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Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

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Form Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

A For the 2024 calendar year, or tax year beginning 01-01-2024, and ending 12-31-2024

B Check if applicable: Address change, Name change, Initial return, Final return/terminated, Amended return, Application pending. C Name of organization: SOCIETY OF AMERICAN FORESTERS. D Employer identification number: 53-0204630. E Telephone number: (202) 938-3910. F Name and address of principal officer: TERRY BAKER, 2121 K ST NW 315, WASHINGTON, DC 20037. G Gross receipts \$ 7,608,106. H(a) Is this a group return for subordinates? No. H(b) Are all subordinates included? No. I Tax-exempt status: 501(c)(3). J Website: WWW.EFORESTER.ORG. K Form of organization: Corporation. L Year of formation: 1926. M State of legal domicile: DC.

Part I Summary

Table with 4 columns: Description, Prior Year, Current Year, and Net Assets or Fund Balances. Rows include: 1 Mission statement, 2-7a Activities & Governance, 8-12 Revenue, 13-19 Expenses, 20-22 Net Assets or Fund Balances.

Part II Signature Block

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

Sign Here: Signature of officer TERRY BAKER, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, Date 2025-11-13. Paid Preparer Use Only: Print/Type preparer's name UHY ADVISORS MID-ATLANTIC INC, Preparer's signature, Date 2025-11-12, Firm's name UHY ADVISORS MID-ATLANTIC INC, Firm's address 8601 ROBERT FULTON DRIVE SUITE 210, COLUMBIA, MD 21046.

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? See Instructions. Yes No

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part III

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission:

THE MISSION OF THE SOCIETY OF AMERICAN FORESTERS IS TO ADVANCE SUSTAINABLE MANAGEMENT OF FOREST RESOURCES THROUGH SCIENCE, EDUCATION, AND TECHNOLOGY, PROMOTING PROFESSIONAL EXCELLENCE WHILE ENSURING THE CONTINUED HEALTH, INTEGRITY, AND USE OF FORESTS TO BENEFIT SOCIETY IN PERPETUITY.

2 Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed on the prior Form 990 or 990-EZ? Yes No

If "Yes," describe these new services on Schedule O.

3 Did the organization cease conducting, or make significant changes in how it conducts, any program services? Yes No

If "Yes," describe these changes on Schedule O.

4 Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses. Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations are required to report the amount of grants and allocations to others, the total expenses, and revenue, if any, for each program service reported.

4a (Code:) (Expenses \$ 2,412,032 including grants of \$ 87,374) (Revenue \$) GOVERNMENT GRANT AND OTHER PROGRAMS: THE SOCIETY OFFERS OTHER PROGRAMS IN SERVICE OF ITS MEMBERSHIP AND OF THE PROFESSION. THE SOCIETY AWARDS GRANTS TO AFFILIATED STATE SOCIETIES FOR INNOVATIVE PROJECTS AND ACTIVITIES THAT BENEFIT THE PROFESSION. SOCIETY ALSO AWARDS GRANTS IN THE AREAS OF INDUSTRY LEADERSHIP, DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, COMMUNICATIONS, PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT, AND STUDENT LEADERSHIP.

4b (Code:) (Expenses \$ 853,426 including grants of \$ 11,663) (Revenue \$) MEMBERSHIP SERVICES: THE SOCIETY'S MEMBERSHIP PROGRAM SERVES SOCIETY MEMBERS BY ENSURING THAT THEY RECEIVE TIMELY, HIGH QUALITY, AND HIGHLY VALUED SERVICES. THE PROGRAM IS RESPONSIBLE FOR RECRUITING, ENGAGING, RETAINING MEMBERS, PROVIDING CUSTOMER SERVICE, MANAGING PROFESSIONAL RECOGNITION, AND STATE SOCIETY COMPLIANCE. MARKETING AND OUTREACH: THE SOCIETY'S MARKETING AND OUTREACH EFFORTS CONSTITUTE A COMPREHENSIVE COMMUNICATIONS PROGRAM THAT SPANS THE ORGANIZATION'S PORTFOLIO OF WORK AND AMPLIFIES THE VALUE OF THE FORESTRY PROFESSION ACROSS THE FOREST SECTOR AND BEYOND. THIS PROGRAM ENHANCES THE SOCIETY'S ONLINE PRESENCE AND BRAND RECOGNITION, WHILE RECRUITING FOR OUR CAUSE AND MAKING THE CASE FOR FOREST CLIMATE SOLUTIONS. STATE SOCIETIES: THROUGH ITS STATE SOCIETIES, DIVISIONS, AND CHAPTERS, THE SOCIETY SUPPORTS THE WORK OF 30 STATE SOCIETIES AND 141 CHAPTERS ACROSS THE US THAT PROVIDE VALUE, EDUCATION, NETWORKING, AND OTHER BENEFITS TO MEMBERS AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC. POLICY AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS: THE SOCIETY'S POLICY AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS PROGRAM WORKS WITH POLICYMAKERS, PARTNER ORGANIZATIONS, AND COALITIONS TO BUILD AWARENESS AND PROMOTE SCIENCE-BASED, SUSTAINABLE FOREST MANAGEMENT AND GIVE FORESTRY AND NATURAL RESOURCES PROFESSIONALS THE POLICY TOOLS, FUNDING, AND OTHER AUTHORITIES THEY NEED TO BE SUCCESSFUL. THROUGH THE POLICY AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS PROGRAM, THE SOCIETY ALSO ORGANIZES STAKEHOLDER MEETINGS FUNDED BY GOVERNMENT GRANTS TO CONVENE THE SECTOR AND BENEFIT THE BROADER FORESTRY COMMUNITY. #FORESTPROUD: THE SOCIETY'S #FORESTPROUD PROGRAM IS THE FOREST SECTOR'S GREATEST COMMUNICATIONS ASSET. WHEN #FORESTPROUD WAS LAUNCHED, ITS GOAL WAS TO BRING THE FOREST SECTOR TOGETHER TO BETTER TELL THE STORY OF WHO WE ARE, WHAT WE DO, AND WHY WE ARE PROUD OF WHAT WE CONTRIBUTE TO OUR COMMUNITIES AND ECOSYSTEMS. TOGETHER, WE BUILT THE #FORESTPROUD COMMUNITY. AND TODAY, WE ARE BETTER POSITIONED TO ELEVATE TRUSTED VOICES WITHIN THE SECTOR, PROMOTE SUSTAINABLE FORESTRY PRACTICES, AND INCREASE OPPORTUNITIES FOR PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT WITH THE SECTOR AT SCALE.

4c (Code:) (Expenses \$ 788,660 including grants of \$ 18,000) (Revenue \$) CONVENTIONS AND MEETINGS: THE SOCIETY'S CONVENTIONS AND MEETINGS PROGRAM IS THE PROGRAM THROUGH WHICH THE SOCIETY PLANS AND HOSTS ITS ANNUAL CONVENTION AND OTHER EVENTS PROMOTING THE PROFESSION. THE SOCIETY'S ANNUAL CONVENTION BRINGS TOGETHER FORESTRY AND NATURAL RESOURCES STUDENTS, PRACTITIONERS, ACADEMICS, AND VENDORS EACH YEAR TO SHARE KNOWLEDGE AND RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN THE FORESTRY FIELD, AND TO OFFER NETWORKING AND CAREER DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES.

