Community Forestry Resource Center

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News

Building a new wood products industry (Ore.)

BAKER CITY HERALD | NOV. 26, 2008

A \$2 million grant could create new markets for Baker County private forest owners http://www.forestrycenter.org/index.cfm?RefID=104552

Indicators help keep sustainable forests (Ore.)

STATESMAN JOURNAL | NOV. 26, 2008

How are Oregon's forests doing? Are they healthy and resilient? Are they managed in ways that meet our present needs — and the needs of future generations? http://www.forestrycenter.org/index.cfm?RefID=104558

What's in the 2008 Farm Bill for Family Forest Owners?

CENTER FOR CONSERVATION INCENTIVES, ENVIRONMENTAL DEFENSE FUND | NOV. 26, 2008 The Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008 has many new opportunities for forest landowners and also expands forestland eligibility in some traditional USDA working lands programs. http://www.forestrycenter.org/index.cfm?RefID=104555

Rona to sell wood only from companies that protect forests (Canada)

ST. CATHARINE'S STANDARD | NOV. 26, 2008

Retailer also plans to squelch sales of cosmetic pesticides http://www.forestrycenter.org/index.cfm?RefID=104553

The Fraser's Fragile Forests (Canada)

THE TYEE | NOV. 26, 2008

Near the headwaters of BC's vast watershed, how to place a value on ancient trees? Second in a series. http://www.forestrycenter.org/index.cfm?RefID=104557

World is facing a natural resources crisis worse than financial crunch

THE GUARDIAN | NOV. 26, 2008

Two planets needed by 2030 at this rate, warns report, Humans using 30% more resources than sustainable http://www.forestrycenter.org/index.cfm?RefID=104554

Russian National FSC Standard approved

FSC | NOV. 26, 2008

The National Standards Accreditation Committee for the FSC Board of Directors has delivered a positive accreditation decision for one new FSC regional forest stewardship standard - the Russian National FSC Standard. http://www.forestrycenter.org/index.cfm?RefID=104559

Events

Midwest Invasive Plant Network Annual Meeting

DECEMBER 10-11, 2008, INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA

You can register on-line by going to the North Central Weed Science Society website (www.ncwss.org) and selecting "Annual Meeting" in the navigation bar on the left. This site also includes information about the discounted hotel rates, and the meeting venue.

For more information contact Kate Howe at http://www.forestrycenter.org/events.cfm?refID=104114&categoryID=

Forestry Hike

December 13, 2008, Hillsboro, WI

Forest Management will be explored on a hike in the woods south of Hillsboro on Saturday, December 13 at 10:00 am. The event is sponsored by the Kickapoo Woods Cooperative, a landowner group offering forestry and education services to woodland owners.

For more information contact Lila Marmel at 608-642-5269 or sunmoon@mwt.net or visit <a href="mailto:http://www.forestrycenter.org/events.cfm?refID=104556&categoryID="mailto:http://www.forestrycenter.org/events.cfm?refID=104556&categoryID="mailto:http://www.forestrycenter.org/events.cfm?refID=104556&categoryID="mailto:http://www.forestrycenter.org/events.cfm?refID=104556&categoryID="mailto:http://www.forestrycenter.org/events.cfm?refID=104556&categoryID="mailto:http://www.forestrycenter.org/events.cfm?refID=104556&categoryID="mailto:http://www.forestrycenter.org/events.cfm?refID=104556&categoryID="mailto:http://www.forestrycenter.org/events.cfm?refID=104556&categoryID="mailto:http://www.forestrycenter.org/events.cfm?refID=104556&categoryID="mailto:http://www.forestrycenter.org/events.cfm?refID=104556&categoryID="mailto:http://www.forestrycenter.org/events.cfm?refID=104556&categoryID="mailto:http://www.forestrycenter.org/events.cfm?refID=104556&categoryID="mailto:http://www.forestrycenter.org/events.cfm?refID=104556&categoryID="mailto:http://www.forestrycenter.org/events.cfm?refID=10456&categoryID="mailto:http://www.forestrycenter.org/events.cfm]

Webinar: Forest-based Bioenergy: A National Perspective

DECEMBER 15, 2008, WEBINAR

Presented by Dr. P. Daniel Cassidy. National program leader for Forest-Based Bioenergy with USDA CSREES

There has been unprecedented interest in renewable energy the last several years due to factors such as increasing energy prices, environmental concerns, and national security.

