Sveaskog partner up with AirForestry

Sveaskog has been an important partner from an early stage in AirForestry's development. When entering the company's next development phase the cooperation is now deepening ahead.

Sveaskog owns 14 percent of the Swedish forest land and thus is the country's largest forest owner. This makes them an important player in forestry with great influence over its development.

AirForestry is an innovative company that uses electric drones to create a sustainable, long-term and efficient forestry for the future. From the start, Sveaskog has been an important partner who assisted with key expertise while being a sounding board in developing early prototypes of AirForestry's technical solutions.

AirForestry's CEO Olle Gelin says:

"Sveaskog has been involved from the drawing board to where we are today. They saw the value in our innovation from day one and have created enormous opportunities for a startup company like AirForestry to succeed with technical development. Partly by letting us test our technology in their thinning forest, partly by contributing financially to be able to produce prototypes at an early stage. We are very happy to be able to collaborate with Sveaskog, who share our visions of sustainable forestry."

AirForestry has created a solution for thinning forests from the air. Thinning is a central method in forestry, smaller trees are removed to make room for the stronger trees to grow larger. Electric harvesting drones controlled from an operator station make it possible to thin forest without damaging land or the surrounding trees. This means a huge difference in terms of the burden on the forest environment and the climate compared to today's thinning, which is carried out with heavy ground-going machines that usually are diesel-powered.
The collaboration with Sveaskog will be deepened in the coming years.

“At Sveaskog we want to be a leader in sustainable forestry and we want to be involved in supporting and developing new, gentle and more efficient methods in forestry. What AirForestry does is an innovation for future forestry”, says Anders Järlesjö, Head of Forest Technology at Sveaskog.

AirForestry was founded in 2020 and provides solutions for forest management that with the help of electric drones can thin out trees from the air. AirForestry reduces the need for access roads, eliminates the consumption of diesel, and provides a better working environment for those who work in the forest.