(Code:) (Expenses \$ 652,730 including grants of \$) (Revenue \$) SCIENCE, EDUCATION, AND CREDENTIALING: THE SOCIETY'S SCIENCE AND EDUCATION PROGRAM WORKS TO PROTECT AND TO PROMOTE THE FIELD OF FORESTRY BY CREATING AND MAINTAINING EDUCATIONAL STANDARDS AND PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATION PROGRAMS, AND BY PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE MEANS FOR IDENTIFYING SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY NEEDS AND ENGAGING IN ISSUES RELATED TO FOREST SCIENCE AND FOREST RESOURCE MANAGEMENT. PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT: THROUGH THE SCIENCE AND EDUCATION PROGRAM, THE SOCIETY DELIVERS ITS PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM, WHICH OFFERS AND ACCREDITS INDUSTRY PROFESSIONALS CONTINUING EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES, THROUGH IN-PERSON AND ONLINE LEARNING CONTENT, TO DEVELOP THEIR SKILLS AND KNOWLEDGE. IN ADDITION, THIS PROGRAM WORKS WITH THE USDA FOREST SERVICE TO PROVIDE GRANT-FUNDED CONSERVATION EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES TO JOB CORPS SITES ACROSS THE COUNTRY. CERTIFICATION: THE SOCIETY CURRENTLY HAS THREE SEPARATE PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATION PROGRAMS TO ASSIST PROFESSIONALS IN THEIR CAREER GROWTH NO MATTER WHICH SECTOR OF FORESTRY THEY WORK IN. ALL CERTIFICATION PROGRAMS ALSO HAVE A CANDIDACY LEVEL TO ALLOW CERTIFIED INDIVIDUALS TO PROVIDE EVIDENCE OF THEIR CONTINUED DEVELOPMENT AS THEY WORK TOWARD THE REQUIREMENTS TO EARN THE FULL DESIGNATION. THE PROGRAM CREATES AND ADMINISTERS COMPETENCY EXAMS FOR PROFESSIONALS WISHING TO BECOME CERTIFIED THROUGH THE SOCIETY, OR LICENSED THROUGH STATE PROGRAMS, AND EVALUATES CANDIDATE ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS. IN ADDITION, THIS PROGRAM OVERSEES AND ASSIGNS CONTINUING FORESTRY EDUCATION CREDITS PROVIDED BY EXTERNAL PARTNERS. ACCREDITATION: THE SOCIETY ACCREDITS FORESTRY, URBAN FORESTRY, NATURAL RESOURCE AND ECOSYSTEM MANAGEMENT, AND FOREST TECHNOLOGY PROGRAMS AT INSTITUTIONS OF POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION.

(Code:) (Expenses \$ 398,822 including grants of \$) (Revenue \$) PUBLICATIONS: THE SOCIETY'S PUBLICATIONS PROGRAM SERVES THE FORESTRY PROFESSION BY PUBLISHING SCIENTIFIC, SCHOLARLY, AND EDITORIAL CONTENT IN PRINT AND DIGITAL PERIODICALS THAT COMMUNICATE SCIENCE, RESEARCH, POLICY, INDUSTRY NEWS, AND DEVELOPMENTS IN THE FIELD. ADDITIONALLY, THE PROGRAM WORKS WITH AUTHORS TO PUBLISH WORKS OF INTEREST TO OUR MEMBERS AND THE PROFESSION AT LARGE.

4d Other program services (Describe in Schedule O.) (Expenses \$ 1,046,552 including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

4e Total program service expenses 5,100,670

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules

Table with 3 columns: Question ID, Question Text, Yes, No. Rows include questions 1 through 21 regarding organizational requirements and reporting.

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

Table with 3 columns: Question ID, Question Text, and Yes/No columns. Rows include questions 22 through 38 regarding tax-exempt bond issues, excess benefit transactions, and other IRS filings.

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part V

Table with 3 columns: Question ID, Question Text, and Yes/No columns. Rows include questions 1a, 1b, and 1c regarding Form 1096, Forms W-2G, and gaming winnings.

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance (continued)

Main form area containing questions 2a through 17, including sub-questions like 2b, 3a, 3b, 4a, 5a, 5b, 5c, 6a, 6b, 7a, 7b, 7c, 7d, 7e, 7f, 7g, 7h, 8, 9a, 9b, 10a, 10b, 11a, 11b, 12a, 12b, 13a, 13b, 13c, 14a, 14b, 15, 16, 17. Includes instructions for filing requirements and references to other forms like Form 990-T, Form 8886-T, Form 8899, Form 720, Form 4720, and Form 6069.

Part VI Governance, Management, and Disclosure. For each "Yes" response to lines 2 through 7b below, and for a "No" response to lines 8a, 8b, or 10b below, describe the circumstances, processes, or changes in Schedule O. See instructions. Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VI



Section A. Governing Body and Management

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Rows include: 1a Enter the number of voting members... 1b Enter the number of voting members... 2 Did any officer, director, trustee... 3 Did the organization delegate control... 4 Did the organization make any significant changes... 5 Did the organization become aware... 6 Did the organization have members... 7a Did the organization have members... 7b Are any governance decisions... 8 Did the organization contemporaneously document... 8a The governing body... 8b Each committee... 9 Is there any officer, director, trustee...

Section B. Policies (This Section B requests information about policies not required by the Internal Revenue Code.)

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Rows include: 10a Did the organization have local chapters... 10b If "Yes," did the organization have written policies... 11a Has the organization provided a complete copy... 11b Describe on Schedule O the process... 12a Did the organization have a written conflict of interest policy... 12b Were officers, directors, or trustees... 12c Did the organization regularly and consistently monitor... 13 Did the organization have a written whistleblower policy... 14 Did the organization have a written document retention... 15 Did the process for determining compensation... 15a The organization's CEO... 15b Other officers or key employees... 16a Did the organization invest in, contribute assets to... 16b If "Yes," did the organization follow a written policy...

Section C. Disclosure

Table with 2 columns: Question, Answer. Rows include: 17 List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed DC 18 Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Form 1023... 19 Describe in Schedule O whether (and if so, how) the organization made its governing documents... 20 State the name, address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the organization's books and records: THE ORGANIZATION 2121 K ST NW 315 WASHINGTON, DC 20037 (202) 938-3910

Part VII Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VII

Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees

1a Complete this table for all persons required to be listed. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

- List all of the organization's **current** officers, directors, trustees (whether individuals or organizations), regardless of amount of compensation. Enter -0- in columns (D), (E), and (F) if no compensation was paid.

- List all of the organization's **current** key employees, if any. See the instructions for definition of "key employee."

- List the organization's five **current** highest compensated employees (other than an officer, director, trustee or key employee) who received reportable compensation (box 5 of Form W-2, box 6 of Form 1099-MISC, and/or box 1 of Form 1099-NEC) of more than \$100,000 from the organization and any related organizations.

- List all of the organization's **former** officers, key employees, or highest compensated employees who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.

- List all of the organization's **former directors or trustees** that received, in the capacity as a former director or trustee of the organization, more than \$10,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.

See the instructions for the order in which to list the persons above.

Check this box if neither the organization nor any related organization compensated any current officer, director, or trustee.

(A) Name and title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC/1099-NEC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC/1099-NEC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional Trustee;	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(1) REBECCA BARNARD PRESIDENT	5.00	X		X				0	0	0
(2) BETTINA RING VICE PRESIDENT	5.00	X		X				0	0	0
(3) SAM COOK IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT	5.00	X		X				0	0	0
(4) ED MORGAN BOARD MEMBER, DISTRICT 1	2.00	X						0	0	0
(5) RON BOLDENOW CF BOARD MEMBER, DISTRICT 2	2.00	X						0	0	0
(6) JOHN TODD BOARD MEMBER, DISTRICT 3	2.00	X						0	0	0
(7) GREG JOSTEN CF BOARD MEMBER, DISTRICT 4	2.00	X						0	0	0
(8) AMBER MARCHEL BOARD MEMBER, DISTRICT 5	2.00	X						0	0	0
(9) KAREN BENNETT PHD CF BOARD MEMBER, DISTRICT 6	2.00	X						0	0	0
(10) AARON COOK BOARD MEMBER, DISTRICT 7	2.00	X						0	0	0
(11) TONY DOSTER CF BOARD MEMBER, DISTRICT 8	2.00	X						0	0	0
(12) VICTOR FORD PHD CF BOARD MEMBER, DISTRICT 9	2.00	X						0	0	0
(13) SCOTT SAGER CF BOARD MEMBER, DISTRICT 10	2.00	X						0	0	0
(14) JASON HOLLAND BOARD MEMBER, DISTRICT 11	2.00	X						0	0	0
(15) TERRY BAKER CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER	40.00			X				275,100	0	18,419
(16) SUSANNE METZ CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER	40.00			X				129,953	0	32,794
(17) PAMELA GREEN CHIEF STRATEGY OFFICER	40.00			X				21,041	0	6,877

Part VIII Statement of Revenue

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VIII

Table with 5 columns: (A) Total revenue, (B) Related or exempt function revenue, (C) Unrelated business revenue, (D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512 - 514. Rows include Contributions, Gifts, Grants, and Other Amt Similar Amounts, Federated campaigns, Membership dues, Fundraising events, Related organizations, Government grants, All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above, Noncash contributions included in lines 1a - 1f, and Total.

