

WOODLAND OWNER WORKSHOP SERIES

2018 PROGRAM AGENDA

All Workshops run from 9 AM until noon

Week One and Two Sessions are Co-Sponsored by the West Greenwich Land Trust

WEEK ONE: February 10, 2018 West Greenwich Community Center

Session 1: “Getting Started” Guest Speaker: Marc J. Tremblay, CF, forester

- Management planning: your goals & objectives;
- Forest Certification, Tree Farm Program, Forestry Plans, & Cost-share Programs
- Manage Your Woodlot as a Business: Tree Farm Accounting & Taxes

Session 2: “Where Is It: Mapping Your Woodland” Guest Speaker: Bill Buffum, URI
Digital Mapping Programs (Web Soil Survey, Google Earth, ArcMap)

WEEK TWO: February 17, 2018 West Greenwich Community Center

Session 3: “Alternative Energy Siting” – Is the Fragmentation of our Forests Worth It??
Guest Speakers: Scott Millar, GrowSmarterRI & Paul Raducha, Kearsage Energy

Session 4: “Property Liability Issues”– Trespass, Insurance, Timber Harvests
Guest Speakers: John Howard, Farm Family & attorney TBD

Week Three and Four Sessions are Co-Sponsored by the Scituate Conservation Commission

WEEK THREE: February 24, 2018 Scituate Senior Center

Session 5: “What Attacks It” Guest Speaker: Paul Ricard, RI DFE Forest Health Program
Forest Health Impacts from Insects – Winter Moth, Gypsy Moth, Southern Pine Beetle,
and other new and recurring enemies of our rural and urban forests, & effects of cold weather

Session 6: “Gypsy Moth-killed Oak Resource” Guest Speaker: Joe Tatro, RI Sawmill
Can you still harvest it? & Mushroom Cultivation with Bill and Hilary Fortune

WEEK FOUR: March 3, 2018 Scituate Senior Center

Session 7: “What Lives There” Guest Speaker: Gary Casabona, biologist, USDA-NRCS
Wildlife Habitat: Protecting our threatened and endangered species – Wood turtle &
Spotted turtles; Wetland Reserve Easement Program, & new Regional Conservation project

Session 8: “What Can Change It?” Guest Speakers: Dr. David Gregg, RINHS &
Christopher Riely, Providence Water
Forest Resilience to Climate, Weather, Fire, Deer Browse, Invasive Plants, and other
long-term impacts that can change what our forests will look like and how well it can still protect
water quality & provide other benefits.