



Virginia Forest Landowner e-Update

March 2017

Featured Events

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- March 23, Lynchburg
- March 30, Amherst
- April 6, Bedford

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[Preparing for Generation NEXT Workshop](#)

- Roanoke, May 5
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[Beginning Landowner Weekend Retreats](#)

- Appomattox, March 17-19
- Abingdon, August 18-20
- Providence Forge, September 22-24

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- Spring 2017

Visit the [Events Calendar](#) for details!

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Good morning Forest e-Update Subscribers,

There are so many upcoming landowner program, there's not much room for chit-chat here. But there is one important update for landowners/foresters/loggers in Wythe County –

The Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (VDACS) has expanded the Virginia Gypsy Moth Quarantine (2VAC5-330) to include the county of Wythe. This action became necessary after surveys indicated an increase in gypsy moth populations in Wythe County. Once established, the gypsy moth has the potential to spread to uninfested areas, either through natural means or through the artificial movement of infested articles. The quarantine is intended to prevent the artificial spread of this pest. Under the terms of the quarantine, trees with roots, shrubs with roots, (except if greenhouse grown throughout the year), logs and pulpwood, (except if moved to a mill operation under a compliance agreement), firewood, mobile homes and associated equipment, and cut Christmas trees are prohibited from moving out of the quarantined area unless articles are certified as gypsy moth free.

Businesses moving regulated articles should contact VDACS at: Phone: (804) 786-3515; Hearing Impaired: (800) 828-1120.

Until the Spring 2017 [Virginia Forest Landowner Update](#) comes out next month, enjoy this warm weather. Hope to see you all at programs this year!

Upcoming Landowner Programs

Virginia Cooperative Extension

Puts university knowledge into the hands of people.

Virginia Department of Forestry

Learn about cost-share programs, forest management options, buy seedlings, and find your local forester.

Virginia Sustainable Forestry Initiative State Implementation Committee

The American Tree Farm System

Virginia Forestry Association

**Forest Stewardship Program
USDA Forest Service**

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Canopy Counts: Planning for and Protecting our Urban Forests

- March 8
- **Virginia Western Community College, Roanoke**

Pennsylvania Forests Webinar Seminar Series

- March 14 – Creating Age Diversity in Forests
- April 11 – Forest Fermentables
- May 9 – Raising Wild Kids
- June 13 – Assessing and Promoting Successful Regeneration in Your Woodland

Forest Health Webinar Seminar Series

- **March 29 – Hemlock Woolly Adelgid**
- **April 19 – Southern Pine Beetle**
- **May 17 – Weather Variability & Forest Health**

Additional Webinars

- March 22 – **Silvicultural Aspects of Longleaf Pine**
- March 22 – **Monitoring for Reptiles and Amphibians**
- March 22 – **Effects of Drought on Recreation and Wilderness**

Women and Land Conservation Learning Circles

- **Harrisonburg**
 - Three Wednesdays, March 8, April 5, and April 19
 - **Farm Credit of the Virginias office, Harrisonburg**
- Farmville/Blackstone
 - Three Tuesdays, April 11, May 9, and June 6
 - Locations vary by date. See: **<https://www.farmland.org/initiatives>**

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If you are a person with a disability and desire assistance or accommodation, please notify Jenifer Gagnon at 540/231-6391/TDD* during business hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. TDD number is (800) 828-1120.

[/mid-atlantic-women-and-the-future-of-farming](#) for details

Emerald Ash Borer and Other Tree Pests – Woodlot Series

- March 23, **Central Virginia Community College**, Lynchburg
- March 30, **St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church**, Amherst
- April 6, **Claytor Nature Study Center**, Bedford

Community Resources for Woodland Owners – Learn how to Save Money on Taxes, Earn Money from Timber, and Improve the Health of your Woodlands

- March 25, **Heartwood Gallery**, Abingdon
- April 8, **Domtar Mill**, Kingsport, TN

2017 Virginia Forestry Summit

- May 3-5, **Hotel Roanoke**, Roanoke
- There will be a special landowner track Thursday morning, a landowner field trip Thursday afternoon, and a 4-hour Friday morning workshop on how to keep your land intact, in forest, and in the family.

2017 Christmas Tree Primer

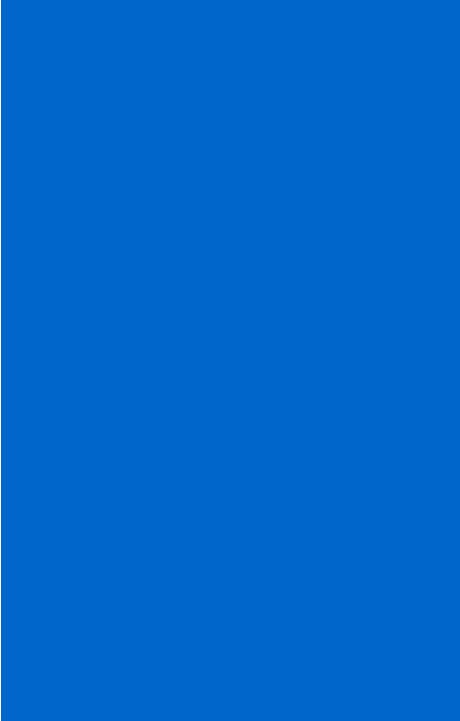
- March 31
- Warrenton-Fauquier Visitor Center, Warrenton
- For those interested in beginning a Christmas Tree business

2017 Beginning Landowner Weekend Retreats

- March 17-19, Central Virginia, **Holiday Lake 4-H Educational Center**, Appomattox
- August 18-20, Southwest Virginia, **SW VA 4-H Educational Center**, Abingdon
- September 22-24, Southeast Virginia, **New Kent Forestry Center**, Providence Forge

Preparing for Generation NEXT –

- May 5th - Hotel Roanoke, Roanoke

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- Central Virginia, dates and locations TBD
 - Southeast Virginia, dates and locations TBD
 - August 22 & 29, Montgomery County, VA

On-line Woodland Options for Landowners

- Registration will open in March
- Class will begin May 15

More events will be posted when available on the **Virginia Forest Landowner Education Program's Events Calendar**.

All the best,
Jennifer