Table for Program Service Revenue with columns for Business Code, (A) Total revenue, (B) Related or exempt function revenue, (C) Unrelated business revenue, and (D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512 - 514. Rows include Conventions and Meetings, Membership Dues, Publications, Science and Education, Advertising, and All other program service revenue.

Table for Other Revenue with columns for (A) Total revenue, (B) Related or exempt function revenue, (C) Unrelated business revenue, and (D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512 - 514. Rows include Investment income, Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds, Royalties, Gross rents, Rental income or (loss), Net rental income or (loss), Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory, Net gain or (loss), Gross income from fundraising events, Net income or (loss) from fundraising events, Gross income from gaming activities, Net income or (loss) from gaming activities, Gross sales of inventory, Less: cost of goods sold, and Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory.

Table for Other Revenue Misc Amt with columns for Business Code, (A) Total revenue, (B) Related or exempt function revenue, (C) Unrelated business revenue, and (D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512 - 514. Rows include MISCELLANEOUS, All other revenue, and Total.

Part IX Statement of Functional Expenses

Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations must complete all columns. All other organizations must complete column (A).

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part IX

Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.	(A) Total expenses	(B) Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
1 Grants and other assistance to domestic organizations and domestic governments. See Part IV, line 21	61,987	61,987		
2 Grants and other assistance to domestic individuals. See Part IV, line 22	55,050	55,050		
3 Grants and other assistance to foreign organizations, foreign governments, and foreign individuals. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16.				
4 Benefits paid to or for members				
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	484,184	407,373	61,572	15,239
6 Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)				
7 Other salaries and wages	1,744,515	1,467,764	221,842	54,909
8 Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions)	52,317	44,017	6,653	1,647
9 Other employee benefits	311,214	261,842	39,576	9,796
10 Payroll taxes	167,972	141,326	21,360	5,286
11 Fees for services (non-employees):				
a Management				
b Legal	70,227	57,988	12,229	10
c Accounting	111,806	92,321	19,470	15
d Lobbying				
e Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17				
f Investment management fees	86,867		86,867	
g Other (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Schedule O)	811,467	670,046	141,309	112
12 Advertising and promotion	86,668	71,564	15,092	12
13 Office expenses	318,728	235,334	76,988	6,406
14 Information technology	291,994	233,058	57,057	1,879
15 Royalties				
16 Occupancy	198,720	69,446	126,323	2,951
17 Travel	407,117	206,796	187,530	12,791
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings	1,067,914	881,800	185,967	147
20 Interest	12,570	9,281	3,036	253
21 Payments to affiliates				
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	20,884	15,420	5,044	420
23 Insurance	69,524	57,407	12,107	10
24 Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above (List miscellaneous expenses in line 24e. If line 24e amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 24e expenses on Schedule O.)				
a MISCELLANEOUS	42,164	31,132	10,187	845
b PAYROLL ADMIN	14,714	12,150	2,562	2
c BAD DEBTS	10,128	7,478	2,446	204
d TAXES & FEES	7,694	5,681	1,858	155
e All other expenses	5,971	4,409	1,442	120
25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e	6,512,396	5,100,670	1,298,517	113,209
26 Joint costs. Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation. Check here <input type="checkbox"/> if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720).				

Part X Balance Sheet

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part IX

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
Assets	1 Cash-non-interest-bearing	303,546	1	344,839
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments	593,789	2	290,926
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net		3	
	4 Accounts receivable, net	353,895	4	808,083
	5 Loans and other receivables from any current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, substantial contributor, or 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons		5	
	6 Loans and other receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)		6	
	7 Notes and loans receivable, net		7	
	8 Inventories for sale or use		8	
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	143,515	9	91,581
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10a 646,409		
	b Less: accumulated depreciation	10b 434,051	252,454	10c 212,358
	11 Investments—publicly traded securities	22,973,341	11	24,450,869
	12 Investments—other securities. See Part IV, line 11		12	
	13 Investments—program-related. See Part IV, line 11		13	
	14 Intangible assets		14	
	15 Other assets. See Part IV, line 11	1,205,557	15	1,082,062
16 Total assets: Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 33)	25,826,097	16	27,280,718	
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	404,751	17	300,388
	18 Grants payable		18	
	19 Deferred revenue	695,228	19	619,949
	20 Tax-exempt bond liabilities		20	
	21 Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D		21	
	22 Loans and other payables to any current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, substantial contributor, or 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons		22	
	23 Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties	302,378	23	503,081
	24 Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties		24	
	25 Other liabilities (including federal income tax, payables to related third parties, and other liabilities not included on lines 17 - 24). Complete Part X of Schedule D	1,294,627	25	1,316,129
	26 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25	2,696,984	26	2,739,547
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow FASB ASC 958, check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27, 28, 32, and 33.			
	27 Net assets without donor restrictions	22,471,514	27	23,801,477
	28 Net assets with donor restrictions	657,599	28	739,694
	Organizations that do not follow FASB ASC 958, check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 29 through 33.			
	29 Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds		29	
	30 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building or equipment fund		30	
	31 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds		31	
	32 Total net assets or fund balances	23,129,113	32	24,541,171
	33 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	25,826,097	33	27,280,718

Part XI Reconciliation of Net Assets

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XI

1	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	6,352,482
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	6,512,396
3	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	-159,914
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 32, column (A))	4	23,129,113
5	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	5	1,571,972
6	Donated services and use of facilities	6	
7	Investment expenses	7	
8	Prior period adjustments	8	
9	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	9	0
10	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 32, column (A))	10	24,541,171

Part XII Financial Statements and Reporting

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XII

		Yes	No
1	Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990: <input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accrual <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain on Schedule O.		
2a	Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant? If 'Yes,' check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were compiled or reviewed on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both: <input type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis		No
b	Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant? If 'Yes,' check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were audited on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis	Yes	
c	If "Yes," to line 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant? If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain in Schedule O.	Yes	
3a	As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Uniform Guidance, 2 C.F.R. Part 200, Subpart F?		No
b	If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? If the organization did not undergo the required audit or audits, explain why in Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits.		

Additional Data

Return to Form

Software ID:

Software Version:

Form 990, Special Condition Description:

Special Condition Description

Public Charity Status and Public Support

Complete if the organization is a section 501(c)(3) organization or a section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust.
 Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.
 Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for instructions and the latest information.

Name of the organization
SOCIETY OF AMERICAN FORESTERS

Employer identification number
53-0204630

Part I Reason for Public Charity Status (All organizations must complete this part.) See instructions.

The organization is not a private foundation because it is: (For lines 1 through 12, check only one box.)

- 1 A church, convention of churches, or association of churches described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(i)**.
- 2 A school described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)**. (Attach Schedule E (Form 990).)
- 3 A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii)**.
- 4 A medical research organization operated in conjunction with a hospital described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii)**. Enter the hospital's name, city, and state:

- 5 An organization operated for the benefit of a college or university owned or operated by a governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iv)**. (Complete Part II.)
- 6 A federal, state, or local government or governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(v)**.
- 7 An organization that normally receives a substantial part of its support from a governmental unit or from the general public described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)**. (Complete Part II.)
- 8 A community trust described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)**. (Complete Part II.)
- 9 An agricultural research organization described in **170(b)(1)(A)(ix)** operated in conjunction with a land-grant college or university or a non-land grant college of agriculture. See instructions. Enter the name, city, and state of the college or university:
- 10 An organization that normally receives: (1) more than 33 1/3% of its support from contributions, membership fees, and gross receipts from activities related to its exempt functions—subject to certain exceptions, and (2) no more than 33 1/3% of its support from gross investment income and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 tax) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975. See **section 509(a)(2)**. (Complete Part III.)
- 11 An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety. See **section 509(a)(4)**.
- 12 An organization organized and operated exclusively for the benefit of, to perform the functions of, or to carry out the purposes of one or more publicly supported organizations described in **section 509(a)(1)** or **section 509(a)(2)**. See **section 509(a)(3)**. Check the box on lines 12a through 12d that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 12e, 12f, and 12g.
 - a **Type I.** A supporting organization operated, supervised, or controlled by its supported organization(s), typically by giving the supported organization(s) the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the directors or trustees of the supporting organization. **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and B.**
 - b **Type II.** A supporting organization supervised or controlled in connection with its supported organization(s), by having control or management of the supporting organization vested in the same persons that control or manage the supported organization(s). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and C.**
 - c **Type III functionally integrated.** A supporting organization operated in connection with, and functionally integrated with, its supported organization(s) (see instructions). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A, D, and E.**
 - d **Type III non-functionally integrated.** A supporting organization operated in connection with its supported organization(s) that is not functionally integrated. The organization generally must satisfy a distribution requirement and an attentiveness requirement (see instructions). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and D, and Part V.**
 - e Check this box if the organization received a written determination from the IRS that it is a Type I, Type II, Type III functionally integrated, or Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organization.
 - f Enter the number of supported organizations _____
 - g Provide the following information about the supported organization(s).

