanced customer service
- Discounts for SC landowners

Release
from the South Carolina Forestry Commission

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:
Tuesday, Feb. 27, 2018

CONTACT:
Doug Wood, SCFC Director of Communications
(803) 968-1576 | DWood@scfc.gov

SCFC unites with ArborGen on Taylor Nursery reboot

Customers to see infrastructure improvements, increased production at the agency's tree nursery

TRENTON, S.C.—The South Carolina Forestry Commission has entered into a partnership with commercial forestry seedling provider ArborGen, which will provide management services to operate the agency's 60-year-old tree nursery in Edgefield County.

The collaboration represents a unique public-private partnership in which ArborGen will use Taylor Nursery as a production facility for its portfolio of seedling genetics while the Commission will retain ownership of the property. As part of the arrangement, ArborGen will also make a substantial investment in modernizing the nursery's equipment and infrastructure, including irrigation systems, storage coolers, and seeding and harvesting equipment.

The facility and its seedlings will undergo a co-branding effort as part of the deal, and the Forestry Commission will determine seedling production goals – up to 5 million – for South Carolina landowners, who are eligible to receive discounts on orders up to 100,000 seedlings.

"We're very excited about this association with ArborGen, which is known globally as a leader in the research, development and delivery of advanced-genetic seedlings," said SCFC Resource Development Director Tim Adams. "In addition to expanding seedling production through capital improvements, this partnership will also strengthen service delivery and long-term viability of the Forestry Commission's nursery and tree improvement program."

ArborGen will assume responsibility for operation of Taylor Nursery effective April 1, 2018.

Taylor Nursery's customers stand to benefit most from the partnership between the Forestry Commission and ArborGen. Not only will landowners see increased production and greater selection variety, but also enhanced customer service.

###

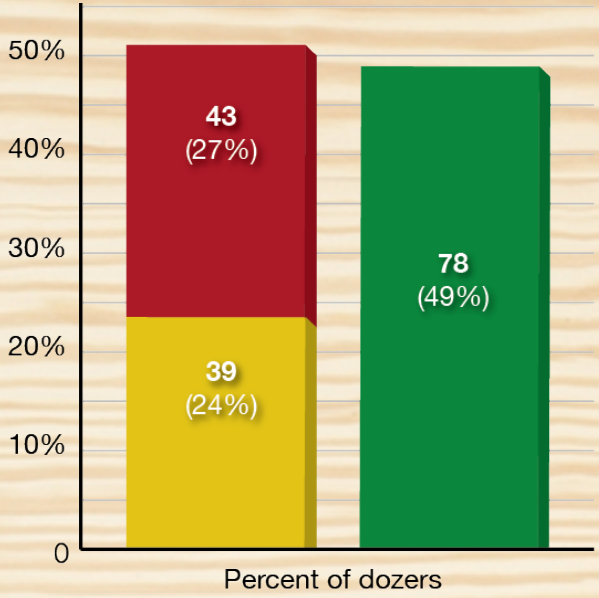
The South Carolina Forestry Commission
In addition to being recreational hotspots for hiking, biking, hunting, camping and horseback r... forests for ecological responsibility and productivity. The state's second-largest manufacturing... generates a $21 billion impact on South Carolina's econ... information, please... the lands are demons... ages, forestry

ArborGen
...quartered in Ridgeville, S.C. ... the last ... est indus...

SCFC JOINS NCSU TREE IMPROVEMENT CO-OP

As a full member of the cooperative, we again have access to loblolly pine germplasm that is needed for establishment of future orchards.

