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SFI's New 2022 Standards and Rules

Sustainable forest management and the procurement of wood products from sustainably managed sources are critical tools that support the long-term sustainability of forests and ensure the multitude of benefits that forests provide for future generations. When supported by the right policy frameworks, sustainable forest management acts as a bold but proven approach to tackling multiple global challenges by doing good instead of just avoiding harm.

The Sustainable Forestry Initiative's (SFI) updated forest certification standards provide solutions to some of the world's most pressing sustainability challenges. SFI is the largest forest certification standard in the world and its requirements are backed by third-party verification audits. Among other things. SFI



certification ensures healthy forests that mitigate climate change, reduce the impacts of catastrophic fire, protect and maintain biodiversity and verify that fiber is sourced legally and sustainably.

STANDARDS BUILT THROUGH COLLABORATION

SFI regularly revises and updates the SFI standards to incorporate the latest scientific information, respond to emerging issues, and ensure continual improvement. This open and transparent process includes engaging thousands from the conservation community, Indigenous communities, the forest products sector, brand owners, private forest landowners, public forest managers, government agencies, trade associations, landowner associations, academia and the public. By leveraging this diverse expertise through focused engagement, and by including open comment periods, SFI creates standards that are grounded in science, include diverse perspectives, and benefit consumers, communities, and ultimately forests across North America.

Starting in October 2019, SFI officially launched a two-year process that included two public comment periods, a dozen webinars, and over 30 task group meetings. Nearly 2,300 individuals and organizations participated in webinars and/or submitted comments on the draft SFI 2022 standards. From this two-year process, major innovative improvements in the SFI standards were made to address key sustainability challenges.

The newly released 2022 Standards and Rules are available online at: https://www.forests.org/standards/

PROACTIVELY ADDRESSING CLIMATE CHANGE

Forests and forest products capture almost 15 percent of our global carbon emissions each year. But to harness and maximize this nature-based solution to climate change, we need to acknowledge and support the role of sustainably managed forests.

The new SFI Climate Smart Forestry Objective is a highlight of the new standards. It supports a commitment to ensuring SFI standards address critical global sustainability issues. Forests and forest products play a central role in the carbon cycle and with proper management, can be one of the most effective nature-based solutions to the climate crisis. SFI-certified organizations are required to ensure forest management activities address climate change adaptation and incorporate mitigation measures.

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Sustainable Forestry Initiative® (SFI®) Program

SFI (www.sfiprogram.org), is a solutionsoriented sustainability organization that collaborates on forest-based conservation and community initiatives that demonstrate and enhance our shared quality of life while providing supply chain assurances through standards, data, and authentic stories.

At the heart of the SFI Program are SFI Implementation Committees (SICs). The Pennsylvania SIC is one of 34 spread across North America that responds to local needs and issues through the SFI Program at the local level. This grassroots network is unique to the SFI Program.

The Pennsylvania SIC's purpose is to promote wise forest stewardship, enabling Pennsylvania communities to thrive through a successful forest products industry. We work hard to support business operations by training and developing the logger workforce, educating the public about the value of working forests, promoting SFI forest certification, and assisting with regulatory issues. Our alliance of deeply committed professionals from across the forestry community builds partnerships with many other conservation organizations who depend on the forest industry to advance their own missions. These relationships allow us to serve with great impact.

Learn more at www.sfiofpa.org

SFI®-Certified Organizations Supporting the PA SIC

These companies operate in Pennsylvania and are certified to be in conformance with the SFI Standard. They also provide direct involvement and financial support to the Pennsylvania SFI® Implementation Committee (SIC).

PA DCNR Bureau of Forestry
Domtar Corporation
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Georgia-Pacific, LLC
GreenWood Resources, Inc.
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SFI is mobilizing forests for climate change mitigation by leveraging the scale of SFI-certified forests, which span across 370 million acres of North America, ensuring that their management contributes positively to carbon capture, climate resiliency and long-term carbon sequestration. Through science-based management and third-party validated requirements, we can ensure healthy forests for our shared future. Forests are a powerful resource to mitigate climate change — but we can't take them for granted. By using certified products that leverage forests and forest management in the battle against climate change, we can share a sustainable future.

