GEORGIA FORESTRY
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Meeting the Challenges for Forest Landowners

October 8, 2013 - Tifton, Georgia
University of Georgia
Tifton Conference Center

October 29, 2013 - Columbus, Georgia
Columbus Convention & Trade Center

Resource Professionals,

The Georgia Forestry Commission is organizing and hosting a one-day training seminar targeting private landowners, foresters, loggers, certified arborists, and others involved in the management, status, and risks of our natural resources in Georgia. These workshops will be held in **Tifton, Georgia on October 8** at the **University of Georgia Tifton Campus Conference Center** and in **Columbus, Georgia on October 29** at the **Columbus Convention & Trade Center**. More information can be found on the agenda and maps located within this document. Continuing education credits will be issued for Registered Foresters (6 Hours – CFE Category 1), Logger (3 Hours Business Management, 3 Hours Environmental CLE), Certified Arborist (6 Hours – Certified Arborist, Municipal Specialist, and BCMA – Management), and Commercial Pesticide Applicators (1 Hour – category 23 (Forestry) and 27 (Right of Way) and 1 hour private applicators). We hope you can attend this workshop and that the information will be useful and timely.

Our training session will contain information on "The Challenges Faced by Landowner's in Today's Economy". A variety of topics such as forest health updates, cost-share programs, how to sell your timber, timber theft, alternative revenue sources, plus much more will be covered.

Pre-registration is encouraged prior to **October 1, 2013** for Tifton and **October 21, 2013** for Columbus. Space is limited and registration will increase after this date. Lunch and breaks are included with your registration fee and will be provided on site.

If you have questions or for more information, please contact Annie Moncrief – amoncrief@gfc.state.ga.us (478-751-3485) or Renae Woods- rltwoods@uga.edu (229-386-3416).

Sincerely,

Geoff Rockwell & Bert Earley
Staff Foresters, Georgia Forestry Commission

Agenda

Meeting The Challenges For Forest Landowners
October 8, 2013 and October 29, 2013

8:00 a.m. Registration (Pre-registration $40.00 / $60.00 after Oct 1 & 21)

8:55 Welcome and Introductions
Tifton - Geoff Rockwell, Stewardship Forester, Georgia Forestry Commission, Tifton
Columbus - Bert Earley, Water Quality Specialist, Georgia Forestry Commission, Albany

9:00 A New Era for The Georgia Forestry Commission
Robert Farris, Director, Georgia Forestry Commission, Macon

9:20 Timber Sales for Private Landowners
Tifton - Tim Sawyer, Consulting Forester, Timothy G. Sawyer, Inc., Douglas, GA
Columbus - Tim Gahl, Operations Manager, Forest Resource Consultants, Inc., Lumpkin, GA

10:10 Do Forestry Investments Really Pay?
John Sunday, Utilization & Marketing, Georgia Forestry Commission, Thomson

11:00 Morning Break

11:15 Forestry Cost Share Opportunities:
Scott Griffin, Cost Share Coordinator, Georgia Forestry Commission, Gainesville

11:45 Forest Certification Program – The Basics
Dru Preston, Utilization & Marketing, Georgia Forestry Commission, Macon

12:15 Lunch

1:00 - 4:15 Break Out Sessions

Minimizing Loss and Challenges - Session 1

1:00 Forest Health Threats
Tifton - Mark McClure, GFC Forest Health Staff, Albany
Columbus - Lynn Womack, GFC Forest Health Staff, Rome

1:45 Best Management Practices & Timber Harvesting
John Colberg, GFC Water Quality Staff, Macon

2:30 Afternoon Break

2:45 Environmental Obstacles
Tifton - Dan Roach, Rayonier, Fernandina Beach, FL
Environmental Committee, GA Forestry Association
Columbus - Kyla Cheynet, Plum Creek, Athens, GA
Environmental Committee, GA Forestry Association

3:30 Timber Theft
Bill Guthrie, Weyerhaeuser Co., Port Wentworth, GA
Timber Theft Task Force, Georgia Forestry Association

4:15 Continuing Education Credits
Adjourn

Contact Sheets & Continuing Education Credits on Registration Table

Forest Management Options - Session 2

1:00 Why Develop a Management Plan?
Tifton - Reggie Lanier, Forest Stewardship Staff
Georgia Forestry Commission, Metter
Columbus - Geoff Rockwell, Forest Stewardship Staff
Georgia Forestry Commission, Tifton

1:45 Alternative Revenue Options, Pine Straw & Hunting Lease Incomes
Tifton - Dr. David Moorhead, Professor of Silviculture
Warnell School of Forestry & Natural Resources
Columbus - Dr. David Dickens, Professor, Forest Productivity
Warnell School of Forestry & Natural Resources

2:30 Afternoon Break

2:45 Prescribed Burning
Neal Edmondson, Forest Protection Staff
Georgia Forestry Commission, Macon

3:30 High-Volume Feral Hog Control and Eradication
Rod Pinkston, JAGER PRO LLC

4:15 Continuing Education Credits
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Registration

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Seating is limited - pre-registration is encouraged.