(i) Name of supported organization	(ii) EIN	(iii) Type of organization (described on lines 1- 10 above (see instructions))	(iv) Is the organization listed in your governing document?		(v) Amount of monetary support (see instructions)	(vi) Amount of other support (see instructions)
			Yes	No		
Total						

Part II Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Sections 170(b)(1)(A)(iv) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)
 (Complete only if you checked the box on line 5, 7, or 8 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part III. If the organization failed to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part III.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2020	(b) 2021	(c) 2022	(d) 2023	(e) 2024	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grant.") . . .						
2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
3 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge..						
4 Total. Add lines 1 through 3						
5 The portion of total contributions by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) included on line 1 that exceeds 2% of the amount shown on line 11, column (f) . . .						
6 Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4.						

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2020	(b) 2021	(c) 2022	(d) 2023	(e) 2024	(f) Total
7 Amounts from line 4.						
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources						
9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
10 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.)						
11 Total support. Add lines 7 through 10						

12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions) **12**

13 First 5 years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and **stop here**

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

14 Public support percentage for 2024 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f))	14	
15 Public support percentage for 2023 Schedule A, Part II, line 14	15	

16a 33 1/3% support test—2024. If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and **stop here.** The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization

b 33 1/3% support test—2023. If the organization did not check a box on line 13 or 16a, and line 15 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and **stop here.** The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization

17a 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2024. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, or 16b, and line 14 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and **stop here.** Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization

b 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2023. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, or 17a, and line 15 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and **stop here.** Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization

18 Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a, or 17b, check this box and see instructions

Part III Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Section 509(a)(2)

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 10 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part II. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part II.)

Section A. Public Support

Table with 7 columns: (a) 2020, (b) 2021, (c) 2022, (d) 2023, (e) 2024, (f) Total. Rows include: 1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received; 2 Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed; 3 Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business; 4 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit; 5 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit; 6 Total. Add lines 1 through 5; 7a Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons; 7b Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons; 8 Public support. (Subtract line 7c from line 6.)

Section B. Total Support

Table with 7 columns: (a) 2020, (b) 2021, (c) 2022, (d) 2023, (e) 2024, (f) Total. Rows include: 9 Amounts from line 6; 10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources; 10b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975; 10c Add lines 10a and 10b; 11 Net income from unrelated business activities not included on line 10b; 12 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets; 13 Total support. (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12.); 14 First 5 years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here.

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

Table with 3 columns: Line number, Description, Percentage. Row 15: Public support percentage for 2024 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f)) 79.460%. Row 16: Public support percentage from 2023 Schedule A, Part III, line 15 72.490%.

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

Table with 3 columns: Line number, Description, Percentage. Row 17: Investment income percentage for 2024 (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f)) 14.800%. Row 18: Investment income percentage from 2023 Schedule A, Part III, line 17 17.200%. Row 19a: 33 1/3% support tests-2024. If the organization did not check the box on line 14, and line 15 is more than 33 1/3%, and line 17 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and stop here. Row 19b: 33 1/3% support tests-2023. If the organization did not check a box on line 14 or line 19a, and line 16 is more than 33 1/3% and line 17 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and stop here. Row 20: Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 14, 19a, or 19b, check this box and see instructions.

Part IV Supporting Organizations

(Complete only if you checked a box on line 12 of Part I. If you checked box 12a, of Part I, complete Sections A and B. If you checked box 12b, of Part I, complete Sections A and C. If you checked box 12c, of Part I, complete Sections A, D, and E. If you checked box 12d, of Part I, complete Sections A and D, and complete Part V.)

Section A. All Supporting Organizations

		Yes	No
1	Are all of the organization's supported organizations listed by name in the organization's governing documents? If "No," describe in Part VI how the supported organizations are designated. If designated by class or purpose, describe the designation. If historic and continuing relationship, explain.		
2	Did the organization have any supported organization that does not have an IRS determination of status under section 509(a)(1) or (2)? If "Yes," explain in Part VI how the organization determined that the supported organization was described in section 509(a)(1) or (2).		
3a	Did the organization have a supported organization described in section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6)? If "Yes," answer lines 3b and 3c below.		
b	Did the organization confirm that each supported organization qualified under section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6) and satisfied the public support tests under section 509(a)(2)? If "Yes," describe in Part VI when and how the organization made the determination.		
c	Did the organization ensure that all support to such organizations was used exclusively for section 170(c)(2)(B) purposes? If "Yes," explain in Part VI what controls the organization put in place to ensure such use.		
4a	Was any supported organization not organized in the United States ("foreign supported organization")? If "Yes" and if you checked box 12a or 12b in Part I, answer lines 4b and 4c below.		
b	Did the organization have ultimate control and discretion in deciding whether to make grants to the foreign supported organization? If "Yes," describe in Part VI how the organization had such control and discretion despite being controlled or supervised by or in connection with its supported organizations.		
c	Did the organization support any foreign supported organization that does not have an IRS determination under sections 501(c)(3) and 509(a)(1) or (2)? If "Yes," explain in Part VI what controls the organization used to ensure that all support to the foreign supported organization was used exclusively for section 170(c)(2)(B) purposes.		
5a	Did the organization add, substitute, or remove any supported organizations during the tax year? If "Yes," answer lines 5b and 5c below (if applicable). Also, provide detail in Part VI , including (i) the names and EIN numbers of the supported organizations added, substituted, or removed; (ii) the reasons for each such action; (iii) the authority under the organization's organizing document authorizing such action; and (iv) how the action was accomplished (such as by amendment to the organizing document).		
b	Type I or Type II only. Was any added or substituted supported organization part of a class already designated in the organization's organizing document?		
c	Substitutions only. Was the substitution the result of an event beyond the organization's control?		
6	Did the organization provide support (whether in the form of grants or the provision of services or facilities) to anyone other than (i) its supported organizations, (ii) individuals that are part of the charitable class benefited by one or more of its supported organizations, or (iii) other supporting organizations that also support or benefit one or more of the filing organization's supported organizations? If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI .		
7	Did the organization provide a grant, loan, compensation, or other similar payment to a substantial contributor (defined in section 4958(c)(3)(C)), a family member of a substantial contributor, or a 35% controlled entity with regard to a substantial contributor? If "Yes," complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990).		
8	Did the organization make a loan to a disqualified person (as defined in section 4958) not described on line 7? If "Yes," complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990).		
9a	Was the organization controlled directly or indirectly at any time during the tax year by one or more disqualified persons, as defined in section 4946 (other than foundation managers and organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or (2))? If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI .		
b	Did one or more disqualified persons (as defined on line 9a) hold a controlling interest in any entity in which the supporting organization had an interest? If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI .		
c	Did a disqualified person (as defined on line 9a) have an ownership interest in, or derive any personal benefit from, assets in which the supporting organization also had an interest? If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI .		
10a	Was the organization subject to the excess business holdings rules of section 4943 because of section 4943(f) (regarding certain Type II supporting organizations, and all Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organizations)? If "Yes," answer line 10b below.		
b	Did the organization have any excess business holdings in the tax year? (Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine whether the organization had excess business holdings).		

