Tree Farm Field Day

2.5 CFE credits

August 3, 2021

313 McCarty Rd., West Berlin, Vermont

Facilitators: Kathy Beland, Alex Barret

Host: David Wilcox, Tree Farmer

Vermont Tree Farm Facilitators are hosting a morning Tree Farm Inspector Training (SAF credits already assigned), followed by a field session on a Vermont Certified Tree Farm. All foresters are invited and encouraged to attend. (Note: To attend the morning training please email Kathy Beland.)

The Tree Farm is owned by David Wilcox, Vermont’s Watershed Forester and a Tree Farm Inspector. He will join our facilitators as a tour guide.

Field session will run from 12:45 to 3:30

Session will include field discussion and review of management activities completed on this Tree Farm and how they are documented in an inspection. These activities are:

* Apple Tree Release
* Mast Tree Release (EQIP)
* Area Wide thinning
* 1-acre patch
* Balsam wooly adelgid
* Hemlock-mixed hardwood management
* ½ acre opening- food plot
* Road improvements
* Wetland harvest area

As part of the program, David Wilcox will also discuss and answer questions about Vermont’s new Acceptable Management Practices and Vermont’s skidder bridge program.

Presenters

Alex Barrett, consulting forester with Long View Forest since 2014, has a Masters degree from the Yale School of Forestry & Environmental Studies. He is licensed in NH and Vermont and lives in Saxtons River, VT.  Alex became a Tree Farm Inspector Facilitator in 2019, and has been a Tree Farm Inspector since 2015.

Kathy Beland has been a consulting forester since 1986 in Rutland, Windsor, and Bennington counties.  She has been a Tree Farm Inspector since 1987 in Vermont, and Tree Farm Inspector Facilitator since 2013. She is a licensed forester in Vermont.

David Wilcox is a licensed forester who works for Vermont Dept. of Forests, Parks and Recreation as the Watershed Forester. He spends his free time on the family tree farm cutting wood, maintaining wildlife habitats, and practicing what he preaches at work.