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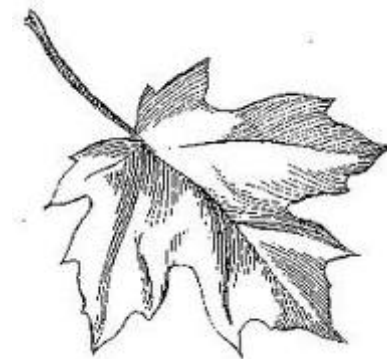
The Consortium is a collaboration between landowners, foresters, loggers and other natural resource professionals. The Consortium facilitates the exchange of ideas and experiences to encourage people to care about our forests.

The mission of the BCSFC is to promote responsible use and exemplary stewardship of the woodlands of Bennington County, and in so doing, to sustain the healthy ecosystems and rural livelihoods those forests support.

Contact Shelly Stiles at 802 442-2275 or bccd@sover.net for more information on the Bennington County Sustainable Forest Consortium or on how to get involved.



Bennington County Sustainable Forest Consortium
C/o Bennington County Conservation District
PO Box 505
Bennington, VT 05201



**ALL THINGS
SUGAR MAPLE
A WORKSHOP ON HOW TO
REGENERATE AND GROW
THE SIGNATURE PLANT
OF VERMONT**

Tuesday January 18, 2011

5 pm-7 pm

Hildene

1005 Hildene Rd.

Manchester VT 05254

\$10 PER PERSON

**PRE-REGISTRATION
REQUESTED**

**ATTENDEES ELIGIBLE FOR 4
LEAP CREDITS OR 1.5
CATEGORY 1 CF CREDITS**

Bill Leak will share his research results and experience on sugar maple regeneration. He will comment on the primary factors (site and silvicultural) that lead to success or failures; changes in regeneration responses he has documented with his research; and regional differences in regeneration. He may also share other information for managers to consider if they are attempting to regenerate sugar maple.

Barb Burns will share information on how healthy our maples are this year, and how can you assess the health of your trees. She will update us on recent impacts on maple health (such as defoliation by frost and the lingering effects of forest tent caterpillar), threats for the future (Asian longhorned beetles, for one) and less newsworthy, but sometimes notable, pests and other stressors you may encounter.

Dave Mance will address what makes a good sap tree versus a good sawlog tree, why maples are better than oaks to tap, what makes a good sugar bush (slope, exposure, soils) and why you can often have it both ways. He will also touch on his understanding of the Use Value Appraisal Program and sugaring.

For more information about registering for the workshop, contact Shelly Stiles at the Bennington County Conservation District, 802 442-2275 or bccd@sover.net.

PRESENTERS

Bill Leak is a Research Forester with the U.S. Forest Service Northern Research Station in Durham, NH. He has conducted research on northern hardwoods for over 50 years.

Barbara Burns is the Forest Health Program Manager for the Vermont Department of Forests Parks and Recreation.

David Mance Jr. is a woodland owner, sugar maker, and private consulting forester in Vermont and New York. His family manages their 40-acre sugar bush for a mix of sawlogs and sap as part of their larger tree farm operation.

PLEASE PRE-REGISTER BY JANUARY 14

Registration is \$10 per person

Please send your registration form with a check for the appropriate amount to

BCCD
PO Box 505
Bennington, VT 05201

Name _____

Address _____

Town _____

State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

E-mail _____

Number of participants _____

Amount enclosed _____

WORKSHOP AGENDA

5 pm-7 pm

5 p Welcome and Introductions

5:10p Sugar Maple Regeneration
Bill Leak

6p Sugar Maple Health
Barbara Burns

6:45p Maple Sugaring and Sawlog
Production—Are They
Mutually Exclusive?
David Mance Jr.

7 p Adjourn

Directions

Hildene, the Lincoln Family Home, is located off Route 7A in Manchester Village. From the north, from the intersections of Rts. 30, 11, and 7A in Manchester Center, go south on Rt. 7A 1.9 miles to the entrance to Hildene on the left. From the south, at the Stewart's in Arlington, go north 7.4 miles on Rt. 7A to the entrance to Hildene on the right. Park at the Hildene Visitor's Center.

(Light refreshments will be provided.)