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SHARP Logger Program -- 2020 Annual Report
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❖ Since the program began in 1996, over 4,300 individuals have completed the core program to become SHARP loggers. These individuals represent the vast majority of all logging capacity in Virginia.

❖ The SHARP logger program strives to offer a broad variety of Continuing Education (CE) classes tailored to local needs. Training opportunities include both face to face classes and online training options.   SHARP Loggers are required to attend a "SHARP Logger Update" workshop at least once during each 3-year renewal period:
   o This required SHARP Logger Update Class was offered in-person once (Lynchburg, 2/21/20), live-online once (Zoom, 3/15/20), and on-demand online beginning 8/30/20.

❖ A total of 626 individuals received SHARP Logger credit for at least one approved training during 2020.

❖ The complete Core SHARP Logger Program was offered 3 times (Courtland, Patrick County Hybrid, and All-Virtual) with a total of 81 new SHARP Loggers completing the core program requirements in 2020.

❖ A total of 377 SHARP Loggers had a renewal date of 1/1/21; 155 earned at least 12 CE credits and attended the required update class to renew their SHARP Logger status while 222 did not meet the CE requirement and were dropped from the list of current SHARP Loggers.

❖ On January 1, 2021 there were 1,072 current Virginia SHARP Loggers. Many of the individuals dropped on 1/1/20 will likely regain their SHARP logger status during 2021.

❖ The Virginia SHARP Logger Program continues to be a **cooperative effort** between the VA SFI Implementation Committee, the Virginia Tech Department of Forest Resources & Environmental Conservation, Virginia Cooperative Extension, the Virginia Forestry Association, the Virginia Logger's Association, the Virginia Department of Forestry, as well as many other forest products companies, state agencies, insurance industry firms, loggers and private landowners. These supporters provided training expertise, financial support, facilities, and field sites for SHARP Logger programs. **Without the help of everyone involved, the SHARP Logger Program could not succeed.**

VIRGINIA SHARP Logger Training Summary 2020

SHARP Loggers trained in 2020	Individuals
Completed Core Program / Received SHARP Logger Standing in 2020	81
Attended 1 or more Core programs, but did not complete in 2020	10
Received SHARP Logger credit for at least one program in 2020	626

Summary of current SHARP Loggers	Individuals
Received SHARP Logger Standing to date	4384
Dropped from current listing on 1/1/21 & have 1 year to renew SHARP status	222
Permanently dropped from listing on 1/1/2021	237
Current SHARP Logger status, but known to be retired/out of business	2
Active SHARP Loggers on 1/1/21	**1072**

2020 SHARP Logger CE Classes Offered

Required "SHARP Logger Update" Classes (Lynchburg, Live Online, On-Demand Online)	3
Legal Issues: COVID-19 Edition	1
Safety Seminar (Keystone Truck & Tractor Museum)	1
Total 1-credit, on-demand, online trainings available	10

Total SHARP Logger Training Contact Hours*

Total training contact hours for Core & CE Programs	4039

Total training contact hours
* Contact Hours = Number of attendees x program hours