

WELCOME TO THE RAVEN WORKS

Thoughtful forestry begins with understanding your land.

The Raven Works helps Colorado Front Range property owners make practical, informed choices for healthier forests, safer homes, and resilient landscapes.



A thoughtful plan begins with the conditions, values, and possibilities already present on the land.

▲ WHAT THOUGHTFUL FORESTRY MEANS

Thoughtful forestry looks beyond a single treatment or short-term result. It considers wildfire risk, forest health, wildlife habitat, aesthetics, access, cost, and long-term stewardship together.

The right choices depend on the site. Slope, soils, tree species, stand structure, past disturbance, nearby homes, and landowner goals all shape what responsible action looks like.

● OUR APPROACH

We begin by listening and observing. We identify priorities, explain tradeoffs in plain language, and organize decisions into practical steps. Recommendations should make sense for the property—not simply follow a one-size-fits-all formula.

◎ IN THE FIELD

Practical observations from Colorado Front Range properties.

WHAT WE COMMONLY SEE

Multiple concerns overlap: dense vegetation, surface fuels, declining trees, access, privacy, views, and habitat.

A COMMON MISCONCEPTION

Wildfire mitigation does not automatically mean clearing the forest. Good work is selective, site-specific, and goal-driven.

WHAT TO LOOK FOR

Notice tree spacing, crown condition, ladder fuels, dead material near structures, regeneration, drainage, and signs of wildlife use.

✓ QUICK REFERENCE

- ✓ Start with your goals and the conditions on your property.
- ✓ Address the most consequential risks first.
- ✓ Retain healthy diversity where conditions allow.
- ✓ Protect healthy trees, habitat features, and other assets.
- ✓ Phase work at a realistic pace, then monitor the results.
- ✓ Expect a plan to evolve as the forest changes.

Good forestry is a process, not a one-time project.

FROM FIRST WALK TO LONG-TERM STEWARDSHIP

A clear process helps turn broad concerns into manageable decisions.

▲ A PRACTICAL WORKING PROCESS

1 LISTEN

Clarify what matters: safety, forest health, privacy, views, habitat, access, budget, and timing.

2 OBSERVE

Walk the property and notice patterns, constraints, assets, and areas that deserve closer attention.

3 PRIORITIZE

Separate urgent concerns from longer-term opportunities and identify a sensible sequence.

4 ACT

Use appropriate methods, qualified help, and realistic work phases.

5 REVISIT

Monitor change, maintain completed work, and adjust the plan as conditions and goals evolve.

✓ WHAT YOU CAN EXPECT

- ✓ Clear explanations without unnecessary jargon.
- ✓ Priorities and tradeoffs connected to your goals.
- ✓ Practical next steps that can be phased over time.
- ✓ Honest guidance when a closer site evaluation is needed.



Careful observation comes before treatment.

? QUESTIONS WORTH ASKING

Good decisions begin with questions that connect the condition of the land to the owner's priorities.

- What are the most important goals for this property?
- Which conditions create the greatest near-term concern?
- What should be retained, protected, or improved?
- How do slope, access, structures, and neighboring vegetation affect the plan?
- What work can be phased—and what should happen first?
- What ongoing maintenance will help protect the investment?

▲ THE RAVEN WORKS PERSPECTIVE

A healthy forest is not a static picture—it is a living system shaped by climate, disturbance, competition, wildlife, and people. Thoughtful forestry works with that complexity. We balance wildfire risk reduction, forest health, habitat, aesthetics, and long-term stewardship so decisions protect what matters most: your land, your home, and your community.

Healthy forests. Safer homes. Stronger future.



Thoughtful Forestry for Colorado's Front Range