

Biltmore Forest School
Cradle of Forestry in America
Woodland Steward Series:
Managing Your Legacy in Coastal North Carolina

Are you a landowner seeking to enhance your financial benefits, enjoyment, and the long term health and value of your woodlands? Do you want to protect your legacy from threats such as fire and invasive species while reducing the costs associated with land management? Are you seeking to enjoy the recreational benefits of your land while being a good steward of the natural resources found there?

Then the Woodland Steward Series is a unique educational opportunity that you cannot afford to miss. It is designed to equip landowners just like you with the tools and resources you need to manage your land and to enrich your experience as a woodland owner.

The Woodland Steward Series consists of 25 hours over 3 workshops, including both hands-on activities in the field and instruction in the classroom. Information on a broad range of management topics will be presented by experts from a variety of public and private agencies. You will benefit from the knowledge, equipment, and expert resources you'll receive to help answer your management questions. Registration includes lunch and workshop-related materials, including a resource notebook full of detailed information on the topics covered.

Workshop topics may include:

Discovering Your Land: Land Management Basics

Location: Jones Lake State Park, Elizabethtown
Tuesday, September 28, 9am-5:30pm
How to set property management goals and objectives while considering the role of your land in the big picture of regional ecosystems. The benefits of using GIS technology in managing your private forestland. Understanding the basics of land ownership liability, estates and easements. Meet local agency representatives available to help you. Plus, restoring native pine habitats and a field tour of related sites.

Woodscaping Your Woodlands: Managing Your Forest

Location: Jones Lake State Park, Elizabethtown
Wednesday, September 29, 9am-5:30pm
Tools useful for managing your forestland--agencies and incentive programs available to assist you, prescribed fire, and an update on current timber market trends. The benefits of managing with wildlife in mind. In the afternoon, choose between a basic track discussing land management tools such as

tree measurement, map & compass usage, tree identification, and GPS usage or a more advanced track including presentations on forest certification, carbon markets, and woody biomass as an energy source. (Please note your track preference on the registration form to the right.) Plus, a field tour viewing examples of the day's topics.

Forest Protection & Income Opportunities:

Management Beyond Your Forest

Location: Jones Lake State Park, Elizabethtown
Thursday, September 30, 9am-5:30pm
Planting, care and protection of your landscape trees as well as information on forest invaders such as insects, diseases and invasive plants. Protecting your investment by becoming "Firewise" in your backyard. Presentations on income opportunities such as alternative forest products, hunting, and tourism activities with a field tour showing some of these methods in action. Graduation ceremony and dinner to follow for those who have attended at least two of the three workshops.

Registration Information

- Registration is \$30.00 per participant per workshop. Spouse or other family member registration is \$15.00 per workshop and one set of educational materials is provided for the family.
- Credit toward NC Environmental Education Certification is available, as well as educator CEU and forester CFE credits.
- Registration deadline is Tuesday, September 21.
- Attendance in at least two of the three workshops is required to graduate.
- Participant will receive e-mail confirmations upon receipt of registration and payment. Please read for detailed workshop information and directions.
- Lunch and snacks will be provided for each workshop.
- A block of rooms will be reserved in nearby Lumberton, contact program director for lodging details.

Cancellation Policy:

Written cancellations (US Mail or e-mail) received 7 or more days prior to workshop will receive a refund less a \$10 processing fee. Sorry, but it is not possible to obtain a refund within 7 days of the workshop. Substitute attendees are welcome with prior notification. In the case of workshop cancellation, all fees will be refunded.

**Registration
NC Coast
2010 Woodland Steward Series**

Participant Spouse

Discovering Your Land

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Tuesday, September 28, 9am-5:30pm

Woodscaping Your Woodlands

Location: Jones Lake State Park, Elizabethtown
Wednesday, September 29, 9am-5:30pm
Afternoon choice: Basic Track___ or Advanced Track___

Forest Protection & Income Opportunities

Location: Jones Lake State Park, Elizabethtown
Thursday, September 30, 9am-5:30pm
Graduation and dinner, 6-7pm

Registration is Required!

Please make checks payable to:

Cradle of Forestry Interpretive Association (CFIA)
Mail registration and fee to: Amy Garascia, Program Coordinator, 66 S Broad St., Brevard, NC 28712
(828) 884-5713 ex 26, amysworkshopinfo@aol.com

Participant Cost:

Number of workshops _____ X \$30.00 = _____

Spouse/Family Member Cost:

Number of workshops _____ X \$15.00 = _____

Total due CFIA = _____

Registration fees directly offset workshop costs for materials, food service, speaker travel, and other related expenses.

Name _____

Spouse/Other Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State ____ Zip _____

E-mail _____

(Important for workshop confirmation and updates)

Phone (____) _____

Number of Acres owned _____ County _____

Number of vegetarian lunches requested for first day:____

Information collected will be used solely for contact about the Woodland Steward Series and grant reporting purposes. Registration grants the Biltmore Forest School permission to use photographs taken at workshops for educational and promotional purposes in any media, including the Internet.

Cradle of Forestry

Our century of conservation dates back to the building of the Biltmore Estate and the reforestation of abused and farmed-over land. Forestry education in the United States began in 1889 when George W. Vanderbilt began to purchase land in Asheville as a site for his Biltmore Estate.

In 1895, German forester Dr. Carl A. Schenck accepted George Vanderbilt's offer to come to North Carolina to succeed Gifford Pinchot as forester of his vast forest properties. To assist him in his effort, Schenck started the Biltmore Forest School in 1898. For the next 15 years, Dr. Schenck focused all of his forestry skills on running the Biltmore Forest School and transforming the woodlands that we know today as Pisgah National Forest.

Today the Cradle of Forestry in America is a 6,500 acre historic site within the Pisgah National Forest, set aside by Congress to commemorate the beginning of forestry conservation and to continue the rich legacy of conservation education in the United States.

For more information on the Woodland Steward Series held in the region of NC nearest you:

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www.cradleofforestry.org

This series is sponsored by:

- Cradle of Forestry Interpretive Association
- North Carolina Division of Forest Resources
- NC Cooperative Extension Service
- USDA Forest Service
- BRAC Regional Task Force
- NC Coastal Land Trust
- NC Division of Soil & Water Conservation
- NC Tree Farm Program
- NC Wildlife Resources Commission

What our participants are saying:

"Excellent presentations and handouts. Thank you!"

"This is the best workshop I've ever been to."
(said by a consulting forester)

"Workshop was well-planned and well organized. Topics of discussion were interesting and useful. Instructors were highly trained experts in their fields. Presentations were at appropriate level for participants."

"Thank you for organizing all this great information. It will be used for years to come to take care of our woodlands."

"I didn't realize there was so much I didn't know."

"This series was extremely well planned, organized & executed. Excellent communications and detailed instructions for the attendees, excellent materials, everything on time. Good instructors, visuals, handouts. Very professional!"

"Top notch program--introduced us to many resources. Thank you! Invaluable. Can't wait to get started."

"The Native Landscaping & Water Management workshop on Friday, May 15 [2009] at the NC Zoo, was excellent! I appreciated your professionalism, relative comments after each speaker, and keeping the schedule on track. I learned SO much!!"



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PROMOTING A HEALTHY
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LANDOWNERS ABOUT LAND
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