

# Central Virginia Beginning Woodland Owner Retreat

## March 28-29, 2025

<b>Date/Time</b>	<b>Topic/Activity</b>	<b>Speaker</b>	<b>Agency/Company</b>	<b>Location</b>
<b>Thursday March 27</b>				
6:00 – 7:30	Check in for onsite lodging			Dining Hall Foyer
<b>Friday March 28</b>				
7:15 – 8:00	Check in/Breakfast			Dining Hall Foyer
8:15 – 8:30	<b>Welcome &amp; Introductions</b>	Ellen Powell	Virginia Department of Forestry	Classroom
8:30 – 8:45	<b>Setting Your Goals &amp; Objectives</b>	Jennifer Gagnon	Virginia Tech	Classroom
8:45 – 9:30	<b>Planning to Manage Your Woods</b>	Tom Snoddy	Virginia Department of Forestry	Classroom
9:30 – 9:45	Break			Classroom/Dining Hall Foyer
9:45 – 10:45	<b>Wildlife Management</b>	TBD	Virginia Department of Wildlife Resources	Classroom
10:45 – 11:30	<b>What to Expect from a Timber Sale/Harvest</b>	Luke Shenk	Ridgeline Forestry Company, LLC	Classroom
11:30 – 12:30	<b>Lunch</b>			Dining Hall
12:30 – 1:30	<b>Forest Health Review</b>	DeWitt	Virginia Department of Forestry	Classroom
1:30 – 1:45	Break/Prepare for Field Trip			Classroom/Dining Hall Foyer
1:45 – 5:00	<b>Tour of Appomattox-Buckingham State Forest</b>	Shannon Lewis	Virginia Department of Forestry	Field
5:15 – 6:15	Dinner			Dining Hall
6:15 – 7:15	<b>Movie (Optional)</b>			Classroom
<b>Saturday March 29</b>				
7:15 – 8:00	Breakfast			Dining Hall
8:15 – 8:30	<b>Debrief from Tour</b>	Ellen Powell	Virginia Department of Forestry	Classroom
8:30 – 10:00	<b>Field Session 1: Tree Identification</b>	Ellen Powell	Virginia Department of Forestry	Classroom/Field
10:00 – 10:15	<b>Break</b>			Dining Hall Foyer
10:15 – 11:45	<b>Field Session 2: How Big are My Trees? How Much are they Worth?</b>	Jennifer Gagnon	Virginia Tech	Field
11:45 – 12:00	<b>Evaluations/Wrap Up</b>	Jennifer Gagnon	Virginia Tech	Dining Hall
12:00	Lunch/Program ends			Dining Hall