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Forester glad to be back in North Central W.Va.

FARMINGTON, W.Va. – After more than a decade working in southern West Virginia, Fire Forester Tim Casto is happy to be back in Mountaineer Country.

“I grew up in north central West Virginia,” Casto said. “I am glad to be home where I can help the citizens of Barbour, Harrison, Marion, Preston and Taylor counties with wildfire issues and other forestry programs.”

Casto has served in various positions with the Division of Forestry. After graduating from East Fairmont High School in 1996, and earning his Bachelor of Science in Forest Resource Management from West Virginia University in 2000, Casto went to work as a service forester in Lincoln County. In 2001, he became service forester in neighboring Kanawha County. In January 2006, Casto served as the acting district forester for District 5, headquartered in Milton. After the DOF implemented its reorganization plan and District 5 became part of Region 3, Casto worked as both the new region’s fire forester supervisor and its fire program specialist.

“Tim’s experience fighting wildfires in southern West Virginia will help round out our region’s fire suppression and prevention program,” said Rodger Ozburn, regional fire program specialist for the Region 1 Farmington Office. “Our fire program is already strong, and Tim’s being here will make it better still.”

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