

Forestry Facts for Kids

What is Forestry?

- The science or practice of; planting, managing or caring for forests.
- Forestry = Trees

Forestry is a Big Part of Jeff Davis County

- Nearly 152,000 acres of the county is covered in trees
- Jeff Davis is also home to a couple of Georgia Department of Natural Resources –Wildlife Management Areas
- Bullard Creek is 14,000 acres
- Flat Tub is over 7,000 acres

Forestry is a Big Part of GEORGIA

- Georgia is the #1 forestry state in the nation
- Georgia's forests grow 64 cubic feet or 2 tons of wood per second
- Georgia accounts for 21 percent of all U.S. exports of pulp and paper

Trees Make Lots of Things We Use:

- Wood – homes – instruments - furniture
- Paper – toilet paper – paper towels
- Gum
- Chemicals
- Toothpaste
- Aspirin

Discover How Paper is Made:

- Trees are harvested and taken to the mill.
- Large machines strip away the bark and shred the logs into millions of chips.
- They then go into giant pulp cookers where steam and chemicals are added.
- The pulp is then cleaned and dyes and other things are added in.
- It is so small now it is pumped thru a pipe and sprayed on a wide conveyor wire screen to be heated and dried into paper.

Making Recycled Paper at Home:

- You will need, a blender, hot water, some paper scraps, old window screen or grease screen and cookie sheet. Dye and cookie cutters are optional.
- Tear up paper into small strips and soak it in warm water for 30 minutes.
- Put a handful of the paper in a blender with about 2 cups of warm water.
- Blend until pulpy you may need to add extra water.
- Transfer to smaller bowl with warm water – add dye if you like
- Place screen over a cookie sheet
- Put small handfuls of the paper mixture onto the screen. If you want your paper in different shapes place inside a cookie cutter.
- Keep mushing the paper mixture down to flatten as it dries.

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