Part IV Supporting Organizations (continued)

		Yes	No
11	Has the organization accepted a gift or contribution from any of the following persons?		
a	A person who directly or indirectly controls, either alone or together with persons described on lines 11b and 11c below, the governing body of a supported organization?		
b	A family member of a person described on 11a above?		
c	A 35% controlled entity of a person described on line 11a or 11b above? <i>If "Yes" to 11a, 11b, or 11c, provide detail in Part VI</i>		

Section B. Type I Supporting Organizations

		Yes	No
1	Did the officers, directors, trustees, or membership of one or more supported organizations have the power to regularly appoint or elect at least a majority of the organization's directors or trustees at all times during the tax year? <i>If "No," describe in Part VI how the supported organization(s) effectively operated, supervised, or controlled the organization's activities. If the organization had more than one supported organization, describe how the powers to appoint and/or remove directors or trustees were allocated among the supported organizations and what conditions or restrictions, if any, applied to such powers during the tax year.</i>		
2	Did the organization operate for the benefit of any supported organization other than the supported organization(s) that operated, supervised, or controlled the supporting organization? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI how providing such benefit carried out the purposes of the supported organization(s) that operated, supervised or controlled the supporting organization.</i>		

Section C. Type II Supporting Organizations

		Yes	No
1	Were a majority of the organization's directors or trustees during the tax year also a majority of the directors or trustees of each of the organization's supported organization(s)? <i>If "No," describe in Part VI how control or management of the supporting organization was vested in the same persons that controlled or managed the supported organization(s).</i>		

Section D. All Type III Supporting Organizations

		Yes	No
1	Did the organization provide to each of its supported organizations, by the last day of the fifth month of the organization's tax year, (i) a written notice describing the type and amount of support provided during the prior tax year, (ii) a copy of the Form 990 that was most recently filed as of the date of notification, and (iii) copies of the organization's governing documents in effect on the date of notification, to the extent not previously provided?		
2	Were any of the organization's officers, directors, or trustees either (i) appointed or elected by the supported organization(s) or (ii) serving on the governing body of a supported organization? <i>If "No," explain in Part VI how the organization maintained a close and continuous working relationship with the supported organization(s).</i>		
3	By reason of the relationship described in line 2 above, did the organization's supported organizations have a significant voice in the organization's investment policies and in directing the use of the organization's income or assets at all times during the tax year? <i>If "Yes," describe in Part VI the role the organization's supported organizations played in this regard.</i>		

Section E. Type III Functionally-Integrated Supporting Organizations

1	Check the box next to the method that the organization used to satisfy the Integral Part Test during the year (see instructions):		
a	<input type="checkbox"/> The organization satisfied the Activities Test. Complete line 2 below.		
b	<input type="checkbox"/> The organization is the parent of each of its supported organizations. Complete line 3 below.		
c	<input type="checkbox"/> The organization supported a governmental entity. Describe in Part VI how you supported a government entity (see instructions)		
2	Activities Test. Answer lines 2a and 2b below.		
a	Did substantially all of the organization's activities during the tax year directly further the exempt purposes of the supported organization(s) to which the organization was responsive? <i>If "Yes," then in Part VI identify those supported organizations and explain how these activities directly furthered their exempt purposes, how the organization was responsive to those supported organizations, and how the organization determined that these activities constituted substantially all of its activities.</i>		
b	Did the activities described on line 2a, above constitute activities that, but for the organization's involvement, one or more of the organization's supported organization(s) would have been engaged in? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI the reasons for the organization's position that its supported organization(s) would have engaged in these activities but for the organization's involvement.</i>		
3	Parent of Supported Organizations. Answer lines 3a and 3b below.		
a	Did the organization have the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the officers, directors, or trustees of each of the supported organizations? <i>If "Yes" or "No", provide details in Part VI.</i>		
b	Did the organization exercise a substantial degree of direction over the policies, programs and activities of each of its supported organizations? <i>If "Yes," describe in Part VI. the role played by the organization in this regard.</i>		

Part V Type III Non-Functionally Integrated 509(a)(3) Supporting Organizations

- 1** Check here if the organization satisfied the Integral Part Test as a qualifying trust on Nov. 20, 1970 (*explain in Part VI*). See instructions. All other Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organizations must complete Sections A through E.

Section A - Adjusted Net Income

(A) Prior Year

(B) Current Year
(optional)

- | | | | |
|---|----------|--|--|
| 1 Net short-term capital gain | 1 | | |
| 2 Recoveries of prior-year distributions | 2 | | |
| 3 Other gross income (see instructions) | 3 | | |
| 4 Add lines 1 through 3 | 4 | | |
| 5 Depreciation and depletion | 5 | | |
| 6 Portion of operating expenses paid or incurred for production or collection of gross income or for management, conservation, or maintenance of property held for production of income (see instructions) | 6 | | |
| 7 Other expenses (see instructions) | 7 | | |
| 8 Adjusted Net Income (subtract lines 5, 6 and 7 from line 4) | 8 | | |

Section B - Minimum Asset Amount

(A) Prior Year

(B) Current Year
(optional)

- | | | | |
|--|-----------|--|--|
| 1 Aggregate fair market value of all non-exempt-use assets (see instructions for short tax year or assets held for part of year): | 1 | | |
| a Average monthly value of securities | 1a | | |
| b Average monthly cash balances | 1b | | |
| c Fair market value of other non-exempt-use assets | 1c | | |
| d Total (add lines 1a, 1b, and 1c) | 1d | | |
| e Discount claimed for blockage or other factors (<i>explain in detail in Part VI</i>): | | | |
| 2 Acquisition indebtedness applicable to non-exempt use assets | 2 | | |
| 3 Subtract line 2 from line 1d | 3 | | |
| 4 Cash deemed held for exempt use. Enter 0.015 of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions). | 4 | | |
| 5 Net value of non-exempt-use assets (subtract line 4 from line 3) | 5 | | |
| 6 Multiply line 5 by 0.035 | 6 | | |
| 7 Recoveries of prior-year distributions | 7 | | |
| 8 Minimum Asset Amount (add line 7 to line 6) | 8 | | |

Section C - Distributable Amount

Current Year

- | | | |
|--|----------|--|
| 1 Adjusted net income for prior year (from Section A, line 8, Column A) | 1 | |
| 2 Enter 85% of line 1 | 2 | |
| 3 Minimum asset amount for prior year (from Section B, line 8, Column A) | 3 | |
| 4 Enter greater of line 2 or line 3 | 4 | |
| 5 Income tax imposed in prior year | 5 | |
| 6 Distributable Amount. Subtract line 5 from line 4, unless subject to emergency temporary reduction (see instructions) | 6 | |

- 7** Check here if the current year is the organization's first as a non-functionally-integrated Type III supporting organization (see instructions)

Part V Type III Non-Functionally Integrated 509(a)(3) Supporting Organizations

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Section D - Distributions		Current Year
1 Amounts paid to supported organizations to accomplish exempt purposes	1	
2 Amounts paid to perform activity that directly furthers exempt purposes of supported organizations, in excess of income from activity	2	
3 Administrative expenses paid to accomplish exempt purposes of supported organizations	3	
4 Amounts paid to acquire exempt-use assets	4	
5 Qualified set-aside amounts (prior IRS approval required - provide details in Part VI)	5	
6 Other distributions (describe in Part VI). See instructions	6	
7 Total annual distributions. Add lines 1 through 6.	7	
8 Distributions to attentive supported organizations to which the organization is responsive (provide details in Part VI). See instructions	8	
9 Distributable amount for 2024 from Section C, line 6	9	
10 Line 8 amount divided by Line 9 amount	10	

Section E - Distribution Allocations (see instructions)	(i) Excess Distributions	(ii) Underdistributions Pre-2024	(iii) Distributable Amount for 2024
1 Distributable amount for 2024 from Section C, line 6			
2 Underdistributions, if any, for years prior to 2024 (reasonable cause required-- explain in Part VI). See instructions.			
3 Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2024:			
a From 2019.			
b From 2020.			
c From 2021.			
d From 2022.			
e From 2023.			
f Total of lines 3a through e			
g Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
h Applied to 2024 distributable amount			
i Carryover from 2019 not applied (see instructions)			
j Remainder. Subtract lines 3g, 3h, and 3i from line 3f.			
4 Distributions for 2024 from Section D, line 7: \$			
a Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
b Applied to 2024 distributable amount			
c Remainder. Subtract lines 4a and 4b from line 4.			
5 Remaining underdistributions for years prior to 2024, if any. Subtract lines 3g and 4a from line 2. If the amount is greater than zero, explain in Part VI . See instructions.			
6 Remaining underdistributions for 2024. Subtract lines 3h and 4b from line 1. If the amount is greater than zero, explain in Part VI . See instructions.			
7 Excess distributions carryover to 2025. Add lines 3j and 4c.			
8 Breakdown of line 7:			
a Excess from 2020.			
b Excess from 2021.			
c Excess from 2022.			
d Excess from 2023.			
e Excess from 2024.			