REDUCING THE IMPACT OF WILDFIRES

Forest fires have long played a role in the evolution and function of natural ecosystems, but we are now seeing an increase in catastrophic fires that have dire consequences for our forests, wildlife, and communities. Sustainable forest management is also a key mitigation tool in the fight against catastrophic wildfires. The SFI Forest Management Standard has a new Fire Resiliency and Awareness Objective that requires SFI-certified organizations to limit susceptibility to undesirable impacts of wildfire, promote healthy and resilient forest conditions through management techniques, support restoration of forests following wildfire damage and engage in efforts to raise awareness of the benefits of fire management and minimization of undesirable impacts of wildfire.

NEW TOOLS TO MEASURE CARBON AND WATER

In December, SFI and the National Council for Air and Stream Improvement (NCASI) launched the SFI-NCASI Carbon (www.forests.org/carbon-tool/) and Water (www.forests.org/water-tool/) Tools. These science-based tools will increase understanding of how SFI-certified forests can be used as nature-based solutions to help mitigate climate change and ensure water conservation.

SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY AND INDIGENOUS RIGHTS

SFI's standards are built on mutual trust and engagement. They help SFI-certified organizations meet societal expectations by ensuring that important issues such as civil rights, equal employment opportunities, gender equality, diversity inclusion, and anti-discrimination and anti-harassment measures are addressed.

An important component of the SFI standards is to Recognize and Respect Indigenous Peoples' Rights (Objective 8). The SFI standards promote respect for Indigenous Peoples' rights, representative institutions, and traditional knowledge, and are aligned with the principles of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples. Specific measures require that SFI-certified organizations are aware of traditional forest-related knowledge, such as known cultural heritage sites, the use of wood in traditional buildings and crafts, and flora that may be used in cultural practices for food, ceremonies, or medicine.

SFI's standards, when leveraged with its three other pillars of work – conservation, community, and education – provide practical, scalable solutions for markets and communities working to pursue a growing commitment to a sustainable planet.

The process for transition from the SFI 2015-2021 Standards to the SFI 2022 Standards is detailed in SFI Section 10, Appendix 5: Standards Transition to the SFI 2022 Standards and Rules. During the transition process, qualifying certificates issued to SFI 2015-2021 Standards are valid until December 31, 2023. After this date, no SFI 2015-2021 certificate is valid.

For a summary of the major enhancements in the SFI 2022 standards, please visit

www.forests.org/sfi-2022-standards-and-rules-revision-process/

PA SFI® Implementation Committee Partners

SIC Partners and their products or services are not SFI certified, but they help to promote sustainable forestry practices throughout Pennsylvania and pledge a contribution annually to the Pennsylvania SIC based on mill production from PA forest resources.

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Pennsylvania SFI Implementation Committee Featured at the 106th Pennsylvania Farm Show

This year's theme for the annual Farm Show in Harrisburg, "Harvesting More", provided a fantastic opportunity for the Pennsylvania Hardwoods Development Council (HDC) and the forest products industry to educate Pennsylvanians about why managing forests through harvesting is important.

The Pennsylvania SFI Implementation Committee (PA SIC) was once again invited to be part of the HDC's exhibit, with PA SIC members and logger training participants volunteering to share their perspectives on how sustainable forestry, carried out by well-trained SFI Qualified Logging Professionals, helps to enhance the health of our forests and supply our forest products industry. We displayed SFI certified forest products that people could recognize from their day to day lives along with a large poster that highlighted assurances the SFI label provides consumers in the market-place. SFI logger training participants showcased the tools and safety equipment they use on a daily basis and demonstrated the skills used to safely fell trees. The exhibit was enhanced by the presence of a hulking John Deere 648L grapple skidder provided by Foster F. Wineland - a first in Farm Show history.







