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Stay on the Lookout for these Poolside Pests



We are looking for reports of two vigilante insects that might have crossed state lines into North Carolina, and are attracted to water and thus may be found in pools or pool filters. They pose a threat to defenseless forests and certain crops. These poolside pests are the Asian longhorned beetle and spotted lanternfly. They are not native to the U.S., and researchers want you to report them if you see them so they can control their spread. Find out how to identify these pests and how to report them on the [poolside pests website](#). Read more about this effort in this [recent article from NC State](#).

Wildlife in Our Western Woods: The Turtles of the High Country



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In this [recent article from Watauga County Extension](#), learn how you can best help different species of turtles in western NC as humans are their biggest threat. Turtles are an important part of the mountain ecosystem and are out and about more during this transition to summer. If you see a turtle crossing the road, learn how to safely move it aside in this article. For a turtle found in its natural environment... "if you care, leave it there."

4th of July Safety Tips



Ensure you are educated this Independence Day on how to best reduce the risk of wildfire. Officials encourage North Carolinians to attend local, professional firework shows to avoid misconduct. Even small, legal fireworks such as sparklers, fountains, glow worms, smoke devices, trick noisemakers can be hazardous. If you take the risk of using your own fireworks, read the [N.C. Forest Service's safety tips](#) before doing so; including reminders to safely extinguish campfires, fire pits, and grills.

July Disaster Preparedness and Forest Resiliency in Eastern NC Workshops

Two great hybrid workshops on disaster preparedness and forest resiliency are taking place this July. These workshops educate landowners and natural resource professionals about how they should prepare and respond to risk and uncertainty from natural disasters to maintain healthy forests in Eastern



NC. The first workshop takes place July 20th in Duplin county. The second takes place July 22nd in Bertie county. Find more details, including the agenda and more information on the hybrid format, as well as how to register with the [Duplin county event page](#) and [Bertie county event page](#).



Credit, The Supply Cache

Prescribed Fire PPE: Practical Options for Landowners

Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) is crucial to the safe and effective implementation of prescribed fire. In this three-part series of posts, professionals give you many options for PPE that are financially accessible while still providing protection during burns. View [the first post in this series](#) that highlights practical PPE pant and shirt options for landowners conducting prescribed fires. View [the second post](#) that discusses options for other PPE items including head coverings, face coverings, and eye protection. View [the recently published third installment](#) that addresses boots and shoes, gloves, and overall considerations for choosing PPE items.

Coming Events of Interest to Woodland Owners

July 8, 2021 (Th), 1-2:30 PM ET, ForestHer NC: Property Taxes & Estate Planning. Join ForestHer NC landowners, natural resource professionals, and others for the fourth of four interactive webinars about protecting your woodlands! This webinar will focus on property taxes and estate planning. Be sure to [register in advance](#). Get more details and stay up to date on the [ForestHer NC Facebook page](#).

July 20, 2021 (T), 8:30 AM-12:15 PM ET, Disaster Preparedness and Recovery for Forest Landowners in Eastern NC. This hybrid workshop's in-person component will take place in Duplin County. This workshop will educate landowners and natural resource professionals about how they should prepare and respond to risk and uncertainty from natural disasters to maintain healthy forests in Eastern NC. [Registration in advance is required](#). Get further details on our [event page listing](#).

July 22, 2021 (Th), 8:30 AM-12:15 PM ET, Disaster Preparedness and Recovery for Forest Landowners in Eastern NC. This hybrid workshop's in-person component will take place in Bertie County. This workshop will educate landowners and natural resource professionals about how they should prepare and respond to risk and uncertainty from natural disasters to maintain healthy forests in Eastern NC. [Registration in advance is required](#). Get further details on our [event page listing](#).

July 22, 2021 (Th), 2 PM ET, USFS Tribes and Climate Adaptation Webinar. Join the U.S. Forest Service Office of Sustainability and Climate for a webinar on Tribes and Climate Adaptation. This webinar will consist of several presentations followed by a panel discussion with the USFS Office of Tribal Relations. Registration is not required. [Join the webinar on Microsoft Teams](#).

August 18, 2021 (W) - August 19, 2021 (Th), NC Prescribed Fire Council Annual Meeting. The 2021 NC Prescribed Fire Council annual meeting will be held on August 18-19, 2021 in Morganton, NC as a joint meeting with the Consortium of Appalachian Fire Managers and Scientists. This meeting will be hybrid with both in-person and virtual options. Registration details will be coming soon. Watch the [NC Prescribed Fire Council website](#) for updates.

August 25, 2021 (W), 10 AM- 12 PM ET, Sustainable Forestry Land Retention Project

Webinar - Cost Share Programs: Preparing Landowners to Make Application. Federal and state governments offer financial incentive programs for woodland owners. Several of these programs provide cost-sharing payments that reimburse landowners for various timber management activities. This webinar is to guide landowners in preparation to apply for forestry cost-share programs with USDA, NC Forest Service, and farm loans through USDA Farm Service Agency. Woodland owners will have the opportunity to hear from Agency experts on the various cost-share programs and application processes. Be sure to **register in advance**.

Webinars & Online Learning

Forestry Webinars on Demand Webinars are a great opportunity to learn about different forestry topics from experts in the field, and we have collaborated with professionals from a variety of backgrounds, including forestry, economics, law, and more to bring you relevant topics at home.

ForestryWebinars.net You can find more than 700 archived webinars on a variety of forestry topics.

NC Tree Farm Program Online Learning Learn about a variety of forestry topics through webinars, videos, and online courses.

eLearn: Urban Forestry This online resource provides an interactive introduction to urban forest management.

eFire This interactive site allows you to choose your own eFIRE experience! Become virtually immersed in a prescribed burn, learn why and how burns are conducted, read the provided resources, and/or hear from the multiple types of people who use prescribed fire as a land management tool!

Introduction to Southeastern Prescribed Fire This course is designed to introduce students to the fundamental basics of prescribed burning in Southeastern forested ecosystems.

Woodland Stewardship YouTube Channel This channel features webinars and other forestry-related videos.

Southern Fire Exchange YouTube Channel The Southern Fire Exchange (SFE) is a regional program for fire science delivery in the Southeast, funded by the Joint Fire Science Program.

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