Part VI Supplemental Information. Provide the explanations required by Part II, line 10; Part II, line 17a or 17b; Part III, line 12; Part IV, Section A, lines 1, 2, 3b, 3c, 4b, 4c, 5a, 6, 9a, 9b, 9c, 11a, 11b, and 11c; Part IV, Section B, lines 1 and 2; Part IV, Section C, line 1; Part IV, Section D, lines 2 and 3; Part IV, Section E, lines 1c, 2a, 2b, 3a and 3b; Part V, line 1; Part V, Section B, line 1e; Part V Section D, lines 5, 6, and 8; and Part V, Section E, lines 2, 5, and 6. Also complete this part for any additional information. (See instructions).

Facts And Circumstances Test

Return Reference	Explanation

Additional Data

Return to Form

Software ID:

Software Version:

Schedule of Contributors

▶ Attach to Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF.
 ▶ Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for the latest information.

Name of the organization SOCIETY OF AMERICAN FORESTERS	Employer identification number 53-0204630
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Organization type (check one):

Filers of:

Section:

- Form 990 or 990-EZ
 - 501(c)() (enter number) organization
 - 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust **not** treated as a private foundation
 - 527 political organization
- Form 990-PF
 - 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation
 - 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust treated as a private foundation
 - 501(c)(3) taxable private foundation

Check if your organization is covered by the **General Rule** or a **Special Rule**.
Note: Only a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organization can check boxes for both the General Rule and a Special Rule. See instructions.

General Rule

- For an organization filing Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF that received, during the year, contributions totaling \$5,000 or more (in money or other property) from any one contributor. Complete Parts I and II. See instructions for determining a contributor's total contributions.

Special Rules

- For an organization described in section 501(c)(3) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that met the 33¹/₃% support test of the regulations under sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi), that checked Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ), Part II, line 13, 16a, or 16b, and that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of the greater of (1) \$5,000 or (2) 2% of the amount on (i) Form 990, Part VIII, line 1h, or (ii) Form 990-EZ, line 1. Complete Parts I and II.
- For an organization described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of more than \$1,000 *exclusively* for religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals. Complete Parts I, II, and III.
- For an organization described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, contributions *exclusively* for religious, charitable, etc., purposes, but no such contributions totaled more than \$1,000. If this box is checked, enter here the total contributions that were received during the year for an *exclusively* religious, charitable, etc., purpose. Don't complete any of the parts unless the **General Rule** applies to this organization because it received *nonexclusively* religious, charitable, etc., contributions totaling \$5,000 or more during the year ▶ \$ _____

Caution: An organization that isn't covered by the General Rule and/or the Special Rules doesn't file Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF), but it **must** answer "No" on Part IV, line 2, of its Form 990; or check the box on line H of its Form 990-EZ or on its Form 990PF, Part I, line 2, to certify that it doesn't meet the filing requirements of Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF).

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Part I

Contributors (see instructions). Use duplicate copies of Part I if additional space is needed.

(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
RESTRICTED		\$ RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
-		\$	<input type="checkbox"/> Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
-		\$	<input type="checkbox"/> Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
-		\$	<input type="checkbox"/> Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
-		\$	<input type="checkbox"/> Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
-		\$	<input type="checkbox"/> Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)

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Part II **Noncash Property** (see instructions). Use duplicate copies of Part II if additional space is needed.

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (See instructions)	(d) Date received
-	_____ _____ _____	_____ \$	_____
-	_____ _____ _____	_____ \$	_____
-	_____ _____ _____	_____ \$	_____
-	_____ _____ _____	_____ \$	_____
-	_____ _____ _____	_____ \$	_____
-	_____ _____ _____	_____ \$	_____
-	_____ _____ _____	_____ \$	_____
-	_____ _____ _____	_____ \$	_____
-	_____ _____ _____	_____ \$	_____

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Part III **Exclusively religious, charitable, etc., contributions to organizations described in section 501(c) (7), (8), or (10) that total more than \$1,000 for the year from any one contributor.** Complete columns (a) through (e) and the following line entry. For organizations completing Part III, enter the total of *exclusively* religious, charitable, etc., contributions of **\$1,000 or less** for the year. (Enter this information once. See instructions.) \$ _____
Use duplicate copies of Part III if additional space is needed.

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held
	_____ _____	_____ _____	_____ _____
(e) Transfer of gift			
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee	
_____ _____		_____ _____	
(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held
	_____ _____	_____ _____	_____ _____
(e) Transfer of gift			
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee	
_____ _____		_____ _____	
(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held
	_____ _____	_____ _____	_____ _____
(e) Transfer of gift			
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee	
_____ _____		_____ _____	
(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held
	_____ _____	_____ _____	_____ _____
(e) Transfer of gift			
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee	
_____ _____		_____ _____	

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▶ **Complete if the organization answered "Yes," on Form 990, Part IV, line 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11a, 11b, 11c, 11d, 11e, 11f, 12a, or 12b.**
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Part I Organizations Maintaining Donor Advised Funds or Other Similar Funds or Accounts.
Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 6.

	(a) Donor advised funds	(b) Funds and other accounts
1 Total number at end of year		
2 Aggregate value of contributions to (during year)		
3 Aggregate value of grants from (during year)		
4 Aggregate value at end of year		

5 Did the organization inform all donors and donor advisors in writing that the assets held in donor advised funds are the organization's property, subject to the organization's exclusive legal control? **Yes** **No**

6 Did the organization inform all grantees, donors, and donor advisors in writing that grant funds can be used only for charitable purposes and not for the benefit of the donor or donor advisor, or for any other purpose conferring impermissible private benefit? **Yes** **No**

Part II Conservation Easements.
Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 7.

1 Purpose(s) of conservation easements held by the organization (check all that apply).

Preservation of land for public use (e.g., recreation or education) Preservation of an historically important land area

Protection of natural habitat Preservation of a certified historic structure

Preservation of open space

2 Complete lines 2a through 2d if the organization held a qualified conservation contribution in the form of a conservation easement on the last day of the tax year.

	Held at the End of the Year
a Total number of conservation easements	2a
b Total acreage restricted by conservation easements	2b
c Number of conservation easements on a certified historic structure included in (a)	2c
d Number of conservation easements included in (c) acquired after July 25, 2006, and not on a historic structure listed in the National Register	2d

3 Number of conservation easements modified, transferred, released, extinguished, or terminated by the organization during the tax year ▶ _____

4 Number of states where property subject to conservation easement is located ▶ _____

5 Does the organization have a written policy regarding the periodic monitoring, inspection, handling of violations, and enforcement of the conservation easements it holds? **Yes** **No**

6 Staff and volunteer hours devoted to monitoring, inspecting, handling of violations, and enforcing conservation easements during the year
▶ _____

7 Amount of expenses incurred in monitoring, inspecting, handling of violations, and enforcing conservation easements during the year
▶ \$ _____

8 Does each conservation easement reported on line 2(d) above satisfy the requirements of section 170(h)(4)(B)(i) and section 170(h)(4)(B)(ii)? **Yes** **No**

9 In Part XIII, describe how the organization reports conservation easements in its revenue and expense statement, and balance sheet, and include, if applicable, the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that describes the organization's accounting for conservation easements.

Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets.
Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 8.

1a If the organization elected, as permitted under FASB ASC 958, not to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide, in Part XIII, the text of the footnote to its financial statements that describes these items.

b If the organization elected, as permitted under FASB ASC 958, to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide the following amounts relating to these items:

(i) Revenue included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1 ▶ \$ _____

(ii) Assets included in Form 990, Part X ▶ \$ _____

2 If the organization received or held works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets for financial gain, provide the following amounts required to be reported under FASB ASC 958 relating to these items:

a Revenue included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1 ▶ \$ _____

b Assets included in Form 990, Part X ▶ \$ _____

Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets (continued)

- 3** Using the organization's acquisition, accession, and other records, check any of the following that are a significant use of its collection items (check all that apply):
 - a** Public exhibition
 - b** Scholarly research
 - c** Preservation for future generations
 - d** Loan or exchange programs
 - e** Other
- 4** Provide a description of the organization's collections and explain how they further the organization's exempt purpose in Part XIII.
- 5** During the year, did the organization solicit or receive donations of art, historical treasures or other similar assets to be sold to raise funds rather than to be maintained as part of the organization's collection? . . . **Yes** **No**

Part IV Escrow and Custodial Arrangements.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 9, or reported an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21.

