

Sustainable Forests
Education Cooperative
Member Organizations:

Ainsworth Engineered USA

Association of County Land
Commissioners

Blandin Foundation

Boise Cascade

County Land Departments

Aitkin
Beltrami
Carlton
Cass
Clearwater
Crow Wing
Hubbard
Koochiching
Lake
Pine
St. Louis

Hedstrom Lumber Company

MN Center for
Environmental Advocacy

MN DNR Division of
Forestry

MN DNR Section of
Wildlife

MN Chippewa Tribes

Fond du Lac
Grand Portage
Leech Lake
White Earth

MN Forest Resources
Council

MN Forest Stewardship
Program

The Nature Conservancy,
Minnesota Chapter

Potlatch

Red Lake Tribal DNR

Sappi Fine Paper

Soil and Water Conservation
Districts

Aitkin County
Carlton County
Crow Wing County
Itasca County
Koochiching County
Wadena

St. John's University
Arboretum

University of Minnesota
College of Natural
Resources
Natural Resources
Research Institute
Minnesota Extension
Service

UPM – Blandin Paper Mill

USFS National Forests
Superior
Chippewa

Woodland Advisor Program

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Dear SFEC members,

This is the seventh monthly newsletter for the Sustainable Forests Education Cooperative. We initiated this form of communication with members in September 2005 to establish more regular contact at a time of rapid change for the Cooperative and the College of Natural Resources.

Although newsletters are a simple and efficient way to stay in touch, the communication is primarily in one direction. In addition we have not had a formal all-member needs assessment since October 2001. Therefore, over the next few months I will contact SFEC member representatives either by phone or in person to discuss thoughts, ideas, and needs for continuing education, and anything else that's on your mind.

- ① ***New SFEC member:*** Wadena County Soil and Water Conservation District. Welcome!
- ① ***Field Data Collection & Measurement.*** 27 natural resource managers and foresters attended this workshop at the Cloquet Forestry Center.
- ① ***Vermilion Community College Natural Resource Technician Advisory Committee:*** I attended the spring meeting of the advisory committee (my second meeting since being named to the committee). Lori Schmidt reviewed the MNSCU and SAF program reviews for the NRT program.
- ① ***Quick trip to Oslo, Norway:*** No winter forestry activity that I could see in the Nordmarka, Oslo's city forest. Not surprisingly, there were lots of scotch pine visible from the ski trails closer to sea level, and more spruce up high.

Keep in touch!

Sincerely,

Louise Levy
Coordinator