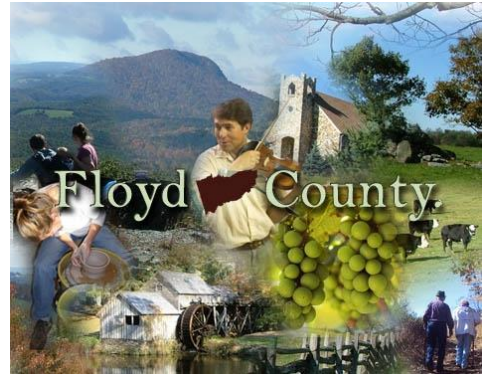


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**Money Grows on Trees: How to Profit from your Timber and Woods**

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What do you need to know before for selling your timber? What are some non-timber forestry products you could grow and sell? How could you improve your timber stand? These questions and many more will be answered at the Floyd County Forestry Night on Thursday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Floyd Event Center at the Floyd Eco Village. For those who RSVP, a light meal will be available beginning at 6 p.m. and speakers start at 6:30 p.m. and will wrap up by 8:30 p.m.

This event is being sponsored by the Floyd County Agriculture and Forestry Advisory Council, which helps support and inform the Floyd County Economic Development Authority. The Council sponsors an event each year to help local residents learn more about income opportunities from agriculture and forestry and to learn about local businesses in those sectors.

Speakers at this year's event will include Dennis Anderson, Senior Area Forester with the Virginia Department of Forestry, and Dana Beegle, co-owner of Stone Root Farm in Floyd. Dana is also pursuing her master's degree in agro-forestry at the Virginia Tech College of Natural Resources. Agroforestry is the intentional integration of trees into crop and animal farming systems to create multiple benefits from environmental, economic, and social benefits, according to the US Department of Agriculture.

The evening will also include information on cost-share programs for forestry as well as information on specialty products such as decorative branches, moss, and bark.

If you are interested in attending please email Lydeana Martin at [lmartin@floydcova.org](mailto:lmartin@floydcova.org) or call 745-9300 to register by Thursday, October 27<sup>th</sup> at Noon.