- 1a** Is the organization an agent, trustee, custodian or other intermediary for contributions or other assets not included on Form 990, Part X? **Yes** **No**
 - b** If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII and complete the following table:
- | | Amount |
|--|-----------|
| c Beginning balance | 1c |
| d Additions during the year | 1d |
| e Distributions during the year | 1e |
| f Ending balance | 1f |
- 2a** Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21, for escrow or custodial account liability? **Yes** **No**
 - b** If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII. Check here if the explanation has been provided in Part XIII

Part V Endowment Funds.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 10.

	(a) Current year	(b) Prior year	(c) Two years back	(d) Three years back	(e) Four years back
1a Beginning of year balance	209,178	183,498	222,147	199,922	174,088
b Contributions	2,484	2,086	889	1,547	310
c Net investment earnings, gains, and losses	21,929	27,973	-34,065	23,558	26,580
d Grants or scholarships	4,483	4,379	5,473	2,880	1,056
e Other expenditures for facilities and programs					
f Administrative expenses					
g End of year balance	229,108	209,178	183,498	222,147	199,922

- 2** Provide the estimated percentage of the current year end balance (line 1g, column (a)) held as:
 - a** Board designated or quasi-endowment ▶ 65.000 %
 - b** Permanent endowment ▶ 35.000 %
 - c** Term endowment ▶

The percentages on lines 2a, 2b, and 2c should equal 100%.
- 3a** Are there endowment funds not in the possession of the organization that are held and administered for the organization by:

	Yes	No
(i) Unrelated organizations	No	No
(ii) Related organizations	No	No
b If "Yes" on 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R?		
- 4** Describe in Part XIII the intended uses of the organization's endowment funds.

Part VI Land, Buildings, and Equipment.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11a. See Form 990, Part X, line 10.

Description of property	(a) Cost or other basis (investment)	(b) Cost or other basis (other)	(c) Accumulated depreciation	(d) Book value
1a Land				
b Buildings				
c Leasehold improvements		153,585	58,176	95,409
d Equipment				
e Other		492,824	375,875	116,949
Total. Add lines 1a through 1e. (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10(c).)				212,358

Part VII Investments - Other Securities.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11b. See Form 990, Part X, line 12.

(a) Description of security or category (including name of security)	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation: Cost or end-of-year market value
(1) Financial derivatives		
(2) Closely-held equity interests		
(3) Other _____		
(A)		
(B)		
(C)		
(D)		
(E)		
(F)		
(G)		
(H)		
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 12.)	▶	

Part VIII Investments - Program Related.

Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 11c. See Form 990, Part X, line 13.

(a) Description of investment	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation: Cost or end-of-year market value
(1)		
(2)		
(3)		
(4)		
(5)		
(6)		
(7)		
(8)		
(9)		
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col.(B) line 13.)	▶	

Part IX Other Assets.

Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 11d. See Form 990, Part X, line 15.

(a) Description	(b) Book value
(1)	
(2)	
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col.(B) line 15.)	▶

Part X Other Liabilities.

Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 11e or 11f. See Form 990, Part X, line 25.

1. (a) Description of liability	(b) Book value
(1) Federal income taxes	
OPERATING LEASE LIABILITY	1,294,627
DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLAN LIABILITY	21,502
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col.(B) line 25.)	▶ 1,316,129

2. Liability for uncertain tax positions. In Part XIII, provide the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that reports the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740). Check here if the text of the footnote has been provided in Part XIII

Part XI Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements With Revenue per Return.

Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.

1	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements		1	8,374,931
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12:			
a	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	2a	1,571,972	
b	Donated services and use of facilities	2b	521,739	
c	Recoveries of prior year grants	2c		
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	2d	15,605	
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e		2,109,316
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1		3	6,265,615
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line 1:			
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a	86,867	
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	4b		
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c		86,867
5	Total revenue. Add lines 3 and 4c . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12.)		5	6,352,482

Part XII Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements With Expenses per Return.

Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.

1	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements		1	6,962,873
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25:			
a	Donated services and use of facilities	2a	521,739	
b	Prior year adjustments	2b		
c	Other losses	2c		
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	2d	15,605	
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e		537,344
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1		3	6,425,529
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line 1:			
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a	86,867	
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	4b		
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c		86,867
5	Total expenses. Add lines 3 and 4c . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 18.)		5	6,512,396

Part XIII Supplemental Information

Provide the descriptions required for Part II, lines 3, 5, and 9; Part III, lines 1a and 4; Part IV, lines 1b and 2b; Part V, line 4; Part X, line 2; Part XI, lines 2d and 4b; and Part XII, lines 2d and 4b. Also complete this part to provide any additional information.

Return Reference	Explanation
PART V, LINE 4:	THE SOCIETY'S ONLY DONOR-RESTRICTED ENDOWMENT FUND WAS ESTABLISHED IN MEMORY OF G. ROBINSON (BOB) GREGORY, WHO WAS A PIONEER IN FOREST ECONOMICS AND RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT. THE GREGORY ENDOWMENT FUND PROVIDES ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE TO OUTSTANDING STUDENTS OR PROFESSIONALS FROM OUTSIDE OF NORTH AMERICA SO THAT THEY MAY ATTEND THE SOCIETY'S ANNUAL CONFERENCE AND HAVE A MEANINGFUL ENGAGEMENT WITH THE FORESTERS OF NORTH AMERICA.
PART X, LINE 2:	THE SOCIETY HAS ESTIMATED THAT ITS TAXABLE ACTIVITIES WILL GENERATE AN ADDITIONAL NET OPERATING LOSS CARRYFORWARD FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2024. IN ACCORDANCE WITH U.S. GAAP, A DEFERRED TAX ASSET RELATED TO THE NET OPERATING LOSS CARRYFORWARD, WHICH REPRESENTS A FUTURE TAX BENEFIT, SHOULD BE RECORDED. HOWEVER, DUE TO THE UNCERTAINTY THAT THE SOCIETY WILL REALIZE A BENEFIT FROM THE DEFERRED TAX ASSET, A VALUATION ALLOWANCE OF 100% HAS ALSO BEEN RECORDED. THEREFORE, THE NET DEFERRED TAX ASSET IS \$-0- AT DECEMBER 31, 2024.
PART XI, LINE 2D - OTHER ADJUSTMENTS:	COST OF GOODS SOLD 15,605.
PART XII, LINE 2D - OTHER ADJUSTMENTS:	COST OF GOODS SOLD 15,605.

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**Schedule I
(Form 990)**

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Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

**Grants and Other Assistance to Organizations,
Governments and Individuals in the United States**

OMB No. 1545-0047

Complete if the organization answered "Yes," on Form 990, Part IV, line 21 or 22.
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Part I General Information on Grants and Assistance

- 1** Does the organization maintain records to substantiate the amount of the grants or assistance, the grantees' eligibility for the grants or assistance, and the selection criteria used to award the grants or assistance? **Yes** **No**
- 2** Describe in Part IV the organization's procedures for monitoring the use of grant funds in the United States.

Part II Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Organizations and Domestic Governments. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 21, for any recipient that received more than \$5,000. Part II can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

(a) Name and address of organization or government	(b) EIN	(c) IRC section (if applicable)	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Amount of non-cash assistance	(f) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(g) Description of noncash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance
(1) APPALACHIAN SAF 194 JAY RIDGE RD CLOVERDALE, V A 240773029	23-7065203	501C3	7,600	0			TO PROMOTE FORESTRY AND EDUCATION
(2) DAKOTAS SAF 4717 BALDWIN ST RAPID CITY, SD 577021931	52-1273260	501C3	5,000	0			TO PROMOTE FORESTRY AND EDUCATION
(3) WISCONSIN SAF PO BOX 435 300 N MAIN ST BUTTERNUT, WI 545140435	52-1273261	501C3	6,800	0			TO PROMOTE FORESTRY AND EDUCATION
(4) NEW ENGLAND SAF 4396 ROUTE 132 THETFORD CENTER, V T 050758825	23-7065209	501C3	5,100	0			TO PROMOTE FORESTRY AND EDUCATION
(5) OREGON SAF PO BOX 393 DAYTON, OR 971140393	23-7065108	501C3	5,000	0			TO PROMOTE FORESTRY AND EDUCATION
(6) WASHINGTON SAF 72 TORNQUIST RD MCCLEARY, WA 985579505	23-7065210	501C3	5,280	0			TO PROMOTE FORESTRY AND EDUCATION

- 2** Enter total number of section 501(c)(3) and government organizations listed in the line 1 table
- 3** Enter total number of other organizations listed in the line 1 table

Part III Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Individuals. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 22.

