

Talk on Forest Bank

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How can we protect the forest in private ownership all around us, and yet see our neighbors earn some needed cash? One answer lies in a program of the Natural Conservancy called the Clinch River Forest Bank.

The landowner will retain ownership of the land itself, just as with a conservation easement, the Forest Bank will pay the landowner a guaranteed annual dividend based on the value of his or her initial deposit.

Ron Lambert of the Nature Conservancy's Office in Sneedville will explain the details of the Forest Bank at the Friends of the Clinch Powell Rivers' monthly meeting on March 16, 7 p.m. at Clinch School in Eidson. For more information or directions call Nancy Bell at 272-6342.