

## **ADMINISTRATIVE-LEGAL ANALYSIS OF THE CONCEPTS AND CONTENTS OF THE DEFINITION «FOREST PROTECTION»**

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*This article examines the theoretical approaches to the study of the concept and maintenance of "Forest Protection" definition. The role of scientific researches is shown at determination and differentiation of concepts "Protection", "Forest Protection", " Forests Protection". The characteristic features of the Forest, as the base of surrounding-natural environment are exposed.*

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The **purpose** of the article is to study and analyze the theoretical approaches to the definition and content of the definition "Forest Protection". Researches of scientific works, whose authors have considered the definition of "forest protection" as a separate category. Disclosure of the characteristic features of the forest, as the basis of environmental natural environment.

The study of theoretical approaches of the concept of "Protection" in the legal sense was engaged in such scientists as O.F. Skakun, O. I. Kharitonova, P.V. Melnik, R.B. Shyshka, and deeper research of concept "Forest Protection" was paid attention by such scientists V.P. Tkach, I.A. Dmitrenko, V. I. Andreyceva and other. Implicitly, the forest is the main component of natural environment and like any natural object is

characterized by appropriate signs: biological, ecological, economic and legal.

The main and first-ever event of forests protection is creation of strong legal foundation of their rational use and guard, namely: development and acceptance of appropriate forest legislation, as well as their timely updating depending on the needs of life. Forestry legislation has always been regarded as an important means of rational Use and Protection of Forests. However, in practice quite a bit offences were assumed in relation to the forests.

Protection is the prevention of forest fires, prevention of violations of the rules of forests use or the implementation of illegal logging, as an integral form of interaction between nature and society.

To implement the guard and protection of forests on the territory of Ukraine operates the State Forest Protection; Forest protection specially authorized organs of forestry and forest protection service, other permanent forest users.

Therefore, the definition of "Forest Protection" is a set of powers and functions vested in the state authorities to perform their duties concerning the protection, use and reproduction of forests.