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News

Dovetail Partners Provides Information about Emerald Ash Borer

DOVETAIL PARTNERS, INC. | JULY 30, 2009

Update Addresses Invasive Species and Firewood Movement Threat

<http://www.forestrycenter.org/index.cfm?RefID=106547>

Area maple trees hit hard by fungus (Iowa)

TIMES REPUBLICAN | JULY 30, 2009

A rash of a disease known as anthracnose has made its way throughout Marshalltown, causing some concern among local residents. <http://www.forestrycenter.org/index.cfm?RefID=106550>

Blog: Tree Huggers: How to Come to Grips With Forest Offsets?

WALL STREET JOURNAL BLOGS | JULY 30, 2009

Our colleague Jeff Ball raises a Taoist question about efforts to tackle climate change: When is inaction really action? In other words, does not cutting down a tree amount to curbing greenhouse-gas emissions, <http://www.forestrycenter.org/index.cfm?RefID=106543>

A New Fight Over Pollution Curbs Takes Root

WALL STREET JOURNAL | JULY 30, 2009

Energy-Intensive Companies Hope to Counter Emissions by Preserving Trees That Might Not Have Been at Risk of Destruction <http://www.forestrycenter.org/index.cfm?RefID=106544>

Meet the beetles (Vt.)

TIMES ARGUES | JULY 30, 2009

Visitors from Canada and Massachusetts ordinarily boost the state's economy. But two species of insects – the emerald ash borer and Asian long-horned beetle – have state agriculture officials worried. <http://www.forestrycenter.org/index.cfm?RefID=106545>

In Decimated Timber Industry, Tribes Find Niche Market

OREGON PUBLIC BROADCASTING | JULY 30, 2009

The Northwest timber industry has been decimated by the nationwide housing slump. But one mill is still churning out planks. <http://www.forestrycenter.org/index.cfm?RefID=106546>

On wood, burning questions

THE BOSTON GLOBE | JULY 30, 2009

Critics challenge 'green' fuel claims <http://www.forestrycenter.org/index.cfm?RefID=106549>

Study: Wildfires will increase with climate change (Ore.)

THE OREGONIAN | JULY 30, 2009

A warming climate will lead to more wildfires in coming decades, with the most dramatic increase in the Northwest, a new study predicts.

<http://www.forestrycenter.org/index.cfm?RefID=106551>

Timber body under fire over climate aid claims (Australia)

THE AGE | JULY 27, 2009

A TIMBER industry body is being investigated over claims it misled the public by asserting that buying wood products helps the fight against climate change.

<http://www.forestrycenter.org/index.cfm?RefID=106502>

Events

Estate Planning for Forest Landowners—Your Living Legacy

AUGUST 1, 2009, EAGLE RIVER, WI

The meeting will feature three expert speakers who will emphasize different aspects of this central issue. The day opens with Carol Nielsen, a longtime member of the Wisconsin DNR division of forestry.

For more information, contact Joe Hovel at 715-479-8528 or logcabin@nnex.net, or visit <http://www.forestrycenter.org/events.cfm?refID=106315&categoryID=>.

Tree Doctors: Diagnose Your Forest's Health

August 3, 2009, Grand Rapids, MN

Walk through an older hardwood stand adjacent to the Forest History Center to view insect, disease and weather-damaged trees. Discuss their presence and influences upon the health of the woods in general, including the positive as well as negative effects they have on the health of the forest.

For more information, contact Keith Matson at 218-246-8104 or keithmatson@hotmail.com, or visit <http://www.forestrycenter.org/events.cfm?refID=106487&categoryID=>.

Making the Most of Your Woods

August 10, 2009, Grand Rapids, MN

View Unmanaged Pine and Hardwood Sawtimber stands, Plantations, and recent harvests (thinning and clear-cut units) and salvage harvested areas with pine underplanting.

For more information, contact Keith Matson at 218-246-8104 or keithmatson@hotmail.com, or visit <http://www.forestrycenter.org/events.cfm?refID=106488&categoryID=>.

WEBINAR: Emerald Ash Borer Quarantine: Q&A

August 18, 2009, Webinar

Agenda Coming Soon.

For more information, visit

[http://www.forestrycenter.org/events.cfm?refID=106552&categoryID=.](http://www.forestrycenter.org/events.cfm?refID=106552&categoryID=)

Minnesota Forest Management Guidelines – Introduction & Implementation.

September 1-2, 2009, Cloquet, MN

These two days of training provide an introduction to Minnesota's Forest Management and Biomass Harvesting Guidelines. After completing both days, participants will be knowledgeable of the Guidelines and how to implement them in their sale design and harvest operations.

For more information, visit

[http://www.forestrycenter.org/events.cfm?refID=106553&categoryID=.](http://www.forestrycenter.org/events.cfm?refID=106553&categoryID=)

Information

Job Openings: Executive Director, Forest Guild.

The Forest Guild seeks qualified candidates for immediate Executive Director position opening for national organization of foresters and allied natural resource professionals dedicated to promoting environmentally and socially responsible forest management. Headquartered in Santa Fe, New Mexico, the Forest Guild maintains presence nationwide with regional office in Massachusetts and volunteer coordinators in 11 states.

The successful candidate will have demonstrated professional leadership experience in non-profit management, fundraising, and professional forestry or closely related natural resource discipline. Salary commensurate with qualifications and experience. Detailed Position Description available: <http://www.forestguild.org> or call 505.983.8992 x 20. **APPLICATION DEADLINE: August 31, 2009.**

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

How to Respond to Questions about EAB in Minnesota

Since the discovery of EAB in St. Paul and just into Wisconsin east of Houston County, Minnesota, you may have landowners calling you about EAB. Attached is a one-pager that outlines EAB information sources and who to contact if you or one of your clients has questions about EAB. The document also addresses EAB quarantines, firewood restrictions, and gypsy moth information. View the document by visiting <http://www.forestrycenter.org/library.cfm?refID=106189>.

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>.

New York Invasive Species Clearinghouse Web site on Emerald Ash Borer

With the unfortunate (not not unexpected) discovery of EAB in western NY, the NY Invasive Species Clearinghouse has rolled out a new EAB page on [NYIS.INFO](http://www.nyis.info). You can get to it either from the EAB announcement at the top of our homepage or go directly to our emerald ash borer page. The page contains links to numerous state, regional, federal, research and educational resources regarding the insect; new material is being added continuously.

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>.

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