

Agenda

8:00 Registration

9:00 Welcome – Don Peterson, Wisconsin Consulting Foresters (WCF)

9:10 State of Forestry – Paul DeLong, WDNR – Chief State Forester

9:50 Break (20 min.)

10:10 Forest Products Industry – Panel Discussion & Q/A

Timothy Pulskamp, Vice-Chair, Wisconsin Sustainable Forestry Initiative (SFI)

Scott Sawle, Director, Lake States Lumber Association (LSLA)

Henry Schienebeck, Executive Director, Great Lakes Timber Producers Association (GLTPA)

Moderator: Paul DeLong, WDNR Chief State Forester

11:30 Lunch

BREAKOUT SESSIONS

–Please choose one session per time slot, you are welcome to move between rooms between sessions–

Time	Salon A	Salon B	Salon C
12:30	GIS/GPS Technological Advances for Forestry – Adam Sutherland, Blandin Paper	Technical Service Providers – Andrew Hart, NRCS	Tax Law Dispute Resolution Process – Jessie Augustyn, GLTPA & Ron Gropp, WDNR
1:30	Forest Practices Study – Henry Schienebeck, GLTPA & Jane Severt, WCFA	Good Neighbor Authority – Jeff Olsen, WDNR	How to Avoid Shootin’ From the Lips: An Introduction to Crucial Conversations – Julie Graziano, WDNR
2:30	GIS/GPS Technological Advances for Forestry (re-run) – Adam Sutherland, Blandin Paper	Revised Oak Harvesting Guidelines – Kyoko Scanlon, WDNR	How to Avoid Shootin’ From the Lips: An Introduction to Crucial Conversations (re-run) – Julie Graziano, WDNR

3:30 Adjourn

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The 2016 Annual Cooperating Forester Statewide meeting qualifies for 5.5 continuing education (CE) hours, 5.0 SAF CFE (Category 1) hours, and 4.0 SFI / FISTA continuing education hours.

2016 Annual Statewide Cooperating Forester Meeting: Breakout Sessions



Salon A: 12:30 and 2:30 (repeat)

GIS/GPS Technological Advances for Forestry

This session will cover new advances in GIS and GPS for forestry.

Presenter: Adam Sutherland

Adam holds a position as wood procurement forester at UPM Blandin Paper Company in Grand Rapids, MN. He is responsible for procuring 80,000 cords of wood annually from Itasca, Koochiching, and Beltrami counties in northern MN. Adam received his BS in Natural Resource Management from the University of Minnesota in 2005 with an emphasis in GIS. He has held a forestry position with UPM-Blandin since 2005 and is currently working on an MBA degree with an expected graduation of Spring 2016.

Salon A: 1:30

Forest Practices Study

The goal of Wisconsin's Forest Practices Study is to obtain research results which will help guide decisions and policy development for investment in forest-based manufacturing industries in Wisconsin, while ensuring that social and ecological benefits provided by Wisconsin's forests remain viable for future generations. Great Lakes Timber Professionals Association (GLTPA) and Wisconsin County Forests Association (WCFA) were awarded a grant to jointly conduct the Wisconsin Forest Practices Study. Henry Schienebeck, Executive Director for GLTPA currently serves as Chair of Wisconsin Council on Forestry. Jane Severt, Executive Director for WCFA currently serves as Vice-Chair of Wisconsin Council on Forestry. This session will update participants on the current status of Wisconsin's Forest Practices Study.

Presenters: Henry Schienebeck and Jane Severt

Henry is a 3rd generation logger from Butternut, WI. He is a Master Logger and has spent 32 years working in forest industry as a logger and trucker before taking on his current position.

Jane holds a B.S. in forest management and has worked as a county forest administrator in both Ashland and Lincoln Counties.

Salon B: 12:30

Technical Service Providers

This session will cover the basics of forestry practices available for EQIP and an introduction in to becoming a Technical Service Provider (TSP) with NRCS.

Presenter: Andy Hart

Andrew Hart grew up in Green Bay, WI and attended University of WI Stevens Point. He worked seasonally for the US Forest Service in Alaska and S. Dakota before attending graduate school for Forest Economics and Policy focusing on economic development. He then worked a number of years with the US Forest Service in Colorado, Idaho, and California. His focus had been timber sale design and administration. He then served two years in the US Peace Corps Mexico working with the Mexican Government on forestry community development. Upon his return to the US he worked one year in the Upper Peninsula prior to accepting the NRCS State Forester position in Madison in April 2015.

Salon B: 1:30

Good Neighbor Authority

This session will cover GNA in Wisconsin, what is it and how are we doing

Presenter: Jeff Olsen

Jeff Olsen works with the WDNR in the Northern Highland American Legion State Forest (NHAL) as a Natural Resources Region Team Supervisor. His main duties include planning and operational management of the Forestry program on the NHAL State Forest. Temporarily he has been assigned GNA position as the Operations Manager for the startup of this new program in WI.

Past work history includes 16 years with the paper industry working for a number of companies that began with Nekoosa Papers. Working in the same office, he experienced takeovers by Georgia Pacific Corp and Tenneco Packaging which is now Packaging Corp. of America. His work was in lands management and as an Area Forester. Prior to that, he was employed as staff forester with Steigerwaldt Land Services and also spent time working for several Tribal Governments in northern Minnesota. His personal interests are focused on recreation in the out of doors and home brewing beer.

Salon B: 2:30

Revised Oak Harvesting Guidelines

Oak Harvesting Guidelines to reduce the risk of introduction and spread of oak wilt were recently revised and implemented on January 1, 2016. The review process involved diverse groups of forestry professionals and their valuable suggestions were incorporated in the guidelines. Although some aspects of the guidelines did not change, there are some important changes to note. This presentation will explain important aspects of the revised guidelines, including when and how the guidelines should be used and examples of situations when you would not need to implement the cutting restrictions due to oak wilt.

Presenter: Kyoko Scanlon

Kyoko Scanlon is forest pathologist with the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources. She works on a variety of forest pest problems, specifically forest disease issues that affect the health of forests in Wisconsin. She was involved in the review process of the oak harvesting guidelines as a facilitator of the Science Sub-Committee and Technical Team.

Salon C: 12:30

Tax Law Dispute Resolution Process

The Tax Law Dispute Resolution Process (DRP) is a stepped, voluntary process designed to achieve consensus based solutions as efficiently and quickly as possible when differences in professional opinion arise between foresters, loggers and landowners. This session will focus on the implementation process, and touch on the Cooperating Forester Dispute Resolution Process.

Presenter Jessie Augustyn and Ron Gropp:

Jessie Augustyn was raised in the Northwoods of Wisconsin. She attended Lawrence University in Appleton, Wisconsin before graduating from Chicago-Kent College of Law in 2008. After a few years of private practice in Chicago, she moved to Madison, where she served as staff for state representative Tom Tiffany. She then worked at the Department of Administration as the Deputy Director of Business Development. Jessie now serves as the legal and policy analyst for the Great Lakes Timber Professionals Association.

Ron grew up in northern Wisconsin and began his career with WDNR in 2007; he currently holds the position of Private Forestry Specialist with the Division of Forestry and works primarily in the Cooperating Forester Program. Prior to returning to Wisconsin in 2007, Ron worked for the Utah DNR – Division of Forestry, Fire & State Lands for 15 years in several positions involving both forest and fire management capacities. Ron graduated from UW – Madison in 1991 with a BS degree in Forest Management.

Salon C: 1:30 and 2:30 (repeat)

How to Avoid Shootin' From the Lip: An Introduction to Crucial Conversations

What if you could learn to recognize what is going on in your toughest conversations so that you can be honest yet at the same time preserve the relationship with the other person? In this session you will be introduced to a body of work called 'crucial conversations'. Crucial conversations offer a set of skills that can help you to create more effective communications that get real results.

Presenter: Julie Graziano

Julie Graziano is seasoned organization development practitioner and professional coach with diversified and progressively complex experiences in the public sector. She is a member of the Division of Forestry's leadership team where she is a proven and tested leadership consultant and change management strategist bringing clarity, meaning, and direction a variety of leadership and management issues facing the Division as well as the rest of agency at large.