NWOS Pre-Notice Letter

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Dear Landowner:

Within the next few days, you should receive a questionnaire in the mail from the National Woodland Owner Survey. You are one of only a few landowners who will receive it. The questionnaire is designed to give you an opportunity to let policy makers, land managers, and public and private service providers better understand your concerns.

We invite you to participate in the survey by completing the questionnaire when it arrives. Your participation is voluntary. All responses will be held in strict confidentiality.

If you have any questions regarding the Survey, please call us toll-free at 1-855-233-3372, write us at USDA Forest Service, National Woodland Owner Survey, 160 Holdsworth Way, Amherst, MA 01003, or visit our website at www.fia.fs.usda.gov/nwos/.

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