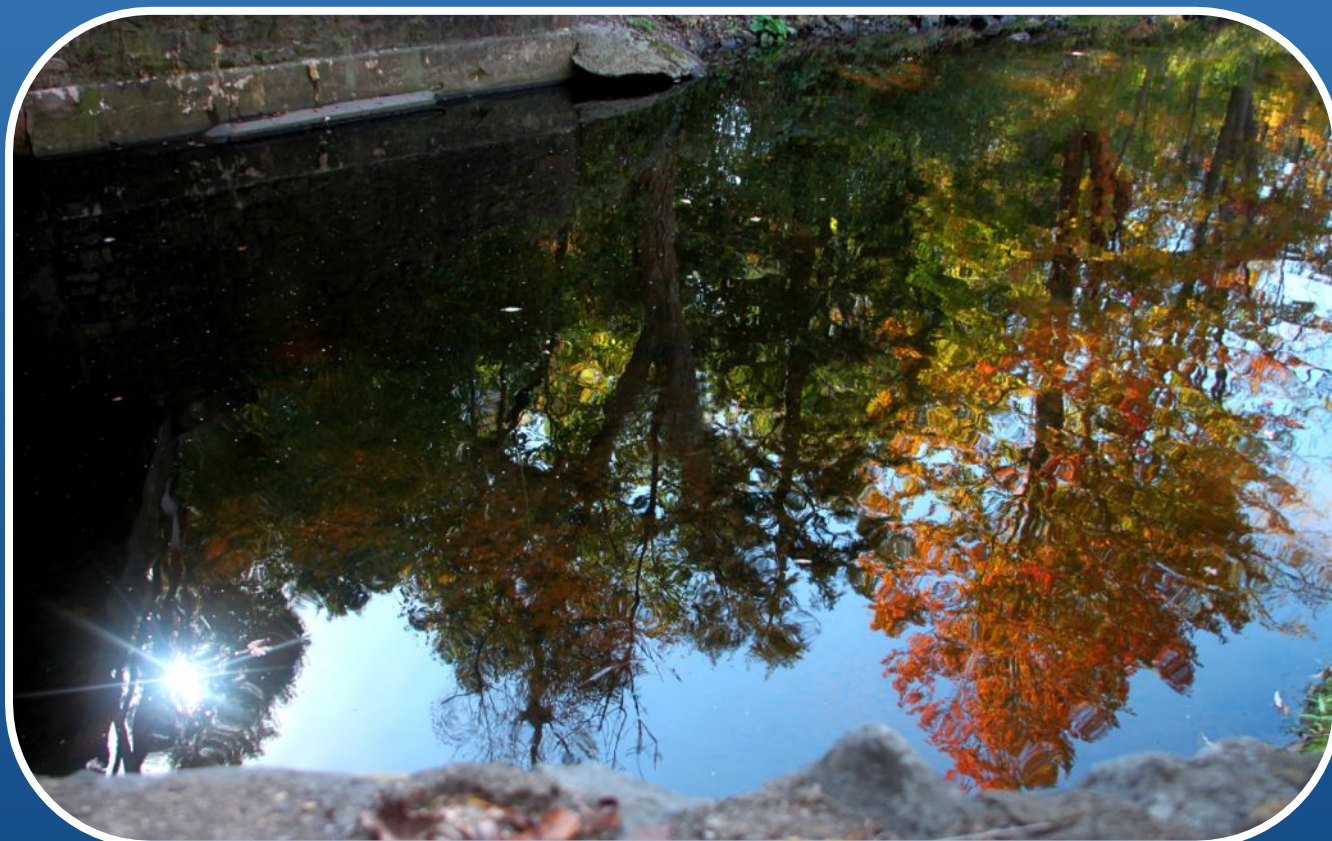


JANUARY 27 – 29, 2015

Multi-State Conference of the Society of American Foresters

Reflections on Water



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Location and Accommodation

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The Hilton Garden Inn- Texarkana is offering a block of rooms at the special discounted rate of \$83.00. You will need to make your own hotel reservation soon using one of these options.

