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Wisconsin County Forests Association  
2019 Spring County Forest Administrators Meeting  
Thursday, March 14 & Friday, March 15  
Hotel Marshfield, 2700 S. Central Avenue, Marshfield, WI 54449  
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## AGENDA

### Thursday, March 14, 2019

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

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

8:10 a.m. – *Opening Address* – Preston Cole, WDNR Secretary Nominee

8:25 a.m. – *Comments from the Chief State Forester* - Fred Souba, Division of Forestry, WDNR

8:40 a.m. – *Forest Land Protection - The Conservation Fund* - Clint Miller, Midwest Project Director, and Bethany Olmstead, Conservation Manager-Working Forest Fund,, The Conservation Fund

9:10 a.m. – *The Wisconsin Black Bear Management Plan: Update and New Directions* – Scott Walter, Large Carnivore Specialist, WDNR

9:55 a.m. - Morning Break

10:10 a.m. - *The Forest History Association of Wisconsin* – John Grosman, Board Member, Forest History Association of Wisconsin

10:20 a.m. – *Insects, Diseases or Plants? Call us!* – Linda Williams, Plant Pest and Disease Specialist, WDNR and Mike Putnam, Forest Invasive Plant Coordinator, WDNR

10:50 a.m. - *Forest Products Services: Our People, Projects, and Priorities* – Collin Buntrock, Forest Products Team Leader, WDNR

11:20 a.m. – *Snapshot Wisconsin-Phase 2 Statewide Launch*– Susan Frett, Senior Research Scientist, WDNR

11:55 a.m. - Presentation

12:00 p.m. – Lunch

1:00 p.m. – *Inspection, Operation and Maintenance of Dams* – Jennifer Jefferson, WDNR Water Management Engineer, WDNR

1:45 p.m. – *Good Neighbors with EQIP and NRCS* – Andrew Hart, WI State Forester, USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service

2:15 p.m. – Afternoon Break

2:30 p.m. – *Legal Updates* – Kassandra Lang, Attorney, WDNR

3:00 p.m. – *Board of Commissioners of Public Lands*, Tom German, Deputy Secretary, BCPL

3:30 p.m. – *Updating Silviculture Guidance*, Andy Stoltman, Forest Economics and Ecology Section Chief - Division of Forestry, WDNR

4:00 p.m. – Annual County Forest Administrators Business Meeting

Report from County Forest Administrators President Kevin Kleinschmidt

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 & Presentation

### **Friday, March 15, 2019**

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

8:00 a.m. – *Deer Herbivory & Forest Regeneration* - Casey Menick, Forest Regeneration Program Specialist, WDNR, Jake Walcisak, Forest Administrator, Taylor County and Jason Holmes, Forester, Bayfield County

8:40 a.m. - *Update on Current County Forest Issues* – Doug Brown, County Forest & Public Lands Specialist, WDNR

9:10 a.m. – *The Future of Hunting and Angling: What is R3?* – Keith Warnke, R3 Team Supervisor, WDNR

9:50 a.m. – *Legislative Update* – Shawn Pfaff, Pfaff Public Affairs, Fitchburg

10:05 a.m. – Morning Break

10:20 a.m. – *The Mighty Musky: Managing for Wisconsin's State Fish* – Max Wolter, Senior Fisheries Biologist, WDNR

11:05 a.m. – *CWD Surveillance Permits* – Janet Brehm, Senior Wildlife Biologist, Langlade and Lincoln Counties, WDNR

11:50 a.m. – Door Prize Drawing (Must be Present to Win)

12:00 p.m. - Adjournment

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Day 2 – 3.5 CF

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