**Shortleaf Pine ‘101’**

***A Workshop for Natural Resource Professionals***

***& Forest Landowners***

**Location: James Garner Center, 210 Burnette Street, Troy, NC**

**Agenda**

May 12, 2015

**8:30 - 9:00 Registration & Coffee**

**9:00 - 9:10 Welcome**

Brooke Massa, NC Wildlife Resources Commission

**9:10 - 9:40 Why Shortleaf?**

Mike Black, Shortleaf Pine Initiative

**9:40 - 10:30 Shortleaf Pine Ecosystem**

Rob Evans, NC Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, Plant Conservation Program

10:30 - 10:50 Break

**10:50 - 11:30 Artificial Regeneration of Shortleaf Pine**

David Schnake, NC Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, Research Stations Division

11:30 - 1:00 Catered lunch will be provided

**1:00 - 1:45 Ecological Restoration & Managing Shortleaf Pine for Wildlife**

Chris Moorman, NC State University

**1:45 – 2:30 Economics of Shortleaf Pine**

Bill Pickens, NC Forest Service

2:30 - 2:45 Break

**2:45 - 3:05 Cost-share Opportunities for Shortleaf Pine**

John Isenhour, NC Wildlife Resources Commission

**3:05 - 3:30 Shortleaf Pine Initiative & Website**

Mike Black, Shortleaf Pine Initiative

Holly Campbell, University of Georgia

**3:30 - 4:45 Panel Discussion: Challenges and Opportunities**

John Blanton, US Forest Service

David Halley, True North Forest Management Services

Mark Megalos, NC State University Cooperative Extension

**4:45 – 5:00 Closing Remarks & Adjourn**

May 13, 2015

**9:00 – 12:00 Field Trip:** We will visit nearby sites that have different management objectives and strategies for shortleaf pine, including forests managed for timber production and those managed for ecological objectives.

 **Speakers:** Bill Pickens, NC Forest Service; Mark Carter, US Forest Service; Mark Bost, NC Forest Service; Rob Evans, NC Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, Plant Conservation Program