



Department of Conservation and Recreation
Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Bureau of Forestry Pre-Harvest Forest Tours August 15 - 17, 2016

DCR Foresters will be leading tours of prepared timber sale areas, discussing forest management techniques, providing a view of the trees designated for harvest, and explaining how harvest operations will take place. A detailed silviculture prescription for each harvesting operation will be provided to attendees. These tours culminate a public process that included public meetings and a written comment period on each project.

The tours will be conducted rain or shine as indicated below. Attendees are encouraged to dress for the weather and to wear sturdy shoes. For additional information about the tours and DCR forest management on State Forests, Parks, and Reservations, please contact William Hill, Management Forestry Program Supervisor, at 413-545-3891.

August 15, 2016 4:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. Erving State Forest, Erving

DCR Forester Keith DiNardo will lead a tour of the 225 acre planned timber sale in red pine, white pine and Norway spruce plantations and native oak pine forest type. Meet at the Erving State Forest Headquarters on Rt. 2A in Erving. To access Erving State Forest Headquarters take Rt. 2 west or east to exit 13 onto Rt. 2A east. (No “Exit 13” sign), Drive 0.1 miles on Rt. 2A east. Headquarters building is on your left.

August 16, 2016 4:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. Pittsfield State Forest, Pittsfield

DCR Forester Kevin Podkowka will lead a tour of the 97 acre planned timber sale in a northern hardwood forest. Meet at the parking area in front of the gate, 1 mile south of Rt. 43 on Potter Mountain Road. Potter Mountain Road is accessed by taking Rt. 20 west past Hancock Shaker Village to Lebanon Springs, NY. From Rt. 20 in Lebanon Springs turn right and take Rt. 22 north to Stephentown, NY. From Rt. 22 in Stephentown turn right and take Rt.43 east for approximately 2.8 miles and Potter Mountain Road will be on the right. Follow Potter Mountain Road for approximately 1 mile south and the parking area will be on the left.

August 17, 2016 3:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. Sandisfield State Forest, Sandisfield (Note early start)

DCR Forester Jeff Martin will lead a tour of the 75 acre planned timber sale in a northern red oak forest type. Meet at the York Lake Day Use Area, from where tour attendees will carpool to the site. The Day Use Area is .3 miles east from the intersection of Route 183/New Marlborough-Sandisfield Road and East Hill Road in New Marlborough. Note that the tour of the timber sale will require an approximate 20 minute walk (non strenuous) to reach the project area.

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