TEAM Safe Trucking and New ELDT Regulations

On February 7, new federal trucking regulations went into effect, establishing a single national standard for training commercial vehicle operators for the first time. These regulations aim to improve highway safety by ensuring that entry-level commercial motor vehicle (CMV) drivers complete a standard curriculum of theory training required by new entry-level driver training (ELDT) regulations. The ELDT rule covers anyone seeking a Class A or B commercial drivers license. Entry-level CMV drivers won't be eligible to take their commercial driver license (CDL) test until successfully completing the specific program of theory and behind-the-wheel instruction provided by a school or other entity listed on Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration's (FMCSA) new Training Provider Registry (TPR).

TEAM Safe Trucking is now an ELDT provider across the United States and provides an approved curriculum specific to the forest trucking industry online for those needing to complete the training. Anyone who is intent on getting their CDL can take these online courses, accessible anywhere and at any time, through TEAM Safe Trucking and satisfy the theory portion of the required training. An individual can complete the courses on his or her own time, or they can be facilitated in a group setting such as at an employer's location.

The Entry Level Driver Theory Training is only available via TEAM Safe Trucking's State Sponsors. State Sponsors support this program by paying an annual fee of \$3,400. PENNSYLVANIA DOES NOT CURRENTLY HAVE A STATE SPONSOR AT THIS TIME. If you know of a trucking focused company, association, or agency that might be willing to provide this sponsorship, please contact Chuck Coup with the Pennsylvania SFI Implementation Committee (814) 355-1010, or Miranda Gowell at TEAM Safe Trucking (207) 841-0250.

The Pennsylvania SFI Implementation Committee is an educational sponsor of TEAM Safe Trucking and therefore does have access to other valuable TST training courses approved for SFI continuing education credit. For more information visit: https://sfiofpa.org/pages/online-logger-training/



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PA SFI Professional Timber Harvester Training Program

The Pennsylvania SFI Professional Timber Harvester Training Program is geared towards commercial timber harvesters; however, it is open to any individual interested in participating. Courses are offered in the spring (mid-March through mid-May) and the fall (mid-September through mid-November) at locations across Pennsylvania each year.

Learn more:

www.sfiofpa.org/requirements

Register for classes:

www.sfiofpa.org/register

Find SFI Qualified Logging Professionals or review your training records:

www.sfiofpa.org/search



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NEWS

Want to Connect with Potential Clients Through Your Pennsylvania SFI Training Record?

The Pennsylvania SFI Implementation Committee (PA SIC) makes our logger training participants' records available to them 24/7 through our website (www.sfiofpa.org/search). This online database receives quite a bit of traffic each year. While some of this is simply training participants or timber sale administrators checking logger training statuses, some of this traffic comes from forest landowners or other potential clients (e.g., log buyers, foresters, and mills). For years the PA SIC has encouraged forest landowners to seek out SFI Qualified Logging Professionals when conducting timber harvests on their property. However, to protect the privacy of our training participants we only share limited information on our participant profiles, giving these individuals no way to contact loggers they might be interested in hiring. This will continue to be our policy, but for those that would like to have their contact information posted to their training profile, they can email the PA SIC and consent to having it added. To do so, please email Mark Ott at mark@sfiofpa.org.



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Pennsylvania Sustainable Forestry Initiative® **Implementation Committee**

Professional Timber Harvester Training Program

2022 Spring Training Schedule

ONLINE TRAINING

The Pennsylvania SFI Implementation Committee is offering the following discounted online training opportunities this spring.

- > These online classes require a high-speed internet connection, and a computer or smart phone with a functioning camera, speakers, and
- > To register for any the following online courses, please visit: www.sfiofpa.org/register

- > Professional Timber Harvesting Essentials can be taken for CE Credit, IF you have not already completed the training in the last 5 years
- > Both Part 1 and Part 2 must be completed to receive credit for Professional Timber Harvesting Essentials. Participants can only register for consecutive day classes.

Course Date	Time	Course Name (Course Descriptions on Registration form)	Location	Cost		Register By
05/26/22 Thurs	8:00 AM	Professional Timber Harvesting Essentials - PART 1 (4 hours)	Online	¢	40.00	05/20/2022
05/27/22 Fri	8:00 AM	Professional Timber Harvesting Essentials - PART 2 (4 hours)		Ф	40.00	05/20/2022

IN-PERSON TRAINING

In-person training participants will be required to follow any necessary COVID-19 precautions.

