



Department of Conservation and Recreation
Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Bureau of Forestry Pre-Harvest Forest Tours June 12th, 2018

DCR Forester Kristopher Massini will lead two 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 the concepts of 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.

4:00 p.m. – 4:45 p.m. October Mountain State Forest, County Road, Washington

DCR Forester Kristopher Massini will lead a tour of the 73 acre planned timber sale along road frontage of northern hardwood and spruce/fir forest types. Meet at the ATV parking area at the intersection of County Road and Finerty Pond Road; 3.6 mile west of Rt. 8 (Main St) on County Road. Participants will then walk the 2 miles of timber sale along County Road as a group. County Road is 5 miles north from the intersection of Rt. 20 and Rt. 8 in the Town of Becket and is 1.9 miles south from the intersection of Rt. 8 and the Washington/Becket town line.

5:00 - 6:30 p.m. October Mountain State Forest, Watson Road, Washington

DCR Forester Kristopher Massini will lead a tour of the 107 acre planned timber sale in a northern hardwood forest. Participants will also have the opportunity to view a similar prior harvest conducted in 2015. Meet at the junction of Stanley Road and Watson Road in Washington. Access this location from the intersection of MA Rt. 8 and McNerney Road; drive 3.0 miles north on McNerney Road continuing to Washington Mountain Road, turn left on Watson Road, and drive 1.0 miles.

These tours will be sequential. Those attending the first tour and interested in attending the second may travel from the first site to the second following DCR personnel.

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