- Call Hilton Reservations – 1-800-774-1500
- Call the hotel directly – 903-792-1065
- Book On Line at <http://tinyurl.com/SAF4state> and use the group code - **SAF**

Speakers



Jon Barry

Assistant Professor - Forestry, Extension
Arkansas, Forest Resources Center



Michael Blazier

Associate Professor and Extension Specialist,
LSU AgCenter, School of Renewable Natural Resources



Corey Davis

Applied Climatologist, State Climate Office of North Carolina,
NC State University



Edward Fite

Administrator, Oklahoma Scenic Rivers
Commission



Roel Lopez

Interim Director, Texas Water Resources Institute, Texas A&M
System



Matthew Menashes

Chief Executive Officer, Society of American Foresters



Gretchen Riley

Partnership Coordinator, Texas A&M Forest Service



Walt Sears

Executive Director, Northeast Texas Municipal
Water District



Edward Swaim

Water Resources Division Manager, Arkansas Natural Resources
Commission



Shaun Tanger

Assistant Professor and Extension Economist
LSU AgCenter, Ag Economics and Agribusiness

Continuing Education Credit

SAF CFEs for the General Sessions =

Jan 28 = 6.5 cat 1 - CF

Jan 29 = 2.0 cat 1 - CF

You may also earn CEUS for the following:

Tour – Rainfall Exclusion = 3 units cat 1 - CF

Tour – Southwest Research Center = 3 cat 1 - CF

Tour – Red River Army Depot = 3 cat 1 - CF

Training – GPS/GIS and Inventory = 3.5 cat 1 - CF

Training – Tree Risk Assessment = 3 cat 1 - CF

Detach and return bottom portion to register! Please carefully complete this entire form: Incomplete forms may be discarded!

Tour Information

Tours and Trainings are limited to the first 30 or 40 registrants. For this reason, make sure to rank your top three tour choices below. *More information about each tour on the back page. Note: The Historic Washington State Park tour is an additional \$25 fee.*

Register by January 7, 2015.

2015 Multi-State SAF Conference: Reflections on Water

Name _____

Company or Organization _____

Address _____

City, State and Zip _____

Phone _____

Email _____

☐ I will attend the 2015 Tree Farm Inspector Standards training

Item	Description	Quantity	Price	Subtotal
#1	Registration		\$150.00	
#2	Spouse		\$75.00	
#3	Student		\$35.00	
#4	t-shirt (S M L XL XXL)		\$20.00	
#5	Historic State Park		\$25.00	
#6	I would like to sponsor a student (enter \$ amount)			
			Total:	

Rank your top 3 if attending a tour/training.

_____ Rainfall Exclusion	_____ Army Depot
_____ Washington Park	_____ Tree Risk Assessment
_____ Research Center	_____ GPS/GIS

Make checks payable to: **Louisiana SAF**

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Agenda: 2015 Multi-State SAF Conference

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Time	Title	Speaker	Room/Location
Tuesday, January 27 - Tours / Training			
1:00-5:00	PINEMAP Rainfall Exclusion & Fertilization Study	Rodney Will	Kiamichi Station
11:00-5:00	Historic Washington State Park (Pre-registration required)	Patricia Thomas	Williams Restaurant
1:00-5:00	The Southwest Research and Extension Center	Victor Ford	Extension Center
12:30-5:00	Red River Army Depot	Cliff Sunda	Army Depot,
1:00-5:00	Tree Risk Assessment	Courtney Blevins	Hotel Meeting Rm 2
1:00-5:00	Training - GPS, GIS, and Inventory Solutions in Forestry	Johnny Thompson	Ballroom D
6:00-9:00	Evening Reception and Opening Social		Pre-function Area
Wednesday January 28, 2015			
8:00	Role of Forestry in Management of Scenic Rivers	Edward Fite	Ballroom D
8:45	Arkansas State Water Plan	Edward Swaim	Ballroom D
9:45	Assuring Water Supplies for Both Rural and Urban Areas	Walt Sears	Ballroom D
10:45	Preparing for the Emerald Ash Borer	Gretchen Riley / Jon Barry	Ballroom D
12:45	Association Business Meeting / State Council Updates		Ballroom F, H, or G
2:45	A Discussion on Water: What Is the Forest's Role	Roel Lopez	Ballroom D
3:45	NEW Climate Driven DSS for Southern Forest Management	Corey Davis	Ballroom D
6:00	Evening Social		Pre-function Area
7:00	Awards Dinner and SAF Update	Matthew Menashes	Ballroom B
Thursday, January 29, 2015			
7:30	Breakfast breakout by university / state		
9:00	Silviculture for Forest Resiliency	Michael Blazier	Ballroom D
10:00	Economics of Adaptive Silviculture	Shaun Tanger	Ballroom D
11:30 – 3:30	2015 Tree Farm Inspector Standards (Lunch Included)	Susan Stutts	Hotel Meeting Rm 2

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1:00 – 5:00 **Tour - PINEMAP Rainfall Exclusion & Fertilization Study** (Host: Rodney Will)

The tour will leave from the Kiamichi Forest Research Station in Idabel - Tour limited to 30 participants.

