



Terry Baker
CEO
Society of American Foresters

Terry Baker is the CEO of the Society of American Foresters. He oversees all of SAF's programs and collaborates with his Board of Directors to establish a strategic vision committed to the scientific sustainable management of America's forests. He strives to build strong relationships partners that leverage our unified voice as a profession. Terry serves on the Sustainable Forestry Initiative (SFI) board of directors to maintain the presence of forestry professionals in sustainable certifications.

Prior to his selection as SAF CEO in September 2018, Terry served in various roles within the USDA Forest Service. His almost 20-year federal career started in his home state of Florida on the Apalachicola National Forest. From there, he held positions on several other national forests in the western and southeastern US. He has been a wildland fire fighter, forester, and administrator of over 1 million acres.

Baker earned a master's degree in forest management and policy from Yale University in 2007, a bachelor's degree in forest resources and conservation at the University of Florida in 2004 and was honored by UF as one of their 40 under 40 alumni in 2019. He also holds a bachelor's degree in agricultural sciences from Florida A&M University.

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