

Community Forestry Resource Center

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Weekly News and Event Summary

May 28, 2009

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Please join us for an IATP special event!

IATP Special Event: Watch the New Documentary *Fresh* at the Riverview on June 3

[Birchwood Cafe](#) and the [Institute for Agriculture and Trade Policy](#) (IATP) invite you to a screening of *Fresh* at the Riverview Theater. This new documentary features farmers, activists and others who are re-inventing our food system, and includes interviews with [Will Allen](#), [Joel Salatin](#) and [Michael Pollan](#). [Learn more.](#)

- **Wednesday, June 3**
- 7:00 p.m. screening; panel immediately following. Join us at Birchwood Cafe after the panel!
- Riverview Theater (3800 42nd Avenue South, Minneapolis); popcorn will be served with local Hope Creamery butter
- Tickets: \$10.00 in advance, \$15.00 at door. Purchase tickets [online](#) or at the Birchwood Cafe.

Panelists:

- Maggie Adamek, Homegrown Minneapolis and University of Minnesota
- JoAnne Berkenkamp, Local Foods Program Director, IATP
- Ana Sofia Joanes, Director and Producer, *Fresh*
- Greg Reynolds, Riverbend Farms
- Tracy Singleton, Owner, Birchwood Cafe

Minneapolis *Fresh* screenings are supported by the Birchwood Cafe, Bryant-Lake Bowl, Institute for Agriculture and Trade Policy, Land Stewardship Project and Twin Cities Natural Food Co-ops.

News

Dovetail Partners Releases Green Building Comparison Report

MAY 28, 2009

Review of the Minnesota GreenStar Program and National Green Building Standard
<http://www.forestrycenter.org/index.cfm?RefID=106142>

Fast-spreading oak wilt proves costly (Tex.)

AMERICAN-STATESMAN | MAY 28, 2009

Tree fungus kills trees, harms property values.

<http://www.forestrycenter.org/index.cfm?RefID=106145>

Climate Change Forces Michigan Mammals Northward

MAY 28, 2009

Some of Michigan's forest mammals are expanding their ranges to the north, likely in response to climate change, a new study shows. <http://www.forestrycenter.org/index.cfm?RefID=106146>

Global warming's impacts on state forests: Burn baby burn! (Wash.)

SEATTLE POST-INTELLIGENCER | MAY 28, 2009

Lands commissioner says our children will live with consequences

<http://www.forestrycenter.org/index.cfm?RefID=106147>

World's largest mangrove forest to bear brunt of cyclone Aila

CHINA VIEW | MAY 28, 2009

Sundarbans, the world's largest mangrove forest in Bangladesh's southwestern part, suffered another blow by cyclone Aila on Monday before it could fully recover from the hit of cyclone Sidr in November 2007. <http://www.forestrycenter.org/index.cfm?RefID=106144>

Events

Bird Conservation: How Private Landowners Can Help Iowa's Birds

MAY 29, 2009, YELLOW RIVER, IA

Learn about birds in their natural habitat and what you can do to help at the upcoming "Bird Conservation Practices on Private Lands" Workshop. Join resource managers in the field as they discuss private land stewardship, songbird habitat, and woodland management connection.

For more information, contact John Stravers at 563-886-8046 or hawk@acegroup.cc or visit <http://www.forestrycenter.org/events.cfm?refID=106082&categoryID=>.

IPAW Annual Meeting

May 30, 2009, Madison, WI

The annual meeting of the Invasive Plants Association of Wisconsin will provide educational, social and entertainment opportunities. IPAW members and others are invited to participate. We are synchronizing our meeting with a 2-day workshop that will train more than 100 people on documenting and monitoring the location of invasive plants in Wisconsin with high tech tools.

For more information, contact the Invasive Plants Association of Wisconsin, or visit <http://www.forestrycenter.org/events.cfm?refID=105906&categoryID=>

Bird Friendly Forestry

JUNE 6, 2009, LA FARGE, WI

Learn about sustainable forestry and bird habitat management! Join leading experts in the field as

they discuss forest stewardship options and the management of forest habitat for neotropical migratory songbirds.

