

6th Biennial Shortleaf Pine Conference

Reviving the Past, Shaping the Future

November 11–13, 2025 | Lake Guntersville State Park, Alabama



AGENDA

Tuesday, November 11 (day one sessions)

7:00 am	Breakfast (<i>provided</i>) & Registration
8:15 am	Welcome – Mike Oliver
8:30 am	Opening Plenary – Dwayne Estes
9:00 am	Ground Flora Panel (Theo Witsell, John Seymour, Kyle Lybarger, Pat Keyser, Nathan Klaus)
9:45 am	BREAK
9:55 am	White Oak and Shortleaf Pine – Chris Erwin
10:25 am	Longleaf and Shortleaf Pine – Carol Denhof
10:55 am	Cross-Initiatives Panel (Carol Denhof, Clarence Coffey, Austin Klais, Davis Goode, John Kabrick, Chris Erwin)
11:30 am	Lunch (<i>provided</i>)
12:15 pm	Afternoon Kickoff & Conference Notes
12:30 pm	Ecology and Management of Shortleaf Pine Book Session (Ben Knapp, David Clabo, Becky Barlow, Steve Jack, Justin Hart, Jacob Fraser)
2:25 pm	BREAK
2:35 pm	Timber & Financial Markets – Alexander Avery
3:10 pm	Growth and Yield Models – Curtis VanderSchaaf
3:30 pm	Local Implementation Teams: Discussion & Breakouts
4:45 pm	Field Tour Preview – Bill Finch & Matthew Capps
5:00 pm	Free Time, Networking, & Live Music
6:00 pm	Awards Banquet & Dinner

Wednesday, November 12 (full day field tour)

7:00 am	Breakfast (<i>provided</i>)
8:00 am	The Next Generation of Pines: Touring the Lake Guntersville Seed Orchard (Bill Finch, Kelly Peterson)
11:00 am	Private Land Management in Woodville, AL or Shortleaf in the Canyon: Exploring Little River (NPS) Field Tours include presentations from Joe Marschall, Lindsay Thomas, Jr., Shaik Hossain, Mike Chamberlain, Jake Bones, Kyle Lybarger, and more!
4:00 pm	Arrive back at Guntersville Lodge
4:30 pm	Refreshments and Poster Session
6:00 pm	Dinner (<i>provided</i>)

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Thursday, November 13 (final day sessions)

7:00 am	Breakfast (<i>provided</i>)
8:00 am	Morning Welcome – Mike Oliver
8:15 am	From Shortleaf to Strut with the Wild Turkey Doc - Mike Chamberlain
8:45 am	Grow Fire-Tolerant Pines, Restore Fire, Feed Deer – Lindsay Thomas, Jr.
9:15 am	Wildlife & Game Bird Panel (Mike Chamberlain, Lindsay Thomas Jr., John Mark Curtis, Wally Akins)
10:00 am	BREAK
10:10 am	Is your site prep helping or hurting your restoration? Evaluating site prep herbicides– Nathan Klaus
10:30 am	Replacing Loblolly with Shortleaf – Martin Shubert
10:50 am	Tools for Shortleaf Fire Stewardship – David Godwin
11:10 am	Fire Panel (Adam Warwick, Ryan Mitchell, Clint Harris, McRee Anderson)
11:50 am	Lunch (<i>provided</i>)
12:40 pm	Non-Game Wildlife Panel (Sean Barry, Kyle Brazil, Jef Hodges, Eric Soehren, Bill Finch)
1:20 pm	Shortleaf Pine Plant Communities in the Coastal Plain– Kevin Robertson
1:45 pm	Practical Lessons in Ground Cover Restoration – John Seymour
2:15 pm	BREAK
2:25 pm	The Fate of Shortleaf Pine Forests in the Missouri Ozarks - Historical Accounts from 1907 from a 21 st century perspective. – Jim Guldin
2:55 pm	Closing Plenary: Shaping the Future – Britt Townsend
3:30 pm	Conference Concludes

For more information & to register, please go to shortleafpine.org