

documentation regarding forest activities that is obligatory for all forest users regardless of the ministerial department to which they are subordinated.

It has been decided that the Deputy Chairman of the State Committee, who will have the responsibility for administering this Chief Directorate, will serve concurrently as the chief State Forestry Inspector of the USSR.

Agencies for state surveillance of the condition, utilization, regeneration, conservation, and protection of forests will be established within ministries of forestry and state committees for forestry (nature conservation / in union republics), and in forestry production industrial associations in those union republics that do not have a ministry or state committee and in autonomous republics, krays, and oblasts. In oblasts and rayons in which forests appertaining to the state have been assigned or transferred on lease to Minlesprom USSR, state forest inspectorates will be established under the jurisdiction of forest agencies of the union republics.

A proposal for a Statute on the State Surveillance of Forests is currently being formulated.

The ministers of forestry or deputy chairmen of the state committees for forestry (or nature conservation) of the union republics, who are responsible for surveilling the condition, utilization, regeneration, conservation, and protection of forests, and the managers of forestry production industrial associations in (non-union) republics, krays, and oblasts will serve as the chief state forest inspector in those republics, krays, and oblasts, respectively.