

MFS STEWARDSHIP FORESTER INFORMATION & TRAINING MEETINGS
and Tree Farm Inspector Training
March 21, 2016--Bangor Motor Inn, Bangor
March 23, 2016--Maine Forest Products Council, Augusta
March 25, 2016--Cabela's Store, Scarborough (*all items one hour later- store opens at 0900*)

AGENDA

8:00: Coffee and registration

8:15: Welcome & Introductions

8:30: WoodsWISE Program Status Update-*Andy Shultz, MFS Landowner Outreach Forester*

Review of application and claim-for-payment forms and process

8:45: Woodland Resource Action Plans (WRAPs)-*Andy Shultz, MFS*

Introduction of 2016 UPDATES to Stewardship Forest Management Plan specifications, with cross-walk to latest American Tree Farm Standards

---one 15 minute break as needed---

10:45: Insect and Disease Conditions update-*Allison Kanoti/other personnel from Forest Health & Monitoring Division, MFS*

11:15: Invasive Plant Control update-*Nancy Olmstead /other personnel from Maine Natural Areas Program, DACF*

11:45: Short topics- MFS personnel

Statewide Standards-update--*Tom Gilbert, MFS*

Forester's Institutes-upcoming dates and topics--*Kevin Doran, MFS*

12:00: Lunch

12:30: Cooperative Tree Farm Inspector training-*Mike Dann & Gretchen Heldmann, Maine Tree Farm Committee*

All Tree Farm Inspectors are required to have training on the 2015-20 Standards prior to conducting inspections.

- Introduction to the American Tree Farm System
- 2015-20 AFF Standards of Sustainability
- Management Plan review
- The ATFS Inspector's Manual
- 004 Form & Tools, including fillable .pdf and mobile app.
- Wrap-up & Questions

3:30 *Adjourn, and safe travels home!*