

Chair Elect:**Eric Yarnell Brief Biography**

Eric Yarnell is a consulting forester who lives in Marshfield, Missouri and operates mostly in the southwest portion of the state. He founded Yarnell Forestry Consulting, LLC in 2011. YFC focuses mostly on writing forest management plans, timber sales, timber appraisals, and some forest management implementation. Eric has been a member of the Society of American Foresters since 2004, when he was a student member. Eric graduated from the University of Missouri with a Bachelor of Science in forestry. His interest in forestry began when he participated in the FFA forestry competition in high school.

Why am I interested in becoming a MOSAF officer?

I have always been interested in leadership, though the time commitment involved in serving has prevented me from seeking this type of opportunity in the past. In 2022, I hired another forester and have spent the last year or so training him. Now that my workload is shared and the company revenues do not depend entirely on me working every moment of the day, I feel that I can take on new responsibilities and engage as I have always intended to. MOSAF is an important means for connecting foresters with each other, promoting forestry as a profession, and continuing to learn from each other and other experts. I would feel honored to help guide MOSAF into better accomplishing these and other objectives that are important to the organization.