For more information, visit:

http://www.forestrycenter.org/events.cfm?refID=104489&categoryID=

Wildlife Management for your Woodland

JANUARY 17, 2008, BARABOO, WI

Become familiar with basic ecological concepts as they relate to wildlife ecology. Learn basic wildlife management techniques. Learn how to identify, inventory, and monitor the wildlife species living on or visiting their land.

For more information, contact Alanna Koshollek at 608-355-0279 ext. 30 or alanna@aldoleopold.org or visit http://www.forestrycenter.org/events.cfm?refID=104418&categoryID=

Winter Sleuths: Dormant Season Tree and Plant Identification

JANUARY 24, 2009, SPRING GREEN, WI

Winter is an ideal time to read the forest landscape! Learn to identify trees and shrubs in winter using bark, leaf scars, buds, branch form, and fruits as clues. Sharpen your plant identification skills and be better able to answer questions about where your woods is headed, management options, and what species to encourage or discourage.

For more information, contact Alanna Koshollek at 608-355-0279 ext. 30 or alanna@aldoleopold.org or visit http://www.forestrycenter.org/events.cfm?refID=104419&categoryID=

Prescribed Fire: Learning from the Past, Planning for the Future

JANUARY 28-30, 2008, STEVENS POINT, WI

This conference is designed to provide working professionals and all involved in the prescribed fire field with in-depth, up-to-date information regarding tools and techniques, legislation and outreach, ecology, safety, and much more.

For more information contact Heather Ross at 877-284-3882 or rrsllc hross@sbcglobal.net or visit: http://www.forestrycenter.org/events.cfm?refID=104487&categoryID="mailto:http://www.forestrycenter.org/events.cfm">http://www.forestrycenter.org/events.cfm?

Invasive Species of Grasslands Conference

FEBRUARY, 21, 2009, MADISON, WI

The Invasive Plants Association of Wisconsin is pleased to announce that their 2009 conference will be held in conjunction with the annual Prairie Enthusiasts Banquet. Anyone who has an interest in grassland stewardship can't afford to miss these two exciting events! The "Invasive Species of Grasslands" conference will present intermediate- to advanced-level information on combating invasive plants of grasslands in the upper Midwest through on-the-ground initiatives, informed planning and monitoring, and advocacy.

For more information contact IPAW at lnfo@IPAW.org or visit: http://www.forestrycenter.org/events.cfm?refID=104488&categoryID=

Publications

Synthesis of Knowledge from Woody Biomass Removal Case Studies

ALEXANDER EVANS/FOREST GUILD AND USFS | SEP. 1, 2008

Interest in woody biomass from forests has increased because of rising fuel costs, concerns about greenhouse gas emissions from fossil fuels, and the threat of catastrophic wildfires. However, getting woody biomass from the forest to the consumer presents economic and logistical challenges. Read the report at

http://www.forestrycenter.org/index.cfm?RefID=104166

Paper Recycling in the United States and Beyond: An Update

Today, paper and paperboard recovery (collection) and recycling (reuse) rates in the United States are approximately 56% and 37%, respectively. Both numbers represent record or near record levels for the nation. Read more...

Harvesting Fuel: Cutting Costs and Reducing Forest Fire Hazards through Biomass Harvest
This study was designed to provide information on two sets of challenges to the development
of biomass markets in and around the Superior National Forest: 1) economic and operational
issues faced by loggers; and 2) environmental constraints of concern to and managers,
scientists and policymakers involved in developing and refining biomass harvest practices. In
the course of our study, we determined that administrative systems and constraints formed a
third and important set of challenges to the development of biomass markets.

Read the full press release
Read the Executive Summary
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