

Whether you own a “home in the woods” or many acres of land, this “out in the woods” educational event is packed with practical “how-to” information that you need to know.

Stewarding land is both rewarding and challenging. Successful management is due to the decisions you make and the actions you take. Attending the **Family Forest Field Day** will prepare you to plan and execute sound practices, enabling you to accomplish your management objectives, reduce risks, and protect your financial investment.

This event will include classes and activities led by experts in forest health, wildlife habitat, soils, fire protection, timber and non-timber forest products. Presenters will be available to answer questions specific to your needs and situation. Youth activities are available throughout the day!

Come join the more than 14,000 satisfied families who have already experienced these Field Day events across the state. If you think forests are vital to the quality of life in Washington, please pass this information along to your neighbor! This flyer is available at <http://forestry.wsu.edu/fffd2019>

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- Society of American Foresters
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Schedule

- A detailed schedule of presentations will be available August 1 at:
<http://forestry.wsu.edu/fffd2019>
- Gates open at 8 AM
- Presentations take place every hour from 9 AM–4 PM (lunch break from 12 PM–1 PM)

About the Site

- Parking adjacent to presentation stations.
- Portable restrooms, coffee, refreshments, and drinking water are available on-site.
- Seating provided at presentation stations and lunch area.
- Walking short distances over nearly-level forested terrain is required. Dress for the weather and wear sturdy footwear.
- There will be exhibitors and displays.

Lunch

- On-site lunch (\$10). **One free lunch is provide with registration.** Additional lunches can be purchased for \$10. **Lunches must be ordered no later than August 19.** Or, pack a lunch.

Directions to Wildcat Creek Tree Farm: 72 Tornquist Rd. McCleary, WA 98557

- The farm is on Tornquist Rd., which extends southeast from Highway 108 approximately 2.2 miles northeast of McCleary (off Hwy 8) and 8.6 miles west of Kamilche (off Hwy 101). Once on Tornquist Rd., drive 0.5 miles and the destination will be on your right. Signs will be in place to point you towards parking.

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INFORMATION & REGISTRATION

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McCleary, WA
August 24, 2019
9 AM–4 PM



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FAMILY FOREST FIELD DAY TOPICS—AUGUST 24, 2019

Chainsaw Safety and Maintenance - This hands-on safety program will teach you life- and limb-saving techniques, as well as how to care for your engine, chain, and other components.

Field Technology for Landowners - Technology is advancing rapidly and there are lots of new tools available to landowners. Join us as we explore these tools, many of which are free or low cost. Learn about GPS and mapping technology. Get an introduction to the forestry applications that are available for your smartphone or tablet.



Forest Certification - You know those big green "Tree Farm" signs you see around all the time? Learn what it takes to certify your forest with programs like American Tree Farm and the Forest Stewardship Council. This is a great class for you sign collectors!

Forest Health - Forests are complex systems full of both life and decay. Not everything that is dying is a problem, but you don't want to mis-identify something that requires action. Learning how to spot a forest health concern over normal forest functions is an important step to determining your management methods.

Forest-grown Shiitake Systems - Shiitake mushrooms provide a low-cost, low-impact way for landowners to earn additional income and/or produce a delicious food source for the family. Learn how to create a mushroom operation in your woods from an expert.

Forestland Security and Safety - What you must know to keep yourself and your land safe from the bad guys running around out there. Topics include trespass, dumping, theft, dope labs and grows, and hazardous situations.

Forestry Taxes: Current Use Property Taxation and Timber Excise Taxes - Tips on how to reduce the tax burden on your forestland, and the taxes due after selling timber.

Forests and Livestock - This unique session will cover how livestock and forestry can work together to help you meet your objectives, such as noxious weed management.

Growing Red Alder for Timber - The days of red alder being a "weed tree" are gone. However, growing alder for timber or veneer is a complex task. Learn how to best manage this hardwood species from the experts.

Landowner Assistance Programs - Want to take a walk in YOUR woods with a professional forester and/or wildlife biologist? Want to learn about ways of significantly reducing the cost of obtaining a written management plan and implementing practices that meet your objectives? Come learn from a variety of service agencies that are here to help. Learn about the Family Forest Fish Passage Program which may qualify you to replace culverts and bridges at no cost.

Native Wildlife Species and Habitat - Learn about the distinguishing features, habitats, and habits of local wildlife species with a wildlife biologist.

Protecting Your Home and Forest from Wildfire - It's "the little things" that generally lead to home ignitions: needles in the gutters; flammable roofs; unscreened vents; etc. Fire brands can fly for thousands of feet, so even if you've done all the right things, your home may still be at risk. Learn what else you can do to protect your home from wildfire. Learn how to protect your forest using traditional forestry practices, which provide multiple benefits for you and your forest.

► *Some topics may change. A detailed schedule of topics will be available at forestry.wsu.edu/fffd2019 by August 1.*

Realities of Selling Timber and Working with Consulting Forester - Thinking about logging? What is your fair share? Is a handshake good enough? There's much more to a successful timber sale than meets the eye. Speak to professionals who can prepare forest management plans, oversee contractors, and negotiate sales in your best interest.

Recreation & Aesthetic Opportunities - One of the most important things you can do is enjoy spending time in your woods. Learn to improve walking trails to make it easy to see and get around. Create the best places to rest, camp, or attract watchable wildlife.

“ *Attending the Field Day helped me to learn so much about my forest, but I think the best part was learning from other landowners and getting a follow-up visit by both a wildlife biologist and a forester. Everything has changed for the better!* ”

Site Preparation, Reforestation, and Early Plantation Care - Includes how to prepare your site, seedling selection, planting technique, and follow up care to help ensure survival and growth.

Small-Scale Harvesting and Yarding - Watch a demonstration of how to fell, buck, and yard a tree and learn about the tools you need to harvest trees on your own property.

Thinning and Pruning - Even the trees you've planted can compete between themselves. Learn how to keep them healthy as well as how to use pruning to improve wood quality, wildfire resistance, and aesthetics.

Wildlife Habitat Enhancements - This session will cover all of the ways that you can get your hands dirty making your forest a better place for wildlife, including a demonstration of how to build a habitat pile!

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REGISTRATION FORM

- Registration fee: \$30 per person, \$40 for a family of two or more. Registration on the day of the event is \$40 per person, \$50 for a family of two or more.
- Please return registration form with fee (check made payable to "Field Day") by Monday, August 19, to:

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Or register online at <https://2019fffd.eventbrite.com>

- Refunds available until the day of the event.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ ZIP: _____

Daytime phone: _____

E-mail: _____

of acres owned: _____

County of ownership: _____

____ Individual registration/\$30 each \$ _____

____ Family/\$40 group \$ _____

____ #of people attending \$ _____

____ Lunch/\$10 each \$ _____

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ _____

Mobility assistance needed? Yes / No

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