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Registration fees include transportation, refreshments and a delicious lunch. See inside for information on fees for individual tours, departure points and itineraries.

These tours promote wise resource management on private forestlands. You will (1) observe science-based management practices (2) become acquainted with public and private sources of technical and financial management assistance, and (3) network with fellow landowners, natural resource professionals, and others that share your interest in Virginia's natural resources. Each tour includes several demonstration stops on private, industry, and public lands.

All tours are outdoors and held rain or shine. Please dress appropriately (sturdy shoes, rain gear, insect repellent, sunscreen, etc.).

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If you are a person with a disability and desire any assistive devices, services or other accommodations to participate in this activity, please contact Jennifer Gagnon at 540/231-6391 during business hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. to discuss accommodations at least 5 days prior to the event.

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The Virginia Forest Landowner Education Program and Virginia Cooperative Extension present:

The 33rd Annual Fall Forestry & Wildlife Field Tours (aka "the Bus Tours") Fall 2009



Join fellow forest landowners, Virginia Cooperative Extension and a host of Natural Resource Professionals for a fun and exciting day in the woods learning about forest and wildlife management.

Southampton County - September 24

Franklin County - October 3

Orange County - October 16

Rockingham County - October 29

Please register one week prior to tour

See individual tour descriptions for times and fees

"Last year's romp around looking at trees, was still one of the best days I've had for years!" Frederick County Tour participant.
"Super organization, well planned to motivate, inspire & create within us more effective knowledge & stewardship for our homes & communities." Albemarle County Tour participant.



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Southampton - Sept. 24

Meet at 8:30 a.m. at the parking lot just to the West of Rt. 460 stoplight at Ivor, VA.

Stop 1: Conservation - Learn about wildlife habitat areas, warm season grasses, conservation practices and cost share programs.
Stop 2: Pine Management - Discuss prescribed fire and managing for timber.

Lunch: Catered BBQ

Stop 3: Old Dominion Electric Cooperative - Hear how woody biomass will be integrated at the proposed Cypress Creek Power Station. Learn about the VDOF's easement program.

Stop 4: Spring Grove - Learn about the Tall Timbers quail management protocol and see intensive quail management in action.

Return by 5:00 p.m.

\$25 per person

For more information, contact:

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757/657-6450 x 406

Franklin County Oct. 3

Meet at 8:30 a.m. at Ferrum College.

Take Rt. 220 to Rocky Mount; exit onto Rt. 40 W. Follow signs through Rocky Mount to Ferrum. Once on campus, look for Virginia Cooperative Extension signs.

Stop 1: Ferrum College (part a) - Learn about best Management Practices and water quality
Stop 2: Ferrum College (part b) - Hear about progress in American chestnut restoration and witness plantings of blight resistant hybrids.

Lunch: Catered by Ferrum College

Stop 3: Visit a local tree farm. Watch a WoodMizer demonstration, learn about timber stand improvement, and hear about forest health issues.

Return by 4:00 p.m.

\$45/person; \$55/couple

For more information, contact:

Jason Fisher (jasonf@vt.edu) 434/476-2147

Orange County Oct. 16

Meet at 8:00 a.m. at Montpelier Station Behind the old Esso Station on Rt. 20 West of the town of Orange; across from the main entry of James Madison's Montpelier.

Stop 1: Coleman's Lumber Sawmill - Get a behind the scene, in-action look at a modern hardwood sawmill family owned and operated since the 1940's.

Stop 2: Glatfelter's Hunter Tract - Visit one of the last company owned pine plantations north of the James River. Hear the latest research on pine management.

Lunch: Catered BBQ

Stop 3: Indian Trace Farm - Explore a 200 acre quail preserve and former forest to learn the many secrets of warm season grasses....go beyond the covey.

Stop 4: Grelen Nursery - Take an inside look at the nursery industry, see a tree-spade lift large trees; discuss land-use opportunities & challenges. Return to Esso by 4:00 p.m.

Stop 5 (optional): James Madison's Montpelier - Join us for a walk through the new demonstration forest showcasing a variety of hardwood management techniques and a rare look at a relatively old eastern forest. Come guess how old!

For more information, contact:

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540/948-4699

Rockingham County Oct. 29

Meet at 8:30 a.m. at Liberty Gas/Burger King. Take Exit 257 off I-81. From I-81 N, turn right on 11N, Burger King is on the left; from I-81 S, turn left onto 259 E, then left on 11N. Burger King will be on the left.

Stop 1: Working Family Farm -

Learn to maximize wildlife habitat, and the cost share programs available to help you.

Stop 2: Actively managed privately-owned forest - Hear a retired forester and current landowner share his views on setting management goals and managing forests for multiple objectives.

Lunch: Catered locally

Stop 3: Neff Lumber Mill - Watch and learn as logs are processed into finished lumber at this family-owned mill.

Return by 5:00 p.m.

For more information contact:

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Registration Form Fall 2009

Fall Forestry & Wildlife Field Tours

Please check the tour(s) you will attend and mail check made out to the proper registrar (in bold face) to the address indicated.

Please register no later than one week before the tour date.

Southampton County

\$25.00/person

Make check payable to:
South Centre Corridors RC&D

P.O. Box 1237

Prince George, VA 23875

Franklin County

\$45.00/person; \$55/household

Make check payable to:

VCE Franklin County

90 East Court St.

Rocky Mount, VA 24151

Orange County

\$45.00/person; \$55/couple

Make check payable to:

VCE Madison County

P.O. Box 10

Madison, VA 22727

Rockingham County

\$45/person; \$55/household

Make check payable to:

VCE Rockingham County

965 Pleasant Valley Road

Harrisonburg, VA 22801

All itineraries are subject to change

Special Dietary Needs (please specify): _____

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone: _____ e-mail: _____

Amount enclosed: # attending _____ x \$price = _____

Office use: Rcvd _____ Check Number _____