

**FORESTRY**

**Woodland Owner Notes eNewsletter**

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**2018 NC Forestry Economic Contribution Report Available Now**

In 2018, the forest sector in North Carolina directly contributed \$20.8 billion in industry output and employed about 75,000 people. The forest sector includes forestry and logging operations, sawmills, furniture mills, and pulp and paper industries, each making contributions to the state economy. You can find a full breakdown and more facts about the forest sector's economic contributions [in this report on our website](#).



**Virtual Women's Chainsaw Safety 101**

Come learn the basics of chainsaw safety! A few of the topics will include personal protective equipment and safe chainsaw operation, as well as time to answer any questions participants may have. Registration is required by Thursday, June 11. Space is limited to the first 20 participants who register. You can find more information about the workshop on [our events page](#), and you can register [by clicking here](#). Please note you will need to create an account to register.



**Statewide Forest Landowner Survey**

Over the coming weeks NC State Extension will be contacting 3,000 forest landowners across the state to take part in an anonymous survey. This survey is designed to assist us in developing educational program priorities and delivery methods based on the needs of the landowners we serve. This is a voluntary and confidential survey designed for easy completion and will take a landowner 10-15 minutes of their time. If you have additional questions, please reach out to [Kristin Peters](#) or [Dr. Robert Bardon](#).



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**National Pollinator Week June 22-28**

Pollinators are an integral part of the environment and it's time to celebrate and protect them! This year National Pollinator Week is June 22-28, and there are a number of ways to get involved and [fun activities available](#) for the kids. You can learn more about this week dedicated to pollinators from the [Pollinator Partnership](#), and visit [our website for articles](#) regarding pollinators and their benefits.

**June 3, 2020 (W), 2-4pm ET, Webinar- Urban Agriculture Grants and Engagement Opportunities.** [Webinar link here.](#) From the USDA's May 6th announcement: "The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) today announced the availability of \$3 million for grants through its new Office of Urban Agriculture and Innovative Production. The competitive grants will support the development of urban agriculture and innovative production projects through two categories, Planning Projects and Implementation Projects. USDA will accept applications on Grants.gov until midnight July 6, 2020." You can access the [webinar](#) for more information on this new program. [Read the full press release here.](#)

**June 11, 2020 (Th), 12-1pm, Webinar - Land Ownership, Liability and the Law.** [Webinar link here.](#) Many landowners choose to open their lands to provide recreation, hunting, and educational use for friends, neighbors and others. Other landowners have experienced theft and timber trespassing. This webinar will provide insight from a North Carolina perspective into landowners' liability and the responsibilities landowners have for invited and uninvited users of their property and will provide proactive steps to avoid timber theft or trespass. Pre-registration is not required, and for more information on the webinar [visit our events page.](#)

**June 18, 2020 (Th), 1-5pm, Virtual Women's Chainsaw Safety 101.** [Workshop link here.](#) Come learn the basics of chainsaw safety! A few of the topics will include personal protective equipment and safe chainsaw operation, as well as time to answer any questions participants may have. Registration is required by Thursday, June 11. Space is limited to the first 20 participants who register. You can find more information about the workshop on [our events page](#), and you can [register by clicking here.](#)

**June 25, 2020 (Th), 12-1pm, Webinar - Creating and Maintaining Upland Habitat.** [Webinar link here.](#) Creating and maintaining upland habitat is important to many landowners. This presentation will cover the habitat requirements of many upland species and how forestry practices can be used to improve their habitat. Financial and technical resources, that are available to landowners, will also be reviewed. Pre-registration is not required, and for more information on the webinar [visit our events page.](#)

## Webinars & Online Learning Available Now

**Project Learning Tree Free Family Activities** Nature is a great teacher! Try these activity ideas from Project Learning Tree to connect the children in your life to the outdoors and nature. You can [access these free activities by clicking here.](#)

**Woodland Management: What is Right for You and Your Woodland?** Managing your woodlands to grow healthy forests and produce revenue depends on making the right choices for your location. This session will help woodland owners to understand how stand dynamics and market considerations are used in the application of management. You can [access the webinar by clicking here.](#)

**Understanding the Financial Aspects of Woodland Management** Your woodlands are not just for enjoyment but can also be a source of revenue for you and your family. Financial decisions that you make today will have ramifications for your timber property for years to come. Learn more about what you need to know to make sound financial decisions. You can [access the webinar by clicking here.](#)

**More than Timber: Income Opportunities from Non-timber Forest Products** While selling timber from your woodlands may be a great revenue source, it is not the only option for income. In this session learn more about the opportunities to generate income from your woodlands. You can [access the webinar by clicking here.](#)

**Launching your Woodland Legacy: Intact, In Forest and In Family Ownership** The love of your land, your management ethic, your desire to see your property remain intact, in forest, and in family ownership – these are components of your woodland legacy. This session is designed to help you find the best way to pass this legacy intact to your heirs. You can [access the webinar by clicking here.](#)

**Project Learning Tree Professional Development Programs** Both of these online PD programs are self-paced and you can stop and pick-up right where you left off (great for

parents working from home!). The online courses contain videos, participant worksheets for self-reflection, and links to additional resources. Each PD program includes an electronic version of the guide, or you can purchase the printed version (shipment may be delayed).

- **PLT K-8 Online Professional Development** (4 hours): \$40 + \$24.99 for print guide (optional)
- **PLT Environmental Experiences for Early Childhood** (3 Hours): \$30 + 19.99 for print guide (optional)

**Project Learning Tree eUnits for Criteria III** Each eUnit will be yours forever (no renewal fee) and is completely housed online and tied to your email address. These are built on the same training platform as the activity guides, so again, you can start and stop the trainings at your will. The training for each is about 3 hours, and each costs \$40.

- **Tremendous Science (K-2)**
- **Energy & Ecosystems (3-5)**
- **Carbon & Climate (6-8)**

**ForestryWebinars.net** You can find more than 700 archived webinars on a variety of forestry topics. You can [access this resource by clicking here](#).

**eLearn: Urban Forestry** This online resource provides an interactive introduction to urban forest management. You can [access this course by clicking here](#).

**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! You can [access this resource by clicking here](#).

**Introduction to Southeastern Prescribed Fire** This course is designed to introduce students to the fundamental basics of prescribed burning in Southeastern forested ecosystems. You can [access this course by clicking here](#).

**Woodland Stewardship YouTube Channel** This channel features webinars and other forestry-related videos. You can [access the YouTube Channel by clicking here](#).

**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. You can [access the YouTube Channel by clicking here](#).

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