



Soils and Forest Management: Upland High-quality Soils Field Day

September 13, 2016 in Melrude, MN

Lunch and refreshments provided. We will meet at the pavilion near the Ellsburg Town Hall, 1767 Melrude Road, Melrude, MN 55766 and carpool from there, as some woods roads will be rough for vehicles with low clearance.

AGENDA

8:50am	Meet at Ellsburg Town Hall pavilion	
9:00am	Welcome, agenda review and context (20 min) Review core concepts from symposium and field days. Hanson on landform that we'll be visiting.	Sagor, Hanson.
9:40am	Morning field site visits Washusks Hardwoods site (80 min) -Discussion: Accessing and using soils data from various sources. Operational constraints, harvest seasonality. -Small group activity: Develop a harvest plan given silvicultural objectives. Columbo site (40 min) -Discussion: What soils and other information tell us about the site. Compare & contrast with Washusks.	Hoff, Blinn, Hanson, Sagor, Walczynski, others. Hoff, Walczynski, Blinn, others.
11:45am	Outdoor lunch at Ellsburg Town Hall pavilion	
12:50pm	Afternoon field site visits Jack Pine Savage site (15 min) -Discussion: How soils information can inform harvest planning by both resource manager and logger. (Story.) Biomass harvest research site (45 min) -Discussion: Research purpose and design. What we know about effects of biomass removal on site productivity. Stop Sign site (30 min) -Discussion: Silvicultural outcomes. Transitional soils.	Hoff, Walczynski, Blinn, others. Slesak, others. Hoff, Walczynski, others.
3:20pm	Closing discussion (20 min) Review major themes from the Soils and Forest Management series, addressing any unanswered questions.	Sagor, other instructors, participants.
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