

## SW Virginia Beginning Woodland Owners' Retreat May 19-20, Matthews State Forest, Galax, VA

### Thursday May 18

6:00 – 7:30	<b>Check in for lodging</b> Note – dinner on your own	Matthews State Forest Office
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### Friday May 19

7:30 – 8:15	<b>Breakfast and Check-in</b>	Matthews State Forest Office
8:15 – 8:30	<b>Welcome and Introductions</b>	Ellen Powell Virginia Department of Forestry
8:30 – 8:45	<b>Setting Your Goals</b>	Jennifer Gagnon Virginia Tech
8:45 – 9:30	<b>Forest Management Planning</b>	Donnie Garman Virginia Department of Forestry
9:30 – 9:45	<b>Break</b>	
9:45 – 10:45	<b>Timber Sales</b>	TBD Consulting Forester
10:45 – 11:30	<b>Wildlife Habitat Management</b>	Andy Rosenberger VDWR/NRCS/CMI
11:30 -12:30	<b>Lunch</b>	
12:30 – 4:00	<b>Tour of Matthews State Forest</b>	Zach Olinger Virginia Department of Forestry
4:00 – 4:15	<b>Break</b>	
4:15 – 5:15	<b>Growing Shiitake Mushrooms</b>	Bill Worrell Virginia Cooperative Extension
5:15 – 6:15	<b>Dinner</b>	
6:15 – 7:15	<b>Optional Movie</b>	

### Saturday May 20

7:30 – 8:00	<b>Breakfast</b>	
8:00 – 8:15	<b>Debrief from tour, Door prizes</b>	Ellen Powell Virginia Department of Forestry
8:30 – 10:00	<b>Field session 1: Measuring and Valuing Your Trees</b>	Jennifer Gagnon Virginia Tech
10:00 – 10:15	<b>Break</b>	
10:15 – 11:45	<b>Field session 2: Tree ID</b>	Ellen Powell Virginia Department of Forestry
11:45 – 12:00	<b>Evaluations and Wrap-up</b>	Bill Worrell Virginia Cooperative Extension
12:00	<b>Lunch on your own</b>	

**Thank you and safe travels home!**

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