- > To register for in-person courses, please visit: www.sfiofpa.org/register, or submit the registration form on the back of this page. CORE
- Basic First Aid & Adult CPR does NOT qualify for continuing education credit
- Professional Timber Harvesting Essentials and/or Game of Logging Level 1 can be taken for CE Credit, IF you have not already completed the training in the last 5 years

Course Date	Time	Course Name (Course Descriptions on Registration form)	Location	Cost ◆	Register By
03/12/22 Sat	8:00 AM	Game of Logging - Level 1 (8 hours)	Towanda (Bradford County)	COST IS \$90/PERSON. REGISTER WITH NTHA (nthardwoods.org). ADDITIONAL \$20 FOR PA SFI CE CREDITS	
03/13/22 Sun	8:00 AM	Game of Logging - Level 1 (8 hours)	Hawley (Wayne County)		
04/02/22 Sat	8:00 AM	Game of Logging - Level 1 (8 hours)	Towanda (Bradford County)		
04/03/22 Sun	8:00 AM	Game of Logging - Level 1 (8 hours)	Hawley (Wayne County)		
04/04/22 Mon	7:30 AM	Game of Logging - Level 1 (8 hours)	Penfield (Clearfield County)	\$ 95.00	03/28/2022
04/05/22 Tues	8:00 AM	Professional Timber Harvesting Essentials (8 hours)	Penfield (Clearfield County)	\$ 85.00	03/29/2022
04/05/22 Tues	7:30 AM	Game of Logging - Level 1 (8 hours)	Penfield (Clearfield County)	\$ 95.00	03/29/2022
04/13/22 Wed	8:00 AM	Professional Timber Harvesting Essentials (8 hours)	Irvine (Warren County)	\$ 85.00	04/06/2022
04/14/22 Thurs	7:30 AM	Game of Logging - Level 1 (8 hours)	Titusville (Crawford County)	\$ 95.00	04/07/2022
04/15/22 Fri	9:00 AM	Basic First Aid and Adult CPR (4 hours)	Johnsonburg (Elk County)	\$ 50.00	04/08/2022
04/19/22 Tues	7:30 AM	Game of Logging - Level 1 (8 hours)	Brickerville (Lancaster County)	\$ 95.00	04/12/2022
04/20/22 Wed	8:00 AM	Professional Timber Harvesting Essentials (8 hours)	Laughlintown (Westmoreland)	\$ 85.00	04/13/2022
04/26/22 Tues	7:30 AM	Game of Logging - Level 1 (8 hours)	Clearville (Bedford County)	\$ 95.00	04/19/2022
05/04/22 Wed	8:00 AM	Professional Timber Harvesting Essentials (8 hours)	Honesdale (Wayne County)	\$ 85.00	04/27/2022
05/11/22 Wed	8:00 AM	Professional Timber Harvesting Essentials (8 hours)	Harrisburg (Dauphin County)	\$ 85.00	05/04/2022
05/13/22 Fri	9:00 AM	Basic First Aid and Adult CPR (4 hours)	Johnsonburg (Elk County)	\$ 50.00	05/06/2022
05/25/22 Wed	8:00 AM	Professional Timber Harvesting Essentials (8 hours)	Howard (Centre County)	\$ 85.00	05/18/2022
06/02/22 Thurs	7:30 AM	Game of Logging - Level 1 (8 hours)	Huntingdon (Huntingdon County)	\$ 95.00	05/26/2022
06/03/22 Fri	7:30 AM	Game of Logging - Level 1 (8 hours)	Huntingdon (Huntingdon County)	\$ 95.00	05/27/2022

- Employees insured through Eastern Alliance Insurance Group can have the registration fee for Game of Logging classes paid by WJ Cox Insurance. Please submit proof of insurance with your reg. form.
- Northern Tier Hardwood Association Members can apply for a 50% reimbursement of registration costs after completing courses. Contact NTHA at (570) 265-7753
 ★ Allegheny Hardwood Utilization Group (AHUG) has generously subsidized the registration fee for Basic First Aid and Adult CPR training.