Part III can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

(a) Type of grant or assistance	(b) Number of recipients	(c) Amount of cash grant	(d) Amount of noncash assistance	(e) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(f) Description of noncash assistance
(1) BEALE MEMORIAL AWARD	1	500			
(2) MOLLIE BEATTIE VISITING SCHOLARSHIP	4	20,000			
(3) SAF NATIONAL AWARD	8	5,500			
(4) STUDENT LEADERSHIP AWARD	1	200			
(5) STUDENT POSTER AWARDS	3	850			
(6) STUDENT PRESENTATION AWARDS	3	850			
(7) YOUNG FORESTER LEADERSHIP AWARD	1	500			
(8) TRAVEL AWARDS	10	8,150			
(9) RMS/SAF SCHOLARSHIP	2	10,000			
(10) SAF INNOVATION CHALLENGE	8	1,000			
(11) THOMAS HILL STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP	5	7,500			

Part IV Supplemental Information. Provide the information required in Part I, line 2; Part III, column (b); and any other additional information.

Return Reference	Explanation
PART I, LINE 2:	SAF MAINTAINS A THOROUGH APPLICATION AND SELECTION PROCESS WHERE APPLICABLE. CERTAIN GRANTS REQUIRE SUBSEQUENT REPORTING TO ENSURE THAT GRANT FUNDS ARE USED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE GRANT PURPOSE.

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Schedule J
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Compensation Information

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For certain Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees

- ▶ **Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 23.**
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Part I Questions Regarding Compensation

1a Check the appropriate box(es) if the organization provided any of the following to or for a person listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a. Complete Part III to provide any relevant information regarding these items.

<input type="checkbox"/> First-class or charter travel	<input type="checkbox"/> Housing allowance or residence for personal use
<input type="checkbox"/> Travel for companions	<input type="checkbox"/> Payments for business use of personal residence
<input type="checkbox"/> Tax idemnification and gross-up payments	<input type="checkbox"/> Health or social club dues or initiation fees
<input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary spending account	<input type="checkbox"/> Personal services (e.g., maid, chauffeur, chef)

b If any of the boxes on Line 1a are checked, did the organization follow a written policy regarding payment or reimbursement or provision of all of the expenses described above? If "No," complete Part III to explain

2 Did the organization require substantiation prior to reimbursing or allowing expenses incurred by all directors, trustees, officers, including the CEO/Executive Director, regarding the items checked on Line 1a?

3 Indicate which, if any, of the following the filing organization used to establish the compensation of the organization's CEO/Executive Director. Check all that apply. Do not check any boxes for methods used by a related organization to establish compensation of the CEO/Executive Director, but explain in Part III.

- | | |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Compensation committee | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Written employment contract |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Independent compensation consultant | <input type="checkbox"/> Compensation survey or study |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form 990 of other organizations | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approval by the board or compensation committee |

4 During the year, did any person listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, with respect to the filing organization or a related organization:

- a** Receive a severance payment or change-of-control payment?
 - b** Participate in, or receive payment from, a supplemental nonqualified retirement plan?
 - c** Participate in, or receive payment from, an equity-based compensation arrangement?
- If "Yes" to any of lines 4a-c, list the persons and provide the applicable amounts for each item in Part III.

Only 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations must complete lines 5-9.

5 For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the revenues of:

- a** The organization?
 - b** Any related organization?
- If "Yes," on line 5a or 5b, describe in Part III.

6 For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the net earnings of:

- a** The organization?
 - b** Any related organization?
- If "Yes," on line 6a or 6b, describe in Part III.

7 For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization provide any nonfixed payments not described in lines 5 and 6? If "Yes," describe in Part III.

8 Were any amounts reported on Form 990, Part VII, paid or accrued pursuant to a contract that was subject to the initial contract exception described in Regulations section 53.4958-4(a)(3)? If "Yes," describe in Part III.

9 If "Yes" on line 8, did the organization also follow the rebuttable presumption procedure described in Regulations section 53.4958-6(c)?

	Yes	No
1b		

2	Yes	No
4a		No
4b		No
4c		No

5a		No
5b		No
6a		No
6b		No
7		No
8		No
9		

Part II Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees. Use duplicate copies if additional space is needed.

For each individual whose compensation must be reported on Schedule J, report compensation from the organization on row (i) and from related organizations, described in the instructions, on row (ii). Do not list any individuals that are not listed on Form 990, Part VII.

Note. The sum of columns (B)(i)-(iii) for each listed individual must equal the total amount of Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, applicable column (D) and (E) amounts for that individual.

(A) Name and Title		(B) Breakdown of W-2, 1099-MISC compensation, and/or 1099-NEC			(C) Retirement and other deferred compensation	(D) Nontaxable benefits	(E) Total of columns (B)(i)-(D)	(F) Compensation in column (B) reported as deferred on prior Form 990
		(i) Base compensation	(ii) Bonus & incentive compensation	(iii) Other reportable compensation				
1 TERRY BAKER CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER	(i)	250,100	25,000	0	15,750	2,669	293,519	0
	(ii)	----- 0	----- 0	----- 0	----- 0	----- 0	----- 0	----- 0
2 SUSANNE METZ CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER	(i)	129,953	0	0	3,948	28,846	162,747	0
	(ii)	----- 0	----- 0	----- 0	----- 0	----- 0	----- 0	----- 0

Part III Supplemental Information

Provide the information, explanation, or descriptions required for Part I, lines 1a, 1b, 3, 4a, 4b, 4c, 5a, 5b, 6a, 6b, 7, and 8, and for Part II. Also complete this part for any additional information.

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SCHEDULE O
(Form 990)(Rev. January 2025)
Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service**Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ****Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on
Form 990 or 990-EZ or to provide any additional information.
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FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 6	THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE SOCIETY SHALL CONSIST OF PROFESSIONAL MEMBERS, AFFILIATE MEMBERS, INTERNATIONAL MEMBERS, AND STUDENT MEMBERS. PROFESSIONAL MEMBERS AND STUDENT MEMBERS MAY VOTE ON ANY QUESTIONS BEFORE THE SOCIETY.
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 7A	MEMBERS HAVE THE RIGHT TO CAST A VOTE THAT IS BINDING ON THE SOCIETY FOR THE ELECTION AND REMOVAL OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS. ELECTION TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS SHALL BE BY VOTING DISTRICTS, AND ONE MEMBER SHALL BE ELECTED FROM EACH VOTING DISTRICT.
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 7B	MEMBERS HAVE THE RIGHT TO CAST A VOTE THAT IS BINDING ON THE SOCIETY FOR AMENDMENTS TO THE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION AND THE BYLAWS, AND OTHER MATTERS RESERVED TO THE MEMBERS BY LAW.
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 11B	DRAFT FROM 990 IS EMAILED TO ALL BOARD MEMBERS FOR REVIEW PRIOR TO FILING.
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 12C	DURING DECEMBER BOARD MEETING, (IN PREPARATION FOR FOLLOWING YEAR) ALL BOARD MEMBERS (INCLUDING NEW) SIGN A CONFLICT OF INTEREST STATEMENT.
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 15A	THIRD-PARTY CONSULTANT PROVIDED FEEDBACK ON CEO COMPENSATION.
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION C, LINE 19	SOCIETY OF AMERICAN FORESTERS MAKES THEIR GOVERNING DOCUMENTS, CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY, AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC UPON REQUEST. THE ORGANIZATION'S AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS ARE ALSO AVAILABLE VIA THE ORGANIZATION'S WEBSITE.
FORM 990, PART IX, LINE 11G	OTHER PROFESSIONAL FEES: PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES 670,046. MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES 141,309. FUNDRAISING EXPENSES 112. TOTAL EXPENSES 811,467.
FORM 990, PART XII, LINE 2C	THE ORGANIZATION HAS NOT CHANGED THE OVERSIGHT PROCESS FOR ITS AUDIT OR THE SELECTION PROCESS OF AN INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT.

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