S.C. Forestry Commission
Fines and Fees Report
Fiscal Year 2023-2024
Per Proviso 117.69 of the FY 2024-25 Appropriation Act

Fee Type	Code Section	Amount Received by Source	Purpose
Training Conference Registration Fee	Section 48-23-295	$9,500.00	A $50 registration fee per registrant to cover the cost of the Certified Prescribed Fire Manager course.
Prescribed Burning Assistance Fee	Section 48-23-295	$350,375.00	Revenue received from South Carolina landowners for prescribed burning conducted on their land. Rate is $25 per acre for understory burning and $35 per acre in mountainous terrain with a minimum of $500. Regions use these funds for day to day operating expenses after all federal and state funds have been exhausted.
Fire Lane Fee	Section 48-23-295	$237,175.00	Revenue received from South Carolina landowners for plowing firebreaks on their land. Rate for a medium tractor is $140 for first hour and $85 for each additional hour with a minimum of $140. Rate for a large tractor is $160 ofr first hour and $100 for each additonal hour with a minimum of $160. Regions use these funds for day to day operating expenses after all federal and state funds have been exhausted.
Timber Marking Fee	Section 48-23-295	$0.00	Revenue received from South Carolina landowners and other State Agencies for timber marking. Rate is $10/MBF for sawtimber and $5/cord for pulpwood. State Lands section and Regions use these funds for day to day operating expenses.
Construction of Water Bars Fee	Section 48-23-295	$14,735.00	Revenue received from South Carolina landowners for waterbar sconstruction on their land. Rate for a medium tractor is $140 for first hour and $85 for each additional hour with a minimum of $140. Rate for a large tractor is $160 for first hour and $100 for each additonal hour with a minimum of $160. Regions use these funds for day to day operating expenses after all federal and state funds have been exhausted.
Standby for Prescribed Burn Fee	Section 48-23-295	$6,270.00	Revenue received from South Carolina landowners for a suppression unit on standby during a prescribed burning conducted on their land. Rate is $80 for the first hour and $40 for each additional hour with a minimum of $120. Regions use these funds for day to day operating expenses after all federal and state funds have been exhausted.
User Fee - State Parks & State Forests	Section 48-23-132 Section 48-23-290	$84,252.41	Revenue received from users of the State Forests for recreational activities, i.e. hiking, mountain biking, horseback riding, motorized vehicles and other related activities. Rate is $5 for a daily permit and $25 for an annual permit. These funds are used for day to day operations on the state forest in which they were generated.