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Wisconsin County Forests Association
2018 Spring County Forest Administrators Meeting
Thursday, March 15 & Friday, March 16
Hotel Marshfield, 2700 S. Central Avenue, Marshfield, WI 54449
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AGENDA

Thursday, March 15, 2018

7:30 a.m. – Registration, Continental Breakfast

8:00 a.m. – Welcome, Pledge of Allegiance, Roll Call of Counties – Eric Holm, President, County Forest Administrators

8:10 a.m. – *Rotstop C - An Alternative to Chemicals for Control of Annosum (Heterobasidion) Root Disease* – Dr. John McLaughlin, Forest Pathologist, BioForest

8:40 a.m. – *BMP for Water Quality Monitoring Results* – Dave Kafura, Forest Hydrologist, WDNR and Nolan Kriegel, Forestry Specialist, WDNR

9:10 a.m. – *Forest Product Trends and Emerging Markets* – Collin Buntrock, Forest Products Specialist, Division of Forestry, WDNR

9:40 a.m. – Morning Break

10:00 a.m. – *Bat Habitat Conservation Plan Update* – Sarah Herrick, Conservation Biologist, Natural Heritage Conservation, WDNR and Mark Heyde, Sustainable Forestry Certification Coordinator, Division of Forestry, WDNR

10:45 a.m. – *Wisconsin's Wildlife Damage Program* – Brad Koele, Wildlife Damage Specialist, WDNR

11:15 a.m. – *The Federal Worker Protection Standard: Protecting Foresters from Pesticide Exposure* – Jane Larson, Worker Protection Program Specialist, Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection

12:00 p.m. – Lunch

1:00 p.m. – *Wisconsin Logging Sector: 2016 production year* – Dr. Mark Rickenbach, Professor, Extension Specialist, & Chair, Department of Forest & Wildlife Ecology UW-Madison

1:45 p.m. – *Forest Health Update* – Paul Cigan, Forest Health Specialist, Division of Forestry, WDNR

2:15 p.m. – Afternoon Break

2:30 p.m. – ***Water Resource Management for County Forests: Navigating Wisconsin DNR Funding Opportunities***, Eric Olson, Director and Lakes Outreach Specialist, UW Extension Lakes - UW Stevens Point

3:15 p.m. – ***Recreational Bridge Considerations*** – Jake Silkey, Sales Engineer, Wheeler

3:45 p.m. – Annual County Forest Administrators Business Meeting
Report from County Forest Administrators President Eric Holm
Report from Legislative/Forest Certification Committee
Report from Motorized Recreation Committee
Election of new President Elect
What's going on in your county?
Items from the floor

5:00 p.m. – Social Hour

6:00 p.m. – Banquet with Presentation by Dr. Nathan Roberts, Research Scientist, WDNR - ***Understanding Wisconsin's Bobcat Population: Partnering for Research and Conservation Success***

Friday, March 16, 2018

7:30 – 8:00 a.m. – Registration and Continental Breakfast

8:00 a.m. – ***DNR Update*** – Dan Meyer, Secretary, WDNR

8:15 a.m. - ***Address from Wisconsin's Chief State Forester*** – Fred Souba, Chief State Forester, Division of Forestry, WDNR

8:45 a.m. – ***Update on Current County Forest Issues*** – Doug Brown, County Forest & Public Lands Specialist, WDNR

9:15 a.m. – ***Legal Updates*** – Kassandra Lang, Attorney, WDNR

9:45 a.m. – Morning Break

10:00 a.m. – ***Family Forest Owners in the Wisconsin Northwoods: Engagement tools, mechanisms, and messages*** – Dr. Melinda Vokoun, Associate Professor of Forestry, US Stevens Point

10:30 a.m. – ***WI Forest Practice Study; Overview and Outcomes*** – Tom Hittle, Senior Vice President, Project Coordination and Business Development, Steigerwaldt Land Services, LLC.

11:15 a.m. - ***Wisconsin Walleye: Status, Trends, and Current Research and Management for Long-term Sustainability*** - Dr. Gregory Sass, Fisheries Research Team Leader, Office of Applied Science, WDNR

11:45 a.m. – Door Prize Drawing (Must be Present to Win)

12:00 p.m. - Adjournment

The meeting has been approved for the following SAF CFE Category 1 credits:

Day 1 – 6.0 CF

Day 2 – 3.5 CF

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Day 2 – 4 hours