For more information, contact David Wilson at 608-723-6377 ext. 135 or

David.Wilson@rcdnet.net, or visit

<http://www.forestrycenter.org/events.cfm?refID=106032&categoryID=>

Forest and Range Owners Field Day

JUNE 20, 2009, REPUBLIC, WA

The Forest and Range Owners Field Day is an out-in-the-woods educational experience that will 1) increase awareness of fundamental management techniques and emerging issues, 2) stimulate best practices behaviors, and 3) unite landowners with products and services that will help them accomplish their land stewardship objectives.

For more information, contact Andy Perleberg at 509-667-6540 or visit

<http://www.forestrycenter.org/events.cfm?refID=106143&categoryID=>

Wetland Connections Conference

JUNE 21-26, 2009, MADISON, WI

Wetland Connections is a deliberately broad and inclusive theme for the 2009 conference. Although wetlands cover only 5% of the earth's surface, they maintain essential links between land and water — in inland lakes and streams, arctic muskeg, and where the inland waters meet the ocean in estuaries, salt marshes, and mangroves.

For more information, visit

<http://www.forestrycenter.org/events.cfm?refID=105535&categoryID=>

Family Forestland Ownership and Taxes

JUNE 23, 2009, INTERNATIONAL FALLS, MN

Landowners with income from timber sales receive significant tax benefits if they operate as a business. Learn what you should do to show that you are operating as a business. You will learn about a simple record keeping method that can document a business interest and create a personalized history of your woodland.

For more information, contact Justin Berg at 218-283-1175 or visit

<http://www.forestrycenter.org/events.cfm?refID=105946&categoryID=>

Invasive Plant Species Control Measures

JULY 20, 2009, GRAND RAPIDS, MN

Discuss problems presented by invasive non-native plants and the difficulties in eradicating them from your properties.

For more information, contact Ketih Matson at 218-246-8104 or keithmatson@hotmail.com, or

visit <http://www.forestrycenter.org/events.cfm?refID=105947&categoryID=>.

Information

Woody Biomass Harvest for Habitat Restoration in Minnesota

An RFP titled "Woody Biomass Harvest for Habitat Restoration" has been posted to solicit potential projects to be funded through the Woody Biomass Project of the MN DNR Ecological Resources Division. Funds to be dispersed in this final round resulted from previous projects that were completed at a cost lower than originally estimated.

The project description, selection criteria, selection process, and application information can be found on the MN DNR Grants webpage at <http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/grants/habitat/biomass.html>. Application deadline is 12:00 noon on June 26, 2009. Please contact Barb Spears, Woody Biomass Project Coordinator, with any questions at 651-259-5849

Information on Emerald Ash Borer Quarantine in Houston County, MN

On April 22, 2009, Minnesota established a quarantine area for emerald ash borer (EAB) which included all of Houston County. EAB has not been detected in Houston County, but Minnesota has established it as a quarantine area due to its physical proximity to a known EAB infestation in Vernon County, WI.

For more information on the EAB quarantine area in Minnesota, visit <http://www.forestrycenter.org/library.cfm?refid=105911>.

Publications

Property Tax Relief for Forest Landowners

MEL BAUGHMAN | FEB. 26, 2009

An excellent document written by Mel Baughman for the Minnesota Forestry Association about SFIA and 2c. <http://www.forestrycenter.org/index.cfm?RefID=105337>

2010 National Report on Sustainable Forests

USDA FOREST SERVICE | JAN. 29, 2009

The Draft National Report on Sustainable Forests--2010 describes the state of forests in the United States of America and the indicators of national progress toward the goal of sustainable forest management.

Read the report at <http://www.forestrycenter.org/index.cfm?RefID=105063>.

Support IATP and Make a Difference in the World Today! IATP works hard to keep farmers on their land, to ensure the safety of our food supply and to preserve biodiversity and the environment for future generations. We cannot do this work without you. Please join us in our work of advocating for fair and sustainable food, farm and trade systems. Your support is greatly appreciated!

Please support our work today! If you have additional questions about supporting IATP, please contact Kate Hoff at 612-870-3404 or khoff@iatp.org or Anne Walters at 612-870-3408 or awalters@iatp.org. www.iatp.org/donate. Thank you!