

# Virginia Forest Landowner e-Update

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## Featured Events

### Fifteen Minutes in the Forest

- Oct. 7 Silvo-poultry Update
- Oct. 21 Golden-winged Warbler
- Join us live every other Friday at 12:15 on [Facebook](#), [ZOOM](#), or [YouTube Premier](#)

### 2022 Legacy Planning

- Southwest
  - Oct. 27
  - 8:30 – 4:00
  - Galax
- Southeast
  - November 2
  - 6 - 9:00 p.m.
  - Providence Forge
- Register [online](#) for all programs
- Register [by mail](#) for all programs

### Fall Forestry & Wildlife Field Tours

- Oct. 7 – Amelia-Henrico-

Good morning Forest Update Subscribers,

**Correction!** After I sent out the e-Update last month, I was informed that the information about Farm Use Tags on the DMV's website was not correct. [Please see this document for the correct information.](#)

Fall has arrived and it's hard to believe we're almost to the end of 2022. In fact, the [Fall 2022 Virginia Forest Landowner Update newsletter](#) is now available. In this volume:

#### [Tools for Sustainably Managing your Hardwoods](#)

Over the past year, the Virginia Forest Landowner Update (<https://forestupdate.frec.vt.edu/newsletter/archives.html>) has featured articles outlining the history of exploitation and recovery of Virginia's hardwood forests, the current state of the resource, and the many challenges it faces. This article will wrap up the series with a review and a discussion of the tools and resources available to help private woodland owners improve the health and productivity of their hardwood forests. [More...](#)

#### [Plant More Trees for Cleaner Water](#)

Everyone needs water to live and Virginia is fortunate to have an abundant supply (Figure 1). Virginia's rivers provide irrigation for crops, water supply for various types of manufacturing, and energy through hydroelectric power. Over 30,000 miles of creeks, streams, and rivers provide endless recreational opportunities including fishing, canoeing, kayaking, swimming, and wildlife viewing. In addition, the waters of the commonwealth provide drinking water to residents either through private wells or municipal water supplies. Access to water, particularly clean water, is important for human health, environmental health, and economic growth. [More...](#)

[The Virginia Forest Landowner Update is getting a facelift!](#) After 20+ years of rocking the same look, the printed

Powhatan – Reg, closed

- Oct. 14 – Smyth & Washington
- Oct. 28 - Louisa
- [Full itineraries](#)
- [Register online](#)
- [Register by mail](#)

### **Tree Farm Foundation Tours**

- Oct. 6 – Franklin – Reg. closed
- Oct. 21 – Mecklenburg
- [Register online](#)
- [Details and register by mail](#)

### **Learn to Burn**

- November 10 - Dublin
- 9 – 5:00
- [Register online](#)
- [Register by mail](#)

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

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### **VFLEP Partners & Sponsors**

- [Virginia Cooperative Extension](#)
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- [Virginia Sustainable Forestry Initiative State Implementation Committee](#)

VFLU will ring in 2023 with a fresh look plus an interactive and dynamic digital version.

### **Events Calendar**

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

We have a bounty of landowner education programs coming up this fall. 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](#)
- Oct. 7 – Silvo-poultry Update
- Oct. 21 – Golden-winged Warbler
- Nov. 4 – Autumn Leaf Color
- [Watch archived on our YouTube Channel](#)

#### **2022 Legacy Planning**

Join the Generation NEXT Team and experienced conservation, legal, and financial advisors to learn how to pass your land on to the next generation while keeping it intact, in forest, and in family. Online registration opens 8 weeks prior to each event.

All programs are \$25/person; \$40/family  
Register [online](#) for all programs

- Southwest
  - Oct. 27
  - 8:30 – 4:00
  - [Matthews State Forest](#), Galax
  - [Agenda](#)
  - Register [by mail](#)
- Southeast
  - November 2
  - 6-9:00 p.m.
  - [New Kent Forestry Center](#), Providence Forge
  - [Agenda](#)
  - Register [by mail](#)

- [Virginia Tree Farm Foundation](#)
- [Virginia Forestry Association](#)
- [Forest Stewardship Program](#)
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## Fall Forestry & Wildlife Field Tours

Join landowners, natural resource professionals, and other outdoor lovers for day-long tours that explore a variety of sustainable forestry and wildlife management practices.

Tours visit private, public, and industry-owned lands.

- October 7 – Amelia-Henrico-Powhatan Counties – Registration closed
- October 14 – Smyth & Washington Counties
- October 28 – Louisa County
- [Full itineraries](#)
- Register [online](#)
- Register [by mail](#)

## Virginia Tree Farm Tours

First, VFLEP is excited to announce that the Tree Farm Tour series will be resumed this fall. Two tours (that include lunch) are scheduled. The first will provide a rare opportunity for a behind-the-scenes tour of an operating sawmill. Most people do not get the opportunity to see first-hand how their trees are made into solid wood products. The second tour will be of a privately-owned Tree Farm in Mecklenburg County.

- Thursday October 6 – Franklin Lumber – Registration closed
- Friday October 21 – Wright Forestry LLC, Mecklenburg County
- \$10/person includes lunch
- Register [online](#)
- Tour details and register [by mail](#)

## 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
- Register [online](#)
- Register [by mail](#)

**Programs by partner organizations:**

**[Blue Ridge PRISM](#)**

Blue Ridge PRISM's 2022 Workshops are a blend of two virtual sessions and an optional in-person field session. Register for the virtual sessions or a field session or both!

- **Introduction to Invasive Plants and Identification**
  - October 12
  - 1 – 3:00
  - Virtual
  - \$10
  - Register [online](#)
- **Control of Invasive Plants**
  - October 13
  - 1 – 3:00
  - Virtual
  - \$10
  - Register [online](#)
- **In-Person Field Session**
  - October 15
  - 12:30 – 3:30
  - Pen Park, Charlottesville
  - \$25
  - Register [online](#)
- **Fall Meeting – Homegrown National Park with Doug Tallamy**
  - October 18
  - 11:30 – 1:00
  - Virtual
  - Free
  - Please [preregister](#)

Hope to see you this fall!

Jennifer

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