SAFETY IS PRIORITY #1

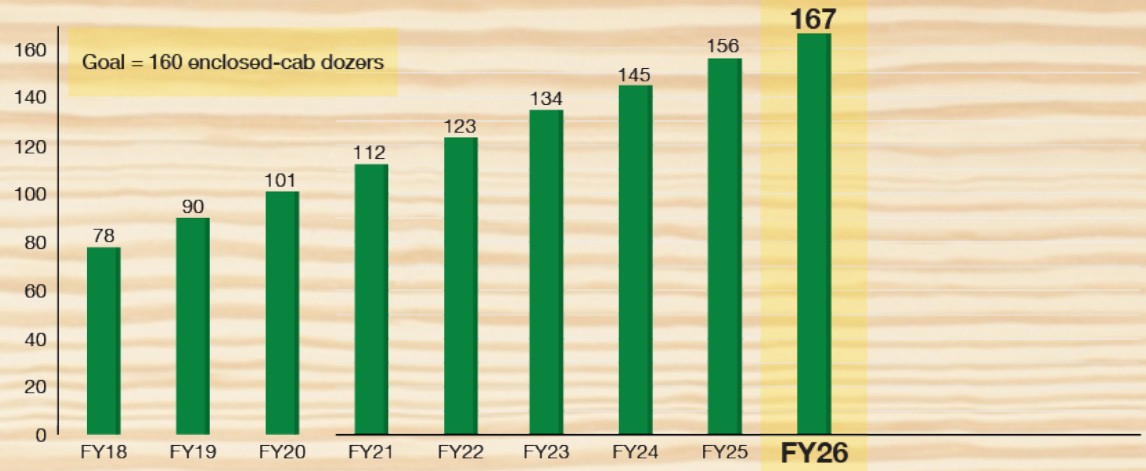


SCFC Firefighting Dozers, By Service Life Category FY2018

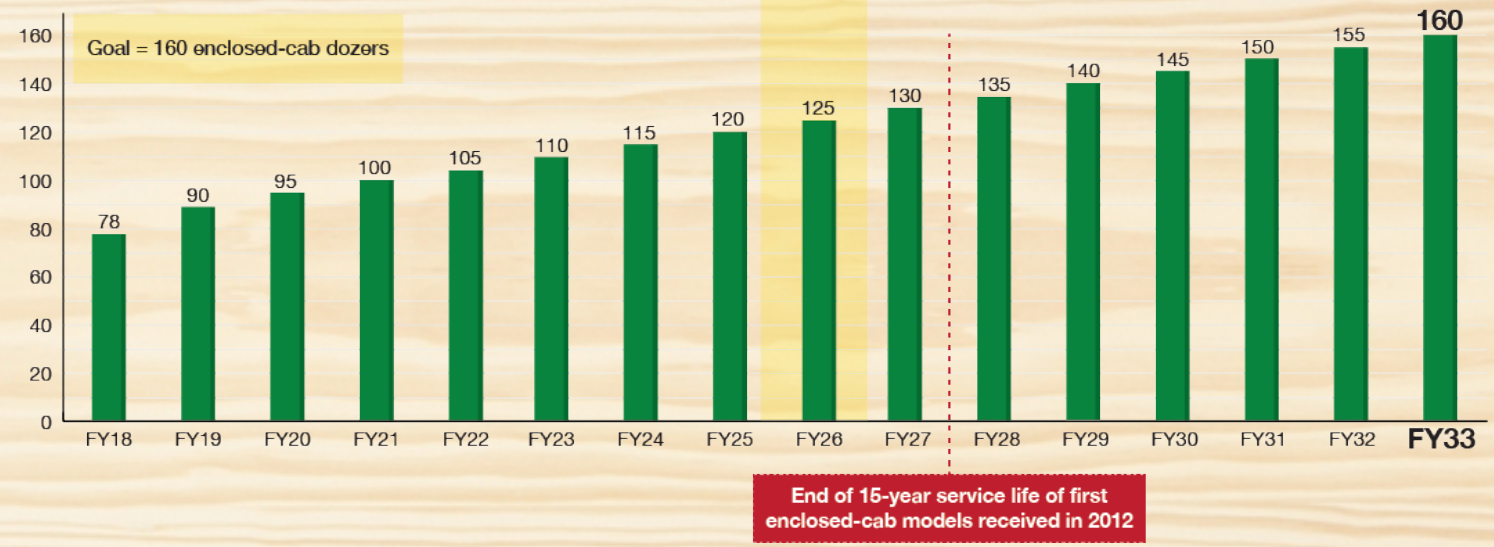
- 43 open-cab dozers exceeding 15-year service life
- 39 open-cab dozers within 15-year service life
- 78 enclosed-cab dozers within 15-year service life

SAFETY IS PRIORITY #1

Projected # Of Enclosed-Cab Dozers With Act 273 Funding + $2 Million In Recurring Funds



Projected # Of Enclosed-Cab Dozers With Act 273 Funding Only



SOUTH CAROLINA FORESTRY COMMISSION

SERVING THE FORESTRY COMMUNITY