

## Are My Pine Trees Ready to Thin?

A workshop for private non-industrial forest landowners, loggers, and foresters. This class provides a field experience to determine when a pine stand is ready for a thinning. You will learn "hands-on" how to measure trees and make calculations to evaluate the stand.

### Where

Benton County Agri-Center  
17136 Hwy 5  
Ashland, Mississippi

We will meet at the Benton County AgriCenter. **Please wear appropriate field clothes, boots, and insect repellent!**

### When

Thursday **September 25, 2014**  
Registration begins at 8:30 AM, and the program ends at 2:00 PM.

### Cost

Registration is **\$23 per person, non-refundable**. The fee covers advertising, handouts, lunch and refreshments. The registration deadline is **Sept 18<sup>th</sup>**. Make your check payable to the **Benton County Forestry Association**.

### For More Information

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Individuals who require special accommodations to participate should contact the Benton County Extension Office (662-224-6330) to make their request prior to the program. Contact should be timely to ensure appropriate accommodation.

## Agenda

8:30 – 8:45 am: **Registration**

8:45 – 9:45 am: **Pine Thinning:** Forest Health, Timber Quality, and Wildlife Habitat, Dr. John Kushla

9:45 AM – Noon: **Field Exercise:** Sample plots & tree measurements

Noon – 12:30 pm: **Lunch**  
12:30 – 12:45 pm: **Benton CFA**

12:45 – 1:30 pm: **Evaluating Data:** Making calculations for the thinning decision.

1:30 – 2:00 pm: **Questions & Evaluation**

2:00 pm: **Adjourn**



Southern Pine Bark Beetle Attack

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Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Total # attending (Registration is **\$23 per person**, due by Sept. 18  
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Mail to:

Mr. Michael Pruitt, Extension Agent  
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Ashland, MS 38603-0158

Would you like to know more about . . .

... when to thin your pines trees?

... how to thin your pines?



... which trees should be removed?

... how to prevent bark beetle attack?

... how to enhance wildlife habitat?



Then attend our “Are my pines ready to thin?” workshop.

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**5.0 CLE credits, Category 1** offered to **professional loggers** for this course.

**4.0 CFE credits Category B** offered to **registered foresters** for this course.

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