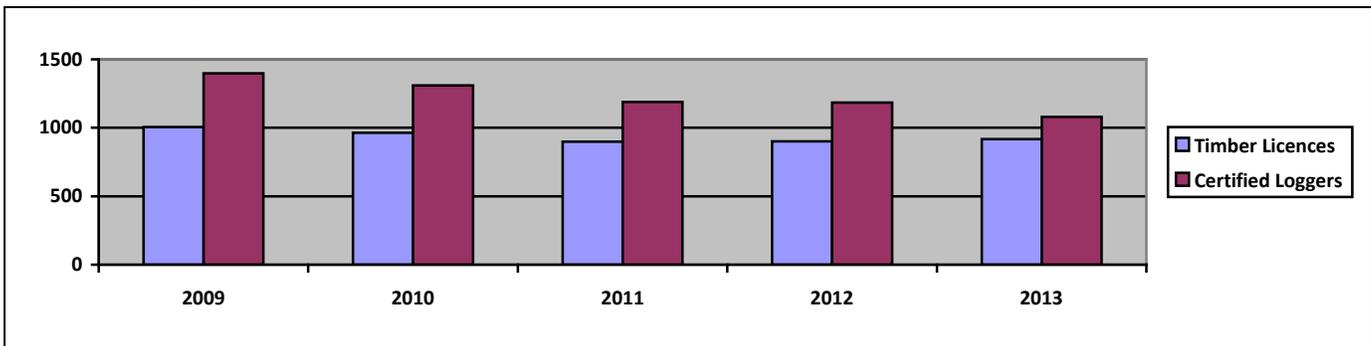


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The following accomplishments reflect the Division of Forestry's effort to operate more efficiently in carrying out the mandates of the Logging Sediment Control Act, the WV Flood Protection Plan and also meet the goals and actions listed in the West Virginia Forest Resources and Strategies Plan as well as the FMRC Strategic Plan. Activities of special interest for the year include the development of Legislation for the 2014 session. This legislation if enacted will streamline our civil penalties and develop efficiencies in charging violators and collecting those funds. Additionally an extra criminal charge would be added for failure to reclaim. Another important project to note is the complete implementation and establishment of LONIE (Logging Operation Notification, Inspection and Enforcement) which is a web based system by which to report and track all logging related paperwork and activities in the state. This system has greatly streamlined our paperwork and reporting and allows for more up to date information for reporting.