Register online for the **Tifton** workshop at https://tcccreg.caes.uga.edu/iebms/reg/reg_p1_form.aspx?ct=REG&EventID=7850&oc=10&coesessionid=fa1fe4fekfckfa0ei1 or mail this form to: UGA Tifton Campus Conference Center, 2360 Rainwater Road, Tifton, GA 31793.

NOTE: You may cancel your registration two weeks or more prior to the event date and receive a full refund minus a $25 processing fee. Your cancellation must be in writing via email, fax or postal mail. Registration is processed through UGA Tifton Campus Conference Center, for assistance please contact us at 229-386-3416.

Register online for the **Columbus** workshop at http://www.regonline.com/gaforestrycommission or mail this form to: Columbus Convention & Visitors Bureau, Attn: Registration, P.O. Box 2768, Columbus, GA 31902.

Registration is processed through Columbus Convention & Visitors Bureau, for assistance please contact us at 706-322-1613.

Tifton Workshop

☐ Pre-Registration received **by October 1, 2013** - $40

☐ Registration received **after October 1, 2013** - $60

Columbus Workshop

☐ Pre-Registration received **by 5pm October 21, 2013** - $40

☐ Registration received **after 5pm October 21, 2013** - $60

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Columbus Workshop - ***Columbus Convention & Visitors Bureau***

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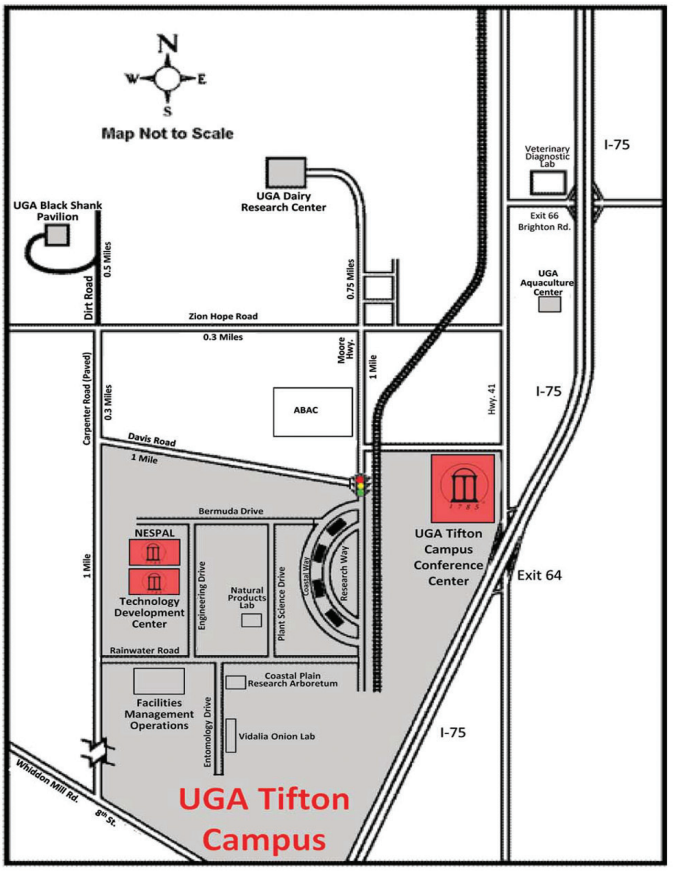
Tifton Map



Also housed in Technology Development Center are UGA Academic Program, Student Center; Dean's Office

UGA Tifton Campus

Columbus Map

From the South: Come in on Hwy 280 (Victory Drive), continue thru Ft. Benning area into Columbus. At the intersection of Hwy 280 (Victory Drive & Hwy 27 N (Veterans Pkwy) (Civic Center will be on your left) turn right onto Veterans Pkwy. Continue until 8th Street. Turn left on 8th Street and continue to Trade Center. Follow signs for Trade Center parking.

From the North: Take I-85 South to Columbus. Take Exit 10 (J. R. Allen Parkway) off of I-185 South. The sign at Exit 10 says: "To Phenix City and Montgomery, AL". Take Exit 1 off of J. R. Allen Parkway; this is the Downtown/2nd Avenue Exit. Stay on 2nd Avenue until you come to 8th Street; turn right onto 8th Street and continue to the Trade Center. Follow signs for Trade Center parking.

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