CONTINUING EDUCATION TRAINING

> One (1) year of CE credit is given for each four (4) hours of training completed. Refer to the Program Policy for complete details on training requirements: www.sfiofpa.org/requirements

Course Date	Time	Course Name (Course Descriptions on Registration form)	Location	Cost ◆	Register By	
03/15/22 Tues	8:30 AM	Forest Health, Insect, and Disease Briefing (4 hours)	State College (Centre County)	COST IS \$72/PERSON. REGISTER WITH DSUL Extension (bitter (bit by 2ng Pg 66))		
				PSU Extension (https://bit.ly/3pqBg6C). ADDITIONAL \$20 FOR PA SFI CE CREDITS		
		53 nd Annual Loggers & Saw Millers Spring Safety Meeting (4				
03/29/22 Tues	1:30 PM	hours)	Johnsonburg (Elk County)	\$ 20.00	03/22/2022	
04/09/22 Sat	8:00 AM	Game of Logging - Level 2 (8 hours)	Towanda (Bradford County)	COST IS \$90/PERSON. REGISTER WITH NTHA (nthardwoods.org). ADDITIONAL \$2 FOR PA SFI CE CREDITS		
04/10/22 Sun	8:00 AM	Game of Logging - Level 2 (8 hours)	Hawley (Wayne County)			
04/15/22 Fri	7:30 AM	Game of Logging - Level 3 (8 hours)	Titusville (Crawford County)	\$ 95.00	04/08/2022	
04/15/22 Fri	8:00 AM	Boundary Lines, Maps & Deeds (4 hours)	Dauphin (Dauphin County)	\$ 50.00	04/08/2022	
04/23/22 Sat	8:00 AM	Game of Logging – Level 3 (8 hours)	Towanda (Bradford County)	COST IS \$90/PERSON. REGISTER WITH NTHA (nthardwoods.org). ADDITIONAL \$20 FOR PA SFI CE CREDITS		
04/24/22 Sun	8:00 AM	Game of Logging – Level 3 (8 hours)	Hawley (Wayne County)			
04/25/22 Mon	7:30 AM	Game of Logging - Level 5 (8 hours)	Breezewood (Fulton County)	\$ 95.00	04/18/2022	
04/29/22 Fri	8:00 AM	Hardwood Log Bucking (8 hours)	Reedsville (Mifflin County)	\$ 75.00	04/22/2022	
05/09/22 Mon	12:00 PM	Pennsylvania Wildlife (4 hours)	Smethport (McKean County)	\$ 40.00	05/02/2022	
05/12/22 Thurs	8:00 AM	Valuing standing timber (8 hours)	Penfield (Clearfield County)	COST IS \$10/PERSON. REGISTER WITH		
				PSU Extension (extension.psu.edu). ADDITIONAL \$20 FOR PA SFI CE CREDITS		
05/17/22 Tues	8:00 AM	Erosion Control in Our Forests (4 hours)	McConnellsburg (Fulton County)	\$ 30.00	05/10/2022	
05/21/22 Sat	8:00 AM	Understanding Lumber Grade (8 hours)	Lake Ariel (Wayne County)	• COST IS \$90/PERSON. RE		
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06/25/22 Sat	7:30 AM	Hydraulics System Safety & Maintenance (8 hours)	Montgomery (Lycoming County)	\$ 75.00	06/18/2022	

- + Employees insured through Eastern Alliance Insurance Group can have the registration fee for Game of Logging classes paid by WJ Cox Insurance. Please submit proof of insurance with your reg. form. ◆ Northern Tier Hardwood Association Members can apply for a 50% reimbursement of registration costs after completing courses. Contact NTHA at 570-265-7753

