

Virginia Forest Landowner e-Update

August 2021

Featured Events

Fifteen Minutes in the Forest

- Moving to an every-other week schedule!
- Join us live at 12:15 on [Facebook](#) or on [ZOOM](#)
- [Save the Dates Flier](#)
- August 9 – Precommercial Thinning
- August 20 - Emerald Ash Borer Treatment
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Legacy Planning Webinar Series

- Fall Series
 - September 8, 9, 15 & 16
 - 3 – 4:30 p.m.
- [Agenda](#)
- All participants will receive a copy of the brand-new [Legacy Planning; A Guide for](#)

Good morning Forest Update Subscribers,

We are busy gearing up for a fall of in-person woodland owner education programs. It's funny how quickly you get out of a habit – 15 years of doing in-person programming, then after just 1 year of doing things differently and it seems like that's how it has always been. But I'm very much looking forward to getting out and seeing our beautiful Virginia woodlands (and wonderful woodland owners!) again. Since we'll remain in accordance with all current COVID-19 guidelines, we may need to make program adjustments (i.e. transportation) as circumstances evolve.

And don't worry – we'll continue to offer some of our programs virtually. It is an efficient way to reach absentee landowners and younger woodland owners who are still working full-time.

Featured Programs:

Registrants who provide a current e-mail address will receive a confirmation e-mail one week prior to the program occurring.

See the complete list on our [Events Calendar](#).

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- September 3 – Site Preparation for Pine
- September 17 – TBA
- October 1 – A Tour of Maple Trees
- October 15 - TBA
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[Virginia Landowners book](#)

- [Register online](#) - \$25/family

Field Trip for Online Woodland Options Participants

- Aug. 13, [Holiday Lake 4 H Educational Center](#)
- [Register online](#) (previous & current OWO participants only please)

[Virginia Forestry Summit](#)

- September 28 - October 2
- Hotel Madison, Harrisonburg
- [Program details and registration](#)

[Fall Forestry & Wildlife Field Tours](#)

- Oct. 14 - Cumberland County
- Oct. 19 – Sussex County
- Oct. 27 - Rockbridge & Botetourt Counties
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Visit the [Events Calendar](#) for details!

nor am I making any money off them. My apologies! Fortunately, they are short.

Field Trips for Online Woodland Options Participants

We are happy to finally be able to offer hands-on, in-person capstone field trips for participants in the Online Woodland Options for Landowners classes. Registration is free – but you must be a current or past Online Woodland Options student. Topics will include tree identification, measuring and valuing trees, and a tour of active woodland management practices.

We have two field trip options:

- Aug. 13, [Holiday Lake 4 H Educational Center](#)
- Late Fall - [James Madison's Montpelier](#) (Saturday date!)
- [Register online](#)

Once you click SUBMIT on the registration form, your registration is complete. The form will take you to a payment page – simply ignore and close your browser.

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[Beginning Woodland Owner Retreats](#)

Join the Virginia Department of Forestry and Virginia Cooperative Extension for these 1.5 day immersive experiences into sustainable woodland and wildlife management. A combination of indoor presentation, hands-on activities, and field trips make these educational and fun.

- Southwest Virginia
 - August 27-28
 - [Matthews State Forest](#), Galax
 - [Register online](#)
 - [Register by mail](#)
 - [Agenda](#)
 - On-site lodging is full for this event
- Southeast Virginia
 - September 23-24

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- [New Kent Forestry Center](#), Providence Forge
- [Register online](#)
- [Register by mail](#)
- [Agenda](#)

Central Virginia

- October 22-23
- [Holiday Lake 4-H Educational Center](#), Appomattox
- [Register online](#)
- [Register by mail](#)
- Agenda coming soon

[Spotted Lanternfly Training Course for Christmas Tree Growers](#)

Are you a current Christmas tree grower want want to learn how to protect your valuable crop from the spotted lanternfly? Then this course is for you.

- September 10
- 9 – 12:00
- MidAtlantic Farm Credit, Winchester
- Free
- [Agenda](#)
- Contact Kyle Peer to register, krpeer@vt.edu, 276-694-4135

[New Christmas Tree Growers Meeting](#)

Are you interested in growing Christmas trees? Learn how to get started with this hands-on workshop.

- September 11
- 8:45 -1:00
- Valley Star Farm, Luray
- \$15 (includes lunch)
- [Register by mail by September 7th](#)

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Upcoming Webinars

- August 4, 12:00 - [The Greatest Transfer of Land Since the King's Grants Is Underway: What Are Resource Professionals to Do?](#)
- August 24, 12:00 - [Controlling Japanese Knotweed in Parks and Landscapes](#)
- Many other topics on demand at the [Forestry Webinar Portal](#)

All the best,

Jennifer

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