

Chris Adams, ACF, TAF

Education

Bachelor of Science in Forest Management – 1999

Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas

Professional Positions

➤ Principal/Senior Forester (2025-Present) – Conservation Equity Partners/Vision Forestry

Support for client and project development, resource management planning, implementation and oversight including conventional and non-conventional natural resource services for multiple landowner classes that within the private, public and investment sectors.

➤ Owner (2020-2025) – Vision Forestry, LLC

Developed a consulting firm that specializes in rural land management and valuation with a focus on timberland and recreational uses for private forest landowners, timberland investment groups, lending institutions, land trusts, municipalities and federal/state agencies throughout Texas & Louisiana totaling approximately 40,000 acres.

➤ Relationship Manager – (2018-2020) - Texas Farm Credit

Lending development, evaluation and processing at the Nacogdoches Branch. The portfolio focused on timber and agricultural lending and facilitation for farmers, ranchers and timberland owners within the East Texas areas.

➤ Forestry Operations Manager (2002-2018) – Advanced Ecology, Ltd. / Bird Forestry

Responsible for the day to day oversight of forest resource management and analysis activities on approximately 200,000 acres of privately owned forestlands across Texas, Louisiana, Mississippi and Arkansas that range from 10 to 10,000 acres in size. This includes forest inventories and appraisals, timber trespass and timber damage assessments, timber sale preparation, administration and oversight, forest management plans, reforestation setup and oversight, electronic management system updates, GIS mapping, and GPS applications for private landowners, as well as conservation, municipal, state and federal entities.

➤ Forest Specialist (2001-2002) – Texas Agriculture Extension – Overton Research Station

Work in the public sector involved planning demonstration forests and educational programs for the private forest landowner, forest professionals and enthusiasts at the local, state and national levels through 4-H groups, the Master Tree Farmer Program and Project Learning Tree.

➤ Forester (2000-2001) – Burditt & Associates

Assisted the senior foresters with timber cruising, timber marking, boundary line maintenance, harvesting set up, contracting and logging contractor supervision.

Organizations

- Member of Association of Consulting Foresters
 - Texas Chapter Chair – 2013 to 2017
 - Texas Chapter Vice-Chair – 2010 to 2013
 - Texas Chapter Secretary - Present
 - Texas Chapter Annual Meeting Committee – 2017 - Present
 - National Education Committee Chair – 2013 to 2018
 - National Education Committee Member – 2013- Present
 - National Member Benefits Committee Chair – 2018 - Current
 - National Gulf Region Director & Executive Committee – 2023-2026
 - National President Elect & Executive Committee – 2026 - Current
 - ACF Business Academy Alumni – 2021 (Pilot Program)

- Member Texas Forestry Association
 - Board of Directors – 2016 to 2019
 - Annual Meeting Committee Member - 2018 – Present
 - Education & Outreach Committee Chair – 2021 – Present
 - Executive Board – 2024-Present
 - Forestry Works Curriculum Committee (2025)

- Member Texas Accredited Foresters Council – Accredited Forester (#13)
 - Founding Council Member
 - Board of Directors – 2016 to Present
 - Vice Chairman – 2018 – 2019
 - Chairman – 2019-2021

- Texas Stewardship Coordinating Committee
 - Committee Member - 2013 to 2018

Certifications

- Texas Appraiser Trainee – No. TX 1342040 Trainee
 - Income Approach II for General Appraisers - 30 hour Equivalent – ASFRMA
 - Income Approach I for General Appraisers - 30 hour Equivalent – ASFRMA
 - Sales Comparison Approach for General Appraisers - 30 hour Equivalent – ASFRMA
 - Online General Report Writing & Case Studies - 30 hour Equivalent – Appraisal Institute
 - Online Basic Appraisal Principles and Exam - 30 hour Equivalent – Appraisal Institute
 - Online Basic Appraisal Procedures and Exam - 30 hour Equivalent - Appraisal Institute
 - Online USPAP Course and Exam - 15 hour Equivalent – Appraisal Institute
 - Supervisor Trainee Course for Texas

- American Tree Farm System – Tree Farm Inspector

- Technical Service Provider – USDA Natural Resource Conservation Service

Instructor

- Stephen F. Austin State University
 - ACF Consulting Forestry Course (FOR 470/501)
 - Course Topic Instructor – Alternative Forestry Consulting Business, Timber Valuation Approaches, Forest Management -2013 – Present

- Association of Consulting Foresters - Practice of Consulting Foresters Course
 - Course Topic Instructor – Ethics Review Panel, Membership Qualifications, Valuation Technology

- American Society of Farm Managers and Rural Appraisers and Farm Credit Bank of Texas
 - Timber Property Valuation Course

Chirs Adams is the founder of Visions Forestry, LLC which is a natural resource consulting firm located in Lufkin, Texas that strives to meet landowner goals and directives for both conventional and non-conventional multi-resource management projects that include forestland and conservation/mitigation projects.

A practicing forester for more than 25 years within multiple aspects of forest resource management utilizing the latest technology (forest resource assessments/valuations, multi-resource planning, forest product sales, reforestation, tax basis analyses, baseline assessments, expert witness and financial analyses) for private forest landowners, timberland investment groups, lending institutions, land trusts, municipalities and federal/state agencies throughout Texas & Louisiana.

Additional experience includes planning, implementation and reporting on large scale resource valuation projects (emphasis on timberland) in conjunction with rural land appraisals for real estate acquisitions and dispositions throughout the south.

Mr. Adams received his Texas Appraiser Trainee Certification in July 2019 and has been obtaining appraiser training hours with the assistance of Lewis & Seely Appraisals, Inc.