We will tour a stand-level research project that was installed to determine the effects of a drier climate and nutrient availability on loblolly pine stand growth and biology. The mechanisms of stand growth and their relation to potential climate change will be discussed. State-of-the-art techniques for the measurement of tree physiology will be demonstrated. This research is part of the region-wide PINEMAP research effort.

11:00 – 5:00 **Tour – Historic Washington State Park** (Host: Patricia Thomas)

The cost of this tour is \$25. Pre-registration required to attend. Limited to first 40 participants.

Travel to the 19th Century in Historic Washington, Arkansas, a premier historic village established on George Washington's birthday in 1824. Visit more than 30 fully restored historic structures featuring hand-hewn timber framing and examples of Southern Greek Revival and Federal architecture. Tour the buildings and homes, see a remarkable collection of antiques, guns, knives and visit with guides dressed in period attire for an unforgettable experience. Fee includes lunch at Williams Tavern Restaurant.

1:00 – 5:00 **Tour - The Southwest Research and Extension Center** (Host: Victor Ford)

Meet at the Southwest Research and Extension Center located in Hope, Arkansas, (870) 777-9702, 362 Highway 174 North, Hope, AR 71801. Directions at <http://swrec.uark.edu>

The Southwest Research and Extension Center has a long history of forest research and focuses on the needs of southern Arkansas especially to small landowners and small farms. This tour will highlight oak species comparisons, SMZ management, pine genetics testing, wildlife food plots, native savanna restoration, hybrid poplar on uplands, and uneven-aged management.

12:30 – 4:30 **Tour – Red River Army Depot** (Host: Cliff Sunda)

Meet in a vacant parking lot at building 110 at the Red River Army Depot, Hooks, TX next to the TexAmericas Center offices. Limited to first 40 registrants. (Optional BBQ sandwich plate = \$10.00)

Each participant must provide name, date of birth, and either driver's license number or SS# for entry onto the depot. The natural resource manager and forester will then talk about the forestry program and how it supports the mission of the facility, the forest management strategies, and discuss how Army forestry works. Participants will then board busses and visit four sites in the field and have discussions at each.

1:00 – 5:00 **Training - GPS, GIS, and Inventory Solutions in Forestry** (Host: Johnny Thompson)

Meet in room "Ballroom D" of the Hilton Garden Inn. Limit to first 30 registrants.

Johnny Thompson, Managing Partner, is the Managing Partner of LandMark Spatial Solutions, LLC, a technology-based company that provides GPS, GIS, and Forest Inventory Solutions to almost 1000 forestry, wildlife, and environmental companies and agencies throughout the Southeastern US.
<https://www.landmarkspatialolutions.com>

1:00 – 4:00 **Training – Tree Risk Assessment** - (Host: Courtney Blevins)

Meet in Hotel Meeting Room 2 of the Hilton Garden Inn. Limit to first 30 registrants.

During a tree's life span there will always be some level of risk associated with a tree. This discussion will explore the different levels of risk and how to assess risk factors to help you determine management recommendations for tree risk assessment. After covering the basics in the classroom we will go outside to observe and discuss actual tree risk issues

Post Conference Training Opportunity (January 29, 2015)

11:30 – 3:30 **Training – Tree Farm Inspector Training: New Standards** - (Host: Susan Stutts and Mike Burns)

Meet in Hotel Meeting Room 2 of the Hilton Garden Inn. Limit to first 30 registrants.

The workshop will cover the new 2015-2020 Standards of Sustainability for the American Tree Farm System. This is a requirement for all foresters who wish to maintain their certification as Tree Farm Inspectors. For more information contact Susan Stutts at Texas Forestry Association (936/632-8322) or your state Tree Farm administrator. Lunch will be provided. Registration is required...simply mark the box on the registration form.