



Sustainable Forests Education Cooperative

Soils and Forest Management: Wetland Soils Field Day

April 26, 2016 Deer River / Marcell Experimental Forest

Lunch and refreshments provided. We will meet at the first field site, on the Cutfoot Experimental Forest, about 45 minutes northwest of Deer River. Directions will be provided to registrants.

Participants will drive their own vehicles throughout the day. We encourage carpooling to reduce congestion on woods roads and to allow discussion between sites.

WORKING AGENDA

8:45am	Meet at Black Ash Site (Cutfoot Experimental Forest)	
8:50am	<i>Welcome, agenda review and context</i>	Sagor
9:00am	Site 1: Mineral soils in WFn53 site Black ash silviculture study site. We will discuss the native plant community, soil type and properties, impacts of a range of harvest treatments on soil hydrology, sources of practical soils information, and management considerations.	Slesak, Hanson, Palik, Kolka, Sagor, others.
10:00-10:15am	Drive to Seasonal Ponds site	
10:15-11:00am	Chippewa NF Seasonal Ponds site We will discuss identification and management of seasonal ponds, including the challenge of identifying them on soils maps and some indicators and field identification techniques. We'll also discuss practical considerations associated with management on sites containing seasonal ponds.	Palik, Kolka, Slesak, Gries, others.
11:00-12:00pm	Drive to the Marcell Experimental Forest	
12:00pm	Lunch and an overview of Marcell research sites at the Marcell Experimental Forest (provided)	Kolka
1:00pm	Marcell Experimental Forest organic soil research and black spruce management We'll tour a variety of organic soils sites on the Marcell Experimental Forest. Topics include black spruce management using strip clearcuts, upland forest conversion, carbon cycling and mercury in peatlands, and related topics.	Kolka, Hanson, Gries, others.
3:30pm	Adjourn	