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WALK IN THE WOODS OFFERED IN ORANGE COUNTY

Orange County Forester, David Paganelli will host an informal walking tour and land management workshop at his family Tree Farm in South Strafford, Vermont from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Saturday October 10th, 2009. Other speakers will include: Paul Harwood, consulting forester with Harwood Forestry Services; Markus Bradley, consulting forester with Redstart Forestry; Dave Wilcox, State Lands Forester with the Vermont Department of Forests, Parks & Recreation; Sara Cavin, Conservation Project Manager with the Upper Valley Land Trust, and Tim Matson, pond consultant with Earth Ponds. Each of these speakers brings special perspective and together, many decades of experience in forestry, land protection and pond design. All interested persons are welcome.

Topics covered will include: Apple tree release and pruning; creation of openings in the forested landscape for wildlife, natural beauty or small scale agriculture; forest road and trail construction and maintenance; invasive plant identification and control; pre-commercial timber stand improvement techniques; and weather permitting, Tim Matson will talk about pond construction and maintenance.

Bring your curiosity and questions. Fall foliage should be at its peak, and while we hope for a beautiful day, the program will take place rain-or-shine. Plan to bring warm clothing, rain gear, comfortable walking shoes, and your own lunch. Long pants are recommended.

For directions and more information on the Walk in the Woods series tours please visit

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