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August 26 - 28 Sandestin Golf & Beach Resort Miramar Beach, FL

## **ANNUAL MEETING & TRADE SHOW**

Gather with colleagues and industry peers at the stunning Sandestin Golf & Beach Resort in Miramar Beach for three days filled with engaging sessions and networking opportunities. Discover the latest trends and insights on key issues while reconnecting with old friends and forging new connections.

The state's premier forestry trade show runs alongside the Annual Meeting, showcasing innovative equipment and services from top industry providers. Be sure to visit each exhibitor to explore the newest advancements shaping today's forestry landscape.

Participants will enjoy a range of educational workshops and presentations, plus the chance to connect with fellow forestry professionals from across the state. This event is the perfect setting to share knowledge, discuss challenges, and build lasting professional relationships with industry experts, policymakers, and organizational leaders

Beyond the professional development, the Annual Meeting offers plenty of fun! Join us for exciting social events, including a golf tournament, a women's networking brunch, an engaging silent auction, and our highly anticipated live auction after the closing dinner.

If you're interested in sponsoring, exhibiting, or donating an item for the auctions, please contact our Director of Membership, Whitney Hough, at 850.222.5646 or Whitney@FLForestry.org.

For full event details, registration, or to book your hotel, visit our website at FLForestry.org. Have questions? Contact the Association office at 850.222.5646. We can't wait to see you in Miramar Beach!

# **SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

6:30 AM - 6:00 PM Registration Desk Open

#### Tuesday, August 26, 2025

10:00 AM - 6:00 PM Registration Desk Open
1:00 PM - 6:00 PM Trade Show Set-Up & Silent Auction Open
1:00 PM - 3:00 PM Forestry Council Meeting
3:00 PM - 5:00 PM Prescribed Burn Working Group
5:30 PM - 7:00 PM Registrant Reception/Exhibitor Meet & Greet

#### Wednesday, August 27, 2025

6:30 AM - 8:00 AM Early Bird Coffee 6:30 AM - 10:00 AM Trade Show Set-Up 6:45 AM - 7:45 AM Tee-Time Coffee & Golf Registration 8:00 AM - 1:00 PM Timber Toppers Golf Tournament Shotgun Start Women of Forestry Networking Brunch: 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM Ginger Feagle and Allison Nash 10:00 AM - 7:00 PM Trade Show & Silent Auction Open **Breakout Session:** 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM Sustainable Aviation Fuel, Gary Peter 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM Lunch on your own 2:00 PM - 4:10 PM General Session: Help is Here!, Laura DiBella Forestry Economic Impact Study, Christa Court European Union Deforestation Regulation, Mark Pitts 4:15 PM - 5:15 PM 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM Welcome Reception/Exhibitor Meet & Greet

#### Thursday, August 28, 2025

6:45 AM - 12:00 PM Registration Desk Open

6:45 AM - 8:00 AM Early Bird Coffee 8:00 AM - 10:00 AM Awards Breakfast 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM Trade Show & Silent Auction Open 10:00 AM - 11:20 AM General Session: Alternative Revenue Sources Lightning Round Carbon – Richard Hall Conservation Easements & Gopher Tortoise Recipient Sites Wetland Mitigation & Water-Related Revenue — Jack Vogel Pine Straw — Judd Lisenby 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM **Breakout Session:** NRCS Funding Programs, Juan Hernandez & Staff 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM Lunch on your own 12:00 PM - 1:15 PM \*Master Logger Lunch: Lt. Bill Henderson 1:30 PM - 2:30 PM General Session: Forest Markets, Amanda Lang 2:45 PM - 3:45 PM Trade Show Social & Silent Auction Final Bidding 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM Dinner Reception 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM Closing Dinner & Live Auction

\*THE MASTER LOGGER LUNCH IS OPEN TO EVERYONE. HOWEVER, ONLY MASTER LOGGERS REGISTERED FOR THE FULL MEETING MAY ATTEND AT NO CHARGE. OTHERS WISHING TO ATTEND MUST PURCHASE A TICKET BY AUGUST 14, 2025.



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# WOMEN OF FORESTRY NETWORKING BRUNCH

Wednesday, August 27, at 9:30 AM CDT

Ladies, please join us as we celebrate the incredible women working in forestry and the amazing spouses of those in the field. We're taking it to the next level with fantastic conversation, lasting connections, and delicious mimosas. *The brunch is free, but you must register to attend.* 



# TIMBER TOPPERS GOLF CLASSIC

Hit the links on Wednesday, August 27, for an invaluable networking experience

with other forestry professionals and friends!

Golf is open to all Association members and their guests. Meeting registration is not required to play in the tournament, but golfers must register for the tournament in advance to ensure a spot. Golfers may sign up individually or secure a team of four using the Annual Meeting registration form.

Tournament registration is \$125 per person or \$500 per team

### AVAILABLE EDUCATIONAL CREDITS

**Master Logger Continuing Logger Education** (CLE) credits - 6 hours

**Society of American Foresters Continuing Forestry Education (CFE) credits:** 

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# **SPEAKERS**

#### **GENERAL SESSIONS**



Laura DiBella Adams & Reece Help Is Here!



Christa Court **UF/IFAS** Forestry Economic Impact Study



Amanda Lang Forisk **Forest Markets** 



Mark Pitts American Forest & Paper Association **EUDR** 

#### LIGHTNING ROUND: ALTERNATIVE REVENUE SOURCES



Richard Hall **Buckhead Resources** Carbon



Jack Voael Natural Resource Planning Services, Inc. **Wetland Mitigation** & Water-Related Revenue



Jay Voqel Natural Resource Plannina Services, Inc. Conservation **Easements & Gopher Tortoise Sites** 



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**WOMEN'S NETWORKING BRUNCH** 

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**BREAKOUT SESSION** Gary Peter University of Florida



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Drawing to be held August 28 during the Annual Meeting Trade Show Social. **You do not have to be present to win.** 

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We need your support to make this year's live and silent auctions the biggest and best we've ever had.

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