



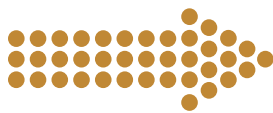
Good Neighbor Authority: A WAY TO HEALTHIER FORESTS

When properly and actively managed, forests provide a wealth of benefits, including clean drinking water for over 68,000 American communities, millions of recreational and job opportunities, and critical wildlife habitat.

Good Neighbor Authority (GNA) allows the USDA Forest Service to enter into agreements with state forestry agencies to implement watershed restoration and forest management projects on national forest system lands when the Forest Service cannot do the work alone.

Since GNA was first authorized by Congress with the 2014 Farm Bill, 32 states have broken ground on more than 130 GNA projects. Through these GNA projects, states are contributing to the restoration of federal forests on a scale never before realized.

As a result of GNA's success, Congress expanded its authorities to allow necessary road reconstruction and repairs (with the FY18 appropriations omnibus) and to empower counties and tribes to enter into GNA agreements (with the 2018 Farm Bill).



**It is simply good government for forest management to be undertaken in the most timely and cost-efficient manner.
Good Neighbor Authority helps us do that.**

