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Join us on Waldron for a free workshop on timber harvests and biochar.

With the first commercial timber harvest on Waldron in many years planned for this summer, many forest owners still have questions about how the timber sale process works, and how to thin their forest to meet their long-term objectives. This workshop will walk participants through all of the steps involved with managing a timber sale, plus discuss options for timber thinning to meet multiple objectives. The workshop will conclude with a walk through a forest that has been marked for thinning where we will discuss tree selection criteria.

Topics will include: logging contracts, tree selection criteria, minimizing impacts to soils and residual trees, logging costs, scaling logs, abating slash, producing biochar from logging waste, post-logging restoration, timber taxes, and more.

When:

Friday, April 26, 2019 5:00pm-8:00pm

Where:

Jim Lovering's Place Waldron Island

Space is limited — register here for free!

Free Site Visits

Workshop participants will qualify for a free two-hour site visit with a forester on either Saturday, April 27th or Sunday, April 28th. During the site visit, the forester will help landowners refine their logging plans and answer site-specific questions. To register for a free site visit, please email kirk@nnrg.org.

Biochar Demonstration

Kai will host a demonstration of a Conservation Biochar Burn at 10am on Saturday, April 27th at his place (the driveway is across from Fred Richardson's free pile). A conservation burn is an open fire burn specifically designed for in forest production and reapplication in the forest. The burn will utilize the water trailer in collaboration with the Waldron Fire Brigade to extinguish the fire, and the demo will also work as an educational resource on using the water trailers for anyone needing a refresher. The demonstration will outline the potential economic and carbon capturing capabilities that exist with biochar reapplication back into forest soils.

Speakers

Kirk Hanson

Northwest Natural Resource Group

Kai Hoffman-Krull

Restore Char

Andy Chittick

Northwest Natural Resource Group

Carson Sprenger

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Register for the workshop

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