

# Virginia Forest Landowner e-Update

## November 2022

### Featured Events

#### Fifteen Minutes in the Forest

- Nov. 4 – Autumn Leaf Color
- Join us live every other Friday at 12:15 on [Facebook](#), [ZOOM](#), or [YouTube Premier](#)

#### Learn to Burn

- November 10 - Dublin
- 9 – 5:00
- **2 spots remain!**
- [Register online](#)

#### 2023 Events

#### Woods & Wildlife Conferences

- Feb. 11, Wytheville
- Feb. 25, Culpeper
- Agendas and registration available in January

#### Introduction to Forest Carbon Markets

- March 3

Good morning Forest Update Subscribers,

This past month has been a blur...a bright red, orange, gold, and purple blur. The fall colors – along with the weather – have been spectacular! I'm so fortunate to be able to witness this season across Virginia every October – from the mountains to the coastal plain – thanks to our annual [Fall Forestry & Wildlife Field Tours](#). Virginia Tech's videographer Ray Meese joined us on our Smyth-Washington County Tour and created [this lovely video](#).

Of course, the other wonderful part of October is getting to spend time with so many Virginia woodland owners on our Tours. This year we had over 130 participants, who own almost 10,000 acres, attend one of the three tours. Private individuals and families like yourselves are the largest landowner group in Virginia. Collectively, the forest and wildlife management decisions you make have a huge impact on the health and productivity of Virginia's forests. We are grateful for your participation in our programs and your interest in learning more about the resources you steward.

Whether you've been to multiple events or none at all, I invite you to attend one of our upcoming educational opportunities listed below.

#### **Upcoming Landowner Education Programs**

Check out the [Events Calendar](#) for a complete listing.

#### **Fifteen Minutes in the Forest**

This program was recently featured on Virginia Water Radio! [Listen here](#).

- Fifteen Minutes in the Forest videos are shown every other Friday.
- Join us live at 12:15 on [Facebook](#), [ZOOM](#), [YouTube Premier](#)
- Nov. 4 – Autumn Leaf Color

- Chester and Virtual
- Agenda and registration available in January

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

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#### **Learn to Burn: Using Fire to Manage Your Land**

Back by popular demand! Whether you are a single tract landowner or manage thousands of acres, prescribed fire training should be part of your land management plan. Burning should be conducted in such a way to ensure that your management objectives will be met, while minimizing the likelihood for escaped fire and smoke liability. This one-day workshop will outline benefits of using fire as a management tool on your property, where to go and who to contact when you need assistance, and how burns are conducted safely and successfully using the equipment you have on hand. You will also have the chance to actively participate in a prescribed burn (conditions permitting).

- November 10
- [Randolph Park](#), Dublin
- 9 – 5:00
- \$15 – includes lunch
- 2 spots remain!
- Register [online](#)

#### **Landowner Woods & Wildlife Conferences**

Over 10 million acres of Virginia's woods are privately owned. The Woods & Wildlife Conferences provide information, tools, and personal contacts to help private woodland owners keep their woods, and the wildlife that live in them, healthy and productive. A variety of topics are offered to appeal to owners of both small and large tracts, and both new and experienced owners.

- Feb. 11
  - [Wytheville Meeting Center](#), Wytheville
- Feb. 25
  - [Daniel Technology Center](#), Culpeper
- Agendas and registration available in January

#### **Introduction to Forest Carbon Markets**

Forest carbon markets are expanding rapidly in the commonwealth. If you are a forester, landowner, county leader, or just interested in the topic, this Introduction to Forest Carbon Markets Conference may be for you. At this conference, you will: Learn how forest carbon markets work; Hear about opportunities for private woodland owners to participate; Be introduced to a decision-making tool that will

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help determine which, if any, carbon programs are suitable for your land and management goals; Hear from woodland owner with experience participating in carbon markets.

- March 3, 2023
- [Brightpoint Community College](#), Chester
- A virtual option will also be available
- Agenda and registration available in January

Hope to see you out and about!

Jennifer

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