

**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

MN Center for  
Environmental Advocacy

MN Chippewa Tribes

Fond du Lac  
Grand Portage  
Leech Lake  
White Earth

MN DNR  
Division of Forestry  
Wildlife Mgmt Section

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 County

St. John's University  
Arboretum

University of Minnesota  
College of Food,  
Agricultural and Natural  
Resource Sciences

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,

Conversation starter of the month: Why the sudden and noticeable declines of tree species such as jack pine and paper birch?

How about... synchronous cohort senescence!

- ❖ *SAF Continuing Forestry Education subcommittee*: Louise was asked to be a member of this newly-formed national subcommittee. The subcommittee is charged with: 1) creating a new CFE evaluation process; and 2) updating the national CFE terminology and categories (e.g. category 1 and 2 SAF CEUs).
- ❖ *Forest Management Guidelines training*: Because demand for the May sessions has surpassed early expectations, registration limits have been removed. Future sessions may incorporate the biomass guidelines and revisions to the “basic” guidelines trainings. SFEC and MLEP met with the Forest Resources Council on March 29 to discuss future directions for filling instructor needs. Stay tuned!
- ❖ *6<sup>th</sup> North American Forest Ecology Workshop*: A paper on the Certificate Course in Ecosystem Silviculture was accepted through a competitive process for presentation this June. This is an opportunity to share the work of SFEC and Minnesota’s forest resource managers with an international audience. The theme of the meeting is “understanding the science of sustainable forestry and applying available and appropriate tools to forest management.”

Keep in Touch!

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