2022 Spring Course Registration Form

- > THIS TRAINING SCHEDULE MAY CHANGE AT ANY TIME WITHOUT ADVANCED NOTIFICATION. For current training offerings please visit: www.sfiofpa.org/register
- Registration fees are non-refundable and non-transferrable after the course registration deadline if the course is held and you do not attend.
- > Registration is on a first come, first served basis. Your space in a course will not be reserved until the registration fee is paid. Please do not delay in making payment or your space could be given to another participant.
- Courses may be cancelled if a minimum number of students are not registered by the registration deadline. Please register on time.
- In-person training participants will be required to follow any necessary COVID-19 precautions.
- For a full description of the Training Program Policies, please visit www.sfiofpa.org/requirements or contact the PA SIC office (mark@sfiofpa.org / 814-230-2866)

ATTENDEE	COURSE DATE	COURSE NAME	COURSE LOCATION	COST		
(Please Print Clearly / One Course Participant Per Form)						
Name: (Full First, Middle Initial, Last)						
Home Mailing Address:						
_						
Home or Cell Phone: ()						
Email:						
Occupation (circle one): • Logger-employee • Truck driver • Forester • Logger-owner • Landowner • Office personnel • Other	Make checks payable to: "Pennsylvania SIC" Mail to: PA SFI Implementation Committee 748 Gravel Point Road Howard, PA 16841		Total Amount Enclosed:			
	Class location and additional information will be sent to you when we receive your registration and payment					

COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

CORE TRAINING:

Required to receive a PA SFI® Professional Timber Harvester Training Card. All 3 requirements must be completed (in any order) within 2 years. Professional Timber

- Harvesting Essentials and/or Game of Logging Level 1 can be taken for CE Credit, IF you have not already completed the training in the last 5 years.

 Professional Timber Harvesting Essentials (8 hours) Covers general safety considerations, chainsaw safety, logging equipment safety (harvesters, loaders, skidders, etc.), trucking safety and Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) Standards that apply to timber harvesting and related activities. Also covers pertinent aspects of Pennsylvania's Clean Streams laws and other water resource protection regulations, Best Management Practices (BMPs), hazardous material control, and logging aesthetics.
 - Game of Logging Level 1 (8 hours) Focuses on introducing the participant to the "open face" felling technique and the development of skills to safely use it. Topics covered include personal protective equipment, chainsaw safety features, chainsaw reactive forces, ore cutting, pre-fitting the depending hinge wood strength. Participants need safety equipment (hard hat, chaps, eye protection, ear protection, and sturdy boots), water, lunch, and should be prepared to spend the day outside (rain or shine). Participants are not required to provide their own chainsaw.
 - First Aid & CPR (4 hours) Because timber harvesting is a hazardous occupation, OSHA regulations require that everyone who works in the woods maintain current First Aid & CPR training from a provider who can issue a certificate or a card as documentation of hands-on training (i.e. no online certifications will be accepted). Individuals do not need to complete this training through the PA SFI Professional Timber Harvester Training Program; however, they must provide proof of First Aid & CPR certification to receive their initial training card (we cannot accept the MSHA 5000-23 form as satisfaction of this requirement). Course duration varies by instructor. DOES NOT COUNT FOR CE CREDIT.

CONTINUING EDUCATION (CE):

One (1) year of CE credit is given for each four (4) hours of CE training completed. CE credits can only extend your card date a maximum of three (3) years from the current calendar year. CE credit will not be awarded for taking the same class more than once in a five (5) year period.

