



# Environmental STEWARDSHIP **Wildlife at Work**



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Within sight of large pulp and paper mills making thousands of tons a year of cellulose, tissue and containerboard products, the threatened gopher tortoise thrives, longleaf pine habitat is being restored and the American chestnut is getting a new lease on life. It's all part of the work being done at Georgia-Pacific mills that participate in the Wildlife Habitat Council's (WHC) **Wildlife at Work<sup>SM</sup>** program.

Created in 1988, WHC helps companies and other landowners manage their lands for the benefit of wildlife as well as conservation education. The Wildlife at Work program supports and certifies company efforts to create, restore and enhance wildlife habitat on their lands.

Participating in programs like Wildlife at Work reflects Georgia-Pacific's commitment to our communities by being a good steward of our natural resources and the environment.

## **Rincon (Savannah River), Georgia**

Certified Since 2008

The Savannah River consumer products mill designates green space on the mill site that serves as home to a wide variety of species including beavers, southern leopard frogs, eastern wild turkeys, slender glass lizards and gopher tortoises.

Working with subject matter experts, the Savannah River mill team has developed a wildlife management plan that focuses on enhancing nesting and feeding habitat for birds and bats, managing forest stands to benefit gopher tortoises, and enhancing aquatic habitat in ponds.

The team has installed motion-activated cameras in wildlife areas in order to view nocturnal visitors, such

as nine-banded armadillo and white-tailed deer. Employees also monitor nest boxes for bluebirds, Carolina chickadees and wood ducks.

A key focus of the mill's program is to help restore native longleaf pine habitat. Approximately 48,000 longleaf pine seedlings were planted on 100 acres of mill property in 2010. Wildlife team members are monitoring the success of the seedlings. As the seedlings grow and mature, this area will become suitable habitat for gopher tortoises, eastern wild turkeys, northern bobwhite, eastern indigo snakes, and potentially red-cockaded woodpeckers.

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# Savannah RIVER MILL Wildlife Habitat Area

The Savannah River mill site is home to:

- 59 tree species
- 33 plant species
- 131 bird species
- 12 species of mammals

Mill team members have installed **28** wood duck boxes and **41** bluebird houses on the property.

