

## WOODLAND OWNER WORKSHOP SERIES

### 2020 PROGRAM AGENDA

#### Week One and Two Sessions are Co-Sponsored by the West Greenwich Land Trust

WEEK ONE: February 1, 2020 1 – 4 pm West Greenwich Community Center

Session 1: “Getting Started” Guest Speaker: Fern Graves, Stewardship Forester  
RI DEM, Div. of Forest Environment

- Management planning: your goals & objectives;
- Forest Certification, Tree Farm Program, Forestry Plans, & Cost-share Programs

Session 2: “What’s Under It: Soils and Mapping” Guest Speaker: Jim Turenne, RI NRCS

- Soils and How they influence Your Woodlot
- Digital Mapping Programs (Web Soil Survey, Google Earth, ArcMap)

WEEK TWO: February 8, 2020 1 – 4 pm West Greenwich Community Center

Session 3: “What Attacks It” Guest Speakers: Paul Ricard, RI DFE Forest Health  
Program, and Cynthia Kwolek, RI Div. of Agriculture

Forest Health Impacts from Insects – Winter Moth, Gypsy Moth, Southern Pine Beetle, Emerald  
Ash Borer, and other new and recurring enemies of our rural and urban forests

Session 4: Invasive Plants Guest Speaker: Kate Venturini, Outreach Program Mgr.  
& Invasive Plant Certification Program Manager, URI  
Managing Terrestrial Invasive Plants to Minimize their Impact: ID and Control Methods

#### Week Three and Four Sessions are Co-Sponsored by the Scituate Conservation Commission

WEEK THREE: February 22, 2020 9 am - noon No. Scituate Community House

Session 5: Oak Resiliency - Guest Speakers: Christopher Riely, Sweet Birch Consulting,  
and Fern Graves, Stewardship Forester, RI DEM, DFE

Session 6: Deer Impacts on Hardwood Forests & Deer Fencing Options  
Guest Speaker: Chris Modisette, USDA-NRCS

WEEK FOUR: February 29, 2020 9 am – noon No. Scituate Community House

Session 7: “Economic Impact of RI’s Woodland Industries” by Dr. Tom Sproul  
A review of how economic values can enhance forest conservation

Session 8: “Rhody Wood – How can we increase the demand for local wood products?”  
Speakers TBD