

NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING

To host an AGvocate Regional Meeting

Sponsored by the Canterbury Agriculture Commission

Managing Your Woodlands for Wildlife and Profit

Thursday, October 23, 2014

Canterbury Municipal Center

7 to 9 pm

Local forestry experts will conduct a program for landowners and farmers interested in maximizing woodland benefits.

7:00 pm Welcome and Introductions

- Dawn Pindell and John Baldwin

7:05 pm Forest Stewardship and Best Management Practices

Steve Broderick, Eastern CT Forest Landowners Association (ECFLA)

- Benefits of good forest management
- Wildlife habitat and environmental preservation
- Selecting a timber harvester

7:25 pm Financial Incentives for Forest Management

Mark Edmonds, Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS)

- Creating a woodlands management plan
- Availability of resources and assistance

7:50 pm Business Aspects of Timber Management

Pete Merrill, Forestry Consultant

- Contractual considerations of timber sales (grading timber, various pricing methods, liability and insurance issues, restoration of land following logging and skidding operations, methods of payment.

8:10 pm Question & Answer Session

8:20 pm Brief 10 minute intermission

8:30 Regional Agriculture Commissions

- Progress reports, news and announcements.

9:00 pm Adjourn