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# Woodland Owner Notes E-news

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## Last Chance to Register for the Forestry Conference in Weldon, NC

July 20-12, 2018

Hosted by the Sustainable Forestry and Land Retention

The purpose of the North Carolina and Virginia Forest Landowner Conference is to inform and educate landowners on strategies for estate planning; on programs and technical assistance available through state forestry agencies, U.S. Department of Agriculture agencies, and local timber industry. This event is free, but does require advanced registration. **Registration closes on July 13** so call 252-539-4600 to reserve a seat.

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## Alternative Forest Products: Shiitake Mushrooms

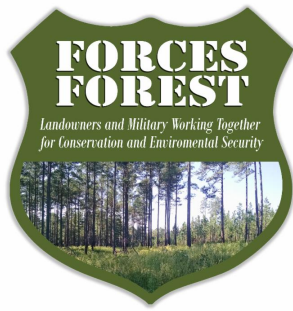
**If you have access to hardwood logs or large branches, this might be an opportunity to consider.**

Extension Forestry at NCSU has a great publication on the considerations and method for growing Shiitake mushrooms for personal or production use. Forest landowners has tapped into this market through direct sales to restaurants, local grocers and caterers. Still others have combined this product with their firewood or farmers' market businesses. read or print a copy of the publication, "[Producing Shiitake Mushrooms: A Guide for Small-Scale Outdoor Cultivation on Logs](#)"



A great video on growing shiitake mushrooms is available from Cornell University Extension at this link <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QIZQ39wYkI0>

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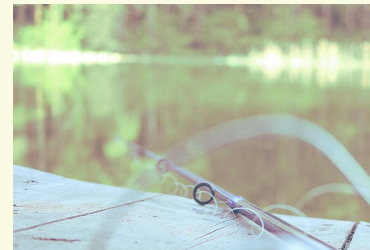
# FORCES Program

## North Carolina Eastern Forest Landowners Contribute to National Military Readiness

North Carolina is one of two states nationally participating in the Forest Opportunities for Resource Conservation and Environmental Security Program (FORCES). As a contributor to the Eastern North Carolina Sentinel Landscapes Partnership (ENCSLP), the FORCES Program recognizes and assists landowners who make a committed investment in their working forests that benefit wildlife and forest health, while preventing land use changes around military bases. This results in the sustainability of the military's training mission. The core partnership in North Carolina involves the N.C. Forest Service, N.C. Wildlife Resources Commission, and various installations within the U.S. Department of Defense. [CLICK HERE](#) to learn more.

## Is Fishing is one of Your Land Ownership Objectives?

### NCSU Cooperative Extension Offers a Pond Management Guide



Many woodland owners have ponds or lakes as part of their land holdings offering many pleasant days of fishing, boating, wildlife viewing and more. Managing this part of your property requires some knowledge and planning. Dr. Jim Rice, Extension Fisheries Specialist, has developed a [free Pond Management Guide](#). This publication presents the basic principles of managing recreational ponds and the requirements for producing and maintaining high-quality fishing in a pond. Some common mistakes in pond management and ways of solving pond problems are discussed. This information should allow you to develop and carry out a pond management plan that provides maximum benefits.

## Natural Resources Educational Events

July 20-21, 2018 (Fr-Sa) - Sustainable Forestry Conference hosted by Roanoke Electric Cooperative's Sustainable Forestry and Land Retention Project. Halifax Community College, Weldon, NC. Contact Alton Perry for details at [aperry@roanokeelectric.com](mailto:aperry@roanokeelectric.com)

July 31- Aug 1, 2018 (Tu-We) - Aquatic Plants Workshop hosted by NCSU Crop Science Program. Dix Pond Conference Center in Raleigh, NC. Full details at: [go.ncsu.edu/aquatic-plants-workshop](http://go.ncsu.edu/aquatic-plants-workshop)

October 24-26, 2018 (We-Fr) - The Longleaf Alliance Biennial Conference - Holiday Inn, Alexandria, LA. Details at: <http://go.ncsu.edu/longleafconference>

Dec 4 & 5, 2018 (Tu & We) - Forest Health Workshops will be held in the foothills/mountains and in the Piedmont/eastern regions of North Carolina. Full details are posted at: <http://go.ncsu.edu/pronr>

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