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# Storm and Fire Damage Resources

recommended by the GFC

Catastrophic weather and fire events can change the complexion of our forests in minutes. In the aftermath we may find ourselves evaluating the resource and searching for information about options. The following listings are intended to provide forest landowners with resources that can help with education and decisions following fires or storms and the damage they leave behind.

## **TIMBERLAND WIND / ICE DAMAGE:**

How to Evaluate and Manage Storm-Damaged Forest Areas:

[http://www.fs.fed.us/r8/foresthealth/pubs/storm\\_damage/contents.html](http://www.fs.fed.us/r8/foresthealth/pubs/storm_damage/contents.html)

Evaluating wind / ice damaged stands:

[http://www.forestry.uqa.edu/outreach/pubs/pdf/forestry/assessing\\_tornado\\_damaged\\_forest\\_stands\\_5-30-08\\_1.pdf](http://www.forestry.uqa.edu/outreach/pubs/pdf/forestry/assessing_tornado_damaged_forest_stands_5-30-08_1.pdf)

Wind Wood Utilization (this contains numerous documents and beneficial links):

<http://www.windwoodutilization.org/salvage.asp>

## **URBAN AND HAZARD TREE SAFETY:**

<http://www.gatrees.org/community-forests/management/trees-storm-safety/>

Excellent site for storm damage, with an urban forestry angle:

<http://hort.ifas.ufl.edu/treesandhurricanes/>

## **TAXES:**

National Timber Tax website (Master Index has good list of subject areas):

<http://www.timbertax.org/>

## **TIMBER SALES:**

General information:

<http://www.gatrees.org/forest-management/private-forest-management/timber-selling/>

Landowners are encouraged to utilize professional foresters and arborists to help with decisions about timber management or to evaluate potentially hazardous trees around homes and an urban environment. Seeking independent advice is often the best way to insure you aren't reacting to an unfortunate event, rather than considering all available options.