Extreme Weather Events and Risk Management Options for Family Forests

A short course for homeowners, landowners, foresters, loggers, and policy makers.

DESCRIPTION
Woodland management is a long-term investment and entails several types of risk, including extreme weather. Becoming aware of risks can help landowners manage to reduce their risk and respond appropriately if extreme weather events affect their land. Lessons learned from Hurricane Katrina and elsewhere can help protect your investment.

Where:
MSU Research & Extension Center, 1815 Popps Ferry Road, Biloxi, MS.

When:
Friday, Sept. 18, 2015
Registration: 8:00
Program: 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Cost:
Cost is $20 for individuals, $30 per couple (non-refundable). This fee covers materials, refreshments, and lunch. Space is limited. Registration is required by Sept. 16. Make check payable to the Harrison/Hancock Forestry and Wildlife Association.

Individuals who require special meals or other accommodations to participate should contact the Harrison County Extension Office to make their request prior to the program. Contact should be timely to ensure appropriate action.

Course Agenda
8:00 Registration
8:30 Introduction to Forest Risk Management
9:15 Managing Cogongrass and Other Invasive Species
10:00 Break
10:15 Even- and Uneven-Aged Management
11:00 Timber Salvage: Manage or Regenerate
11:45 Lunch
12:15 Harrison/Hancock County Forestry and Wildlife Association
12:30 Thinning for Forest Health
1:15 Timber Casualty Loss
2:00 Break
2:15 Lessons Learned from Hurricane Katrina: A Landowner’s Perspective
3:00 Preparing for the Future: Weather and Climate Trends in Mississippi
3:45 Summary & Evaluation
4:00 Adjourn

Registration and Information:
Contact Tim Ray, Harrison County Agent, MSU Extension Service, P.O. Drawer Z, Gulfport, MS 39502. Phone: 601-865-4227. Email: tim.ray@msstate.edu.
Timberland is a valuable asset for individuals and families. Learn how to protect this important asset at the upcoming program on **Extreme Weather Events and Risk Management Options for Family Forests**.

**Extension Service Web Page:**
http://www.msucares.com

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- Harrison/Hancock County Forestry and Wildlife Association
- Mississippi State University Extension Service
- Mississippi Sustainable Forestry Initiative, State Implementation Committee.
- Mississippi Forestry Association

**Directions to MSU Research & Extension Center, Biloxi, MS**
- From I-10, take Cedar Lake Road (Exit 44) south 0.4 mile to Popps Ferry Road and turn right.
- Go 0.5 mile and turn left at Service Entrance (gravel) to MSU R&E Center.
- Go 0.1 mile, turn right to parking lot.

**Speakers Include**
- Foresters from the MSU Extension Service and Department of Forestry
- Local landowner who dealt with catastrophic damage from Hurricane Katrina

**Continuing Education Requirements**
- Continuing Forestry Education (CFE) credits for foresters;
- Professional Logging Manager (PLM) continuing education requirements for loggers.

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