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Vermont Woodlands Association Announces Forestry School Workshop: Wetlands, Soils, and Water Quality Protection

When forest landowners asked for a series of topic-specific workshops, we listened! Please join Vermont Woodlands for its first full-day, combined classroom and field experience, Forestry School Workshop on Saturday, April 24th from 9:00 am – 3:30 pm at the Vallee Farm in Georgia, VT.

Nancy Patch, Franklin/Grand Isle County Forester will host this event with guest speakers, Kip Potter of USDA and Gary Sabourin of the Department of Forests, Parks & Recreation. The day will begin in Georgia with indoor presentations in the restored schoolhouse on the Vallee Farm, followed by a field visit to vernal pools and wetlands, where characteristics of wetland soils and wetland restoration will be discussed. After lunch, Gary will make a brief presentation and the group will travel to St. Albans for a field tour to view and discuss road layout, stream crossings, AMPs and various erosion control techniques.

The cost for the workshop is \$50 (nonrefundable), pre-registration is required, and lunch will be provided. Please wear comfortable walking shoes. Visit www.vermontwoodlands.org or call 802-747-7900 for registration form.

Mark your calendars now for three additional topic-specific Forestry School workshops to be held during the next several months.

August 28, 2010: Invasive Plants, hosted by Sam Schneski and Bill Guenther, Windham and Windsor County Foresters.

October 2, 2010: Timber, Road, and Trail Construction and Maintenance, hosted by Markus Bradley, Consulting Forester.

For more information on Forestry School and other programs offered by Vermont Woodlands, please visit www.vermonwoodlands.org.

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Editor Note: high resolution photos available upon request.