

AGENDA

8:30-9:00 Registration & Continental Breakfast

9:00-9:10 Welcome, Andy Kimm, NJFA President

9:10-9:20 Greeting from Senator Bob Smith, Chair - Senate Environment & Energy Committee, Member - Judiciary Committee, Creator - NJ Forest Stewardship Task Force

9:20-9:40 New Jersey Forest Service Update - Todd Wyckoff, State Forester & Mike Hart, Supervising Forester

9:40-10:10 Stihl Presentation (Battery vs. Gas-Powered Equipment)

10:10-10:25 Refreshment Break & Silent Auction

10:25-10:35 NJ Forest Stewardship Task Force Update - Andy Bennett, NJFA Director, Co-Chair, NJFSTF

10:35-11:10 "Forest Management in a Changing World" - Ethan Tapper, Chittenden County (VT) Forester

11:10-11:45 "Balancing Interests in Forest Management"- Matt Olson, Assistant Professor of Environmental Science, Stockton University

11:45-12:05 "Coordinating Management Objectives - Can one size fit all?"
Panel Discussion - Ethan Tapper, Matt Olson & Don Donnelly, Forester - NRCS

12:05-1:30 Lunch, Annual Business Meeting, Silent Auction

1:30-2:05 "Creating a Young Forest Habitat for Endangered Species on Sparta Mountain" - Sharon Petzinger, Senior Zoologist, NJ Division of Fish & Wildlife & Don Donnelly, NRCS

2:05-2:25 "Habitat Restoration"
Panel Discussion - Ethan Tapper, Sharon Petzinger, Ryan Hasko, Project Director, Forest Health & Resiliency, NJ Audubon & Beth Frieday, Senior Fish & Wildlife Biologist/NRCS Liaison, NJ Ecological Services

2:25-2:45 Key Takeaways - Ethan Tapper

2:45-3:00 Group Q&A

3:00-3:20 Break and Silent Auction

3:20-3:45 Presentations from NJFA Partners - NJ Audubon, NJ Fish & Wildlife, US Fish & Wildlife, NRCS & NJ Farm Bureau

3:45-4:00 Chainsaw Raffle, 50/50 Cash Raffle, Silent Auction, & Wrap Up