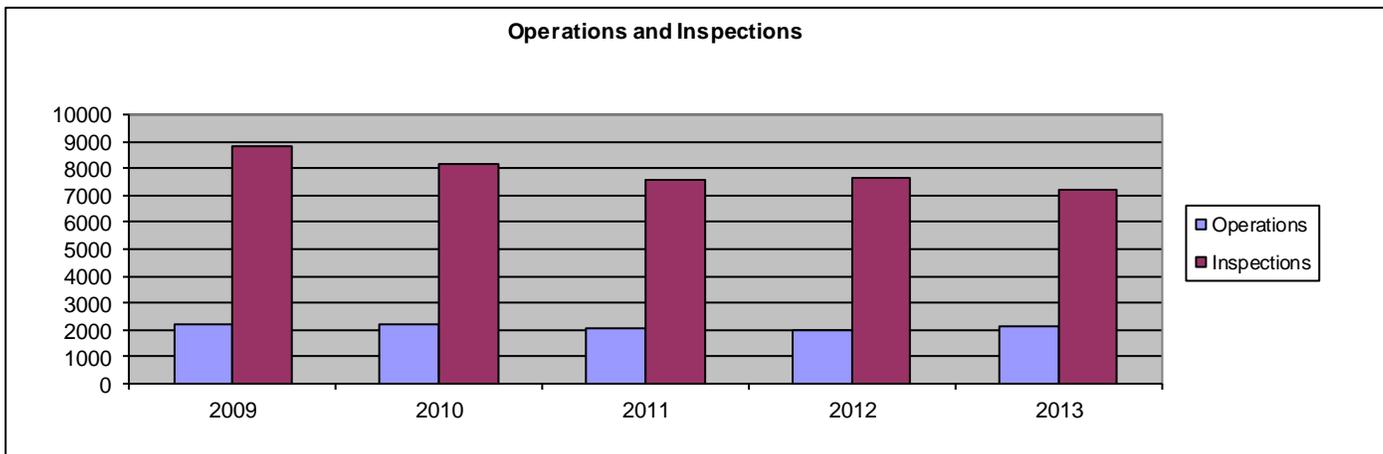
### Licensing

- 918 operators were licensed by the WV Division of Forestry (WVDOP) to perform timbering operations, buy standing timber or buy logs for resale.
- 1,080 professional loggers were issued certified logger certificates to supervise logging operations and assure that Best Management Practices were applied, chain-saw safety was stressed, and first aid/CPR was available in case of an accident.



### Logging Operations/Inspections

- 2,109 logging start notifications were filed by timber operators.
- 7,239 site inspections were performed by the WVDOP.

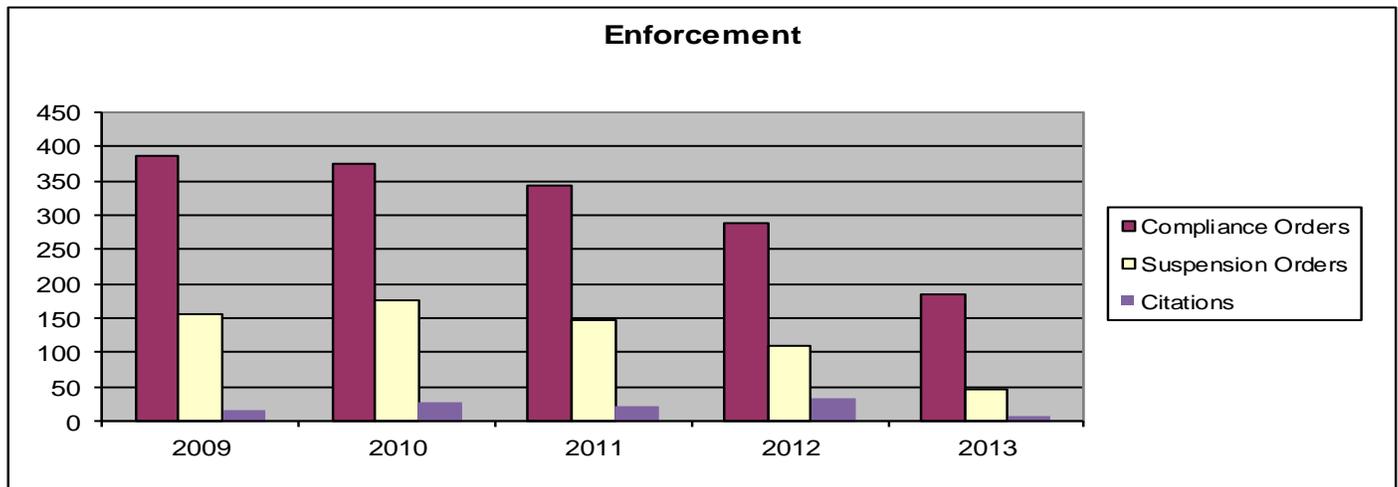


## Training

- 50 workshops were held and 1032 individuals were trained or retrained in Best Management Practices and the LSCA.
- The Best Management Practices training modules continue to be updated and revised.
- Current Training modules include:
  - Best Management Practices Instruction
  - Road and Operations Planning
    - Topographic Map Reading
    - Impacts of Soil Types
    - Positive and negative control points to use or avoid
  - Safety
    - Chainsaw and Tree Felling
    - Equipment
    - OSHA Requirements
    - Fatality Assessment by WVU (This program has been terminated)
  - Quarantine Information from the Dept. of Ag. for Exotic Pests
  - Sustainable Forestry Initiative
    - Sustainable Forestry
    - Endangered Species
    - Forestry Aesthetics

## Logging Enforcement

- 184 Compliance Orders, 45 Suspension Orders and 7 citations were issued to individuals/companies holding certified logger and timbering licenses.



## Logger of Excellence

- 165 Loggers qualified for Logger of Excellence for the year. Of those 22 were 5 year consecutive repeats Loggers of Excellence. They will be honored at Forestry Day and at the AB Brooks Forestry Symposium.