- 53nd Annual Loggers and Saw Millers Spring Safety Meeting (4 hours) TO RECEIVE CE CREDIT PARTICIPANTS MUST ATTEND BOTH THE SFI UPDATE CLASS AND THE ANNUAL SAFETY MEETING THAT FOLLOWS. THIS WILL BE MORE THAN A 4 HOUR TIME COMMITMENT. Come be a part of the oldest logging safety meeting in the United States. Free dinner and door prizes. This year's training is titled "Logger Trauma Survival Training". The course will be presented by Tim Emperor of NE Timber Safety Services and will focus on the basics of rendering rural trauma survival aid, hands-on team approach techniques, how to make critical lifesaving decisions with specific emphasis on "Move or NOT move", comparisons of traditional first aid kits to rural trauma kits, forming a response team, scene assessment, team rescue exercises, and more
- Boundary Lines, Maps & Deeds (4 hours) This course covers the fundamentals of researching deeds, locating and marking boundary lines on the ground using a map and compass and GPS technology, and how to make maps using conventional paper methods, freeware such as Google Earth, and other mapping software. This training involves both classroom and field exercises.
- Erosion Control in Our Forests (4 hours) This online workshop discusses Pennsylvania's environmental regulatory requirements (chapters 93, 102, & 105 of PA Code). It discusses planning before the harvest, stream crossings, best management practices, reading E&S plans, and other considerations during and after the timber harvest. This will be an indoor training.
- Forest Health, Insect, and Disease Briefing (4 hours) The 41st annual spring Briefing reports on the status of Pennsylvania's forest insect and disease issues as well as other important forest health updates and information and provides a core pesticide credit training session.
- Game of Logging (8 hours, each Level) These courses cover chainsaw safety and safe/efficient harvesting techniques. They MUST be taken in order. Level 1 (see description under Core Training section). Level 2 focuses on saw maintenance, chain sharpening techniques, releasing spring poles safely, and directional tree felling. Level 3 focuses on handling difficult trees. Topics covered include limbing, wedging techniques and hinge placement. This training is conducted in the field. Level 5 provides a review of all four previous levels and offers participants the opportunity to discuss unanswered questions or challenging situations with the instructor and other participants. Storm Damage provides tips on how to safely handle the dangerous pressures and tensions associated with blown-down and
- Hardwood Log Bucking (8 hours) This program is designed to integrate field, classroom and computer simulation techniques to teach better log bucking decisions. The goal is to increase the value and quality of hardwood logs by improving the log bucking skills of loggers and yard workers.
- Hydraulic Systems Safety & Maintenance (8 hours) This hands-on course will introduce participants to the theory of hydraulic operation, nomenclature and function of associated components, safety practices, general maintenance, and diagnostic troubleshooting of hydraulic systems.
- Pennsylvania Wildlife (4 hours) a comprehensive four hour course on common wild birds and mammals found in Pennsylvania with a specific emphasis on the habitat needs of white-tailed deer, black bears and wild turkeys. Included will be segments on identifying wildlife foods, tracks, other sign and calls. The legacy of Pennsylvania's premier wildlife artist, the late Ned Smith, will also be covered.
- Understanding Lumber Grade (8 hours) This course will introduce basic knowledge about hardwood lumber grades, tree grades, and log grades. It will explain how the different grades are established and will provide an understanding of how the tee, lumber, and log grades affect each other.
- Valuing Standing Timber (8 hours) How do you estimate the volume and value of timber being sold on a given forest tract? This workshop teaches the methods by which reasonable estimates of timber volumes and values can be obtained. The tools and correct tree measurement methods will be covered. The workshop will show how to tally trees and create usable summaries of species, volume, and value. Involves both classroom and hands-on field exercises.

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KANE AREA LOGGER & SAWMILLER SAFETY MEETING

Where:

Johnsonburg Firehall, Johnsonburg, PA

When:

Tuesday, March 29, 2022

This year's theme:

"Logger Trauma Survival Training"

Evening Presentation: Tim Empperor

NE Timber Safety Services

Topics include: The realities of rendering trauma survival aid in a rural environment, communicating location, personal accountability in a rural workplace setting.

Exhibitor Expo & On-site Registration for evening begins @4:30 pm Dinner @ 5:30 pm Safety Meeting @ 6:15 pm

SFI Class 1:30 — 4:30 pm

On site registration 1:00 — 1:30 pm

Topics include: Basics of rendering rural trauma survival aid , hands-on team approach techniques and how to make critical lifesaving decisions, with specific emphasis on "Move or NOT Move", comparison of traditional 1st Aid kits to Rural Trauma kits, forming a response team, scene assessment, team rescue exercises and more.

Please register in Advance at: www.SFIOFPA.ORG/REGISTER NOTE: Both afternoon classes and evening program must be attended to receive SFI continuing ed credit (1 year). This is more than a 4 hour time commitment.