

**2015 GATHERING PARTNERS OF NATURAL RESOURCES CONFERENCE SCHEDULE**

**Saturday, May 16**

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| 6:00-7:00 a.m.        |  |   |   |  |   |   |   |  |  |  |   |  |   | Specialized Early Morning Walks - TBD  |  |                          |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 7:00-8:00 a.m.        |  |   |   |  |   |   |   |  |  |  |   |  |   | Registration Open  |  |                          |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 7:00 a.m.             |  |   |   |  |   |   |   |  |  |  |   |  |   | Breakfast/Welcome  |  |                          |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 7:45-8:00 a.m.        |  |   |   |  |   |   |   |  |  |  |   |  |   | Load Buses   |  |                          |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 8:00 a.m.             |  |   |   |  |   |   |   |  |  |  |   |  |   | Leave on Field Trip  |  |                          |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 8:00-9:15 a.m.        |  | Minnesota Wildlife Tracking Project                                     | Signs of the Seasons: What's Happening in Phenology in Minnesota?                 | Managing Red Pine: From Pine to Products -                 | Introduction to Gathering Woodland Products                 | What's in My Woods? Conducting a Woodland Inventory | Early Detection of Aquatic Invasive Species                   | Exploring Amphibians and Reptiles in Minnesota Through Conservation, Education, Fieldwork, and Hands-on Activities | Eye Spy: A Hands-on Photography Class to Help You "See" the Light (Field Trip) | Chainsaw Safety and Directional Falling Workshop (Field Trip)                                | iNaturalist: Discover a Way to Record the World Around You (Field Trip) | Finding the Lost 40 (Field Trip)                             | On-the-ground Forest Management (Field Trip)  | Explore the Ancient Bogs of Aitkin County (Field Trip)                                   |  |                          |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 9:30-10:45 a.m.       |  | Macro Photography Techniques for Wildflower Photography                 | Restoration Forestry: Transforming Disturbance into Health on Private Forestlands | Minnesota Women's Woodland Network: Leadership Development |   | Grazing Your Woods: Problems and Solutions          | Visit the Wild Places: Minnesota's Natural Areas              |  |  |  |   |  |   |  | Fishers and Martens: Seeing the Structure for the Forest |                          |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 11:00 a.m.-12:15 p.m. |  | Recycling Fun: Making Spiders from Old Jewelry                          | Sharp-tailed Grouse and Woodcock Habitat Management                               |  |   |   | Silviculture: Working to Improve our Forest Ecosystems        |  |  |  |   |  |   |  |  |                          |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 12:15 p.m.            |  |   |   |  |   |   |   |  |  |  |   |  |   | Lunch at Sawmill Inn   |  |                          |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 12:30-1:15 p.m.       |  |   |   |  |   |   |   |  |  |  |   |  |   | Lunch at Forest History Center   |  |                          |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1:15 p.m.             |  |   |   |  |   |   |   |  |  |  |   |  |   | Load Bus for Field Trip  |  |                          |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1:15-2:30 p.m.        |  | Exchanging Ideas and Information Among Landowners through Peer Learning | Volunteer Opportunities in Minnesota School Forests                               | Agroforestry Practices for Woodland and Forest Owners      | Bears: Where we are, where we went, and how do we get back? | FLYING WILD: A Guide to Celebrating BIRDS           | Our Changing Seasons: A Citizen Science Project for Minnesota | Interagency Fire Center: A Walking Tour  | Minnesota's Forests: An Historical Perspective (Field Trip)                    | Combining Energy for Land Management: Sawmill and Small Equipment Demonstration (Field Trip) | iNaturalist: Discover a Way to Record the World Around You (Field Trip) | Origins of the Iron Range: Hill Annex Mine Tour (Field Trip) | Come Visit a Wild Place: Boltuck-Rice Forever Wild Scientific and Natural Area (Field Trip) | Lake Bottom Organisms and Guided Lake Hike at Long Lake Conservation Center (Field Trip) |  |                          |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2:45-4:00 p.m.        |  | Loons on the Landscape  | Bugs and Crud Invading Your Woods   | Black Spruce Bog: An Ecology and Phenology Walk            |   |   |   |  |  |  |   |  |   |  | Identify Early Detection Invasive Plants                 | In a Patch of Goldenrods | Emerald Ash Borer, Baseball Fields, a Harmless Wasp and You! | Meet a Forester: Finding Help for Woodland Stewardship |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3:00 p.m.             |  |   |   |  |   |   |   |  |  |  |   |  |   |  |  |                          |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4:15-5:30 p.m.        |  | What Trees Should I Plant? Forest Health for the Future                 |   |  |   |   |   |  | Hands-on Learning with Nontimber Forest Products (Field Trip)                  |  |   |  |   |  |  |                          |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 5:30-6:00 p.m.        |  |   |   |  |   |   |   |  |  |  |   |  |   | Visit Exhibit Booth/Silent Auction/MN Nat Store  |  |                          |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 6:00 p.m.             |  |   |   |  |   |   |   |  |  |  |   |  |   | Dinner - Buffet at Sawmill Inn   |  |                          |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 7:30-8:30 p.m.        |  |   |   |  |   |   |   |  |  |  |   |  |   | Keynote Speaker - John Latimer at Sawmill Inn  |  |                          |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 8:30-11:00 p.m.       |  | MNat Instructor Meeting   |   |  |   |   |   |  |  |  |   |  |   | Poolside Social with Live Music and Cash Bar   |  |                          |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |