

2026 FORESTRY IN-SERVICE TRAININGS

Join the Ohio Division of Forestry and their partners to improve and refine your forestry skills. Join other natural resources professionals to share knowledge and skills on a variety of forestry topics. All in-person training events run 9:30am to 2:30pm and are field-based. Please bring lunch, water, and dress for the weather.

Schedule of Events:

Date	Topic	Location
January 14, 2026*	Tick Safety & Diseases	Virtual – Teams (1-3pm)
February 18, 2026	Forest Health Threats	Virtual – Teams (1-3pm)
March 18, 2026	Everything Wetlands	OSU Olentangy River Wetland Research Park
April 16, 2026*	Non-Timber Forest Products	Rural Action Herb Hub
May 20, 2026	Songbirds & Forest Management	Mohican State Forest
June 17, 2026	Native & Invasive Shrubs and Vines	Highbanks Metro Park
July 15, 2026	Pollinators & Grasslands	Gwynne Conservation Area
August 19, 2026	Ins & Outs of Tree Planting	Buckeye State Nursery
September 16, 2026	Oak Savannah Management	Oak Openings Metro Park
October 21, 2026	Call Before You Cut - Advising on Timber Sales	Zaleski CCC Camp
November 18, 2026	Forest Management Practices for Wildlife	Tri-Valley Wildlife Area

* Indicates change from the standard third Wednesday of the month.

Registration is required, and more details will be provided to registered attendees prior to each program. Register by scanning the QR code or online at <https://go.osu.edu/forestryinservice2026>



Trainings provided in partnership with Ohio State University Extension and the ODNR Division of Wildlife.



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VIRTUAL TRAININGS: 1-3PM ON MICROSOFT TEAMS
IN-PERSON TRAININGS: 9:30AM-2:30PM

- **January 14th Tick Safety and Diseases:** Up-to-date information on the threats ticks pose and how to keep yourself safe. VIRTUAL PROGRAM
- **February 18th:** Learn the basics of the latest forest health threats in Ohio. VIRTUAL PROGRAM
- **March 18th:** Wetland delineation, planning, management and more.
 - Where: OSU Olentangy River Wetlands Research Park (352 W. Dodridge St. Columbus, OH 43202)
- **April 16th (Note – Thursday) Non-Timber Forest Products:** Common Ohio non-timber forest products: from growing to prepping. Includes a tour of Rural Action's new Herb Hub.
 - Where: Rural Action Herb Hub (296 S. Harper St. Nelsonville, OH 45764)
- **May 20th Songbirds and Forest Management:** Methods for managing forests to improve songbird habitat.
 - Where: Mohican State Forest (40.61608 -82.30288 Off ODNR Mohican Forest Road 60)
- **June 17th Native and Invasive Shrubs and Vines:** Identification of common Ohio shrubs and vines, including both natives and non-natives.
 - Where: Highbanks Metro Park Oak Coves Shelter House (9466 Columbus Pike Lewis Center, OH 43035)
- **July 15th Pollinators and Grasslands:** Pollinator and grassland habitat creation and maintenance, and wildlife benefits provided.
 - Where: Gwynne Conservation Area (690 Arbuckle Rd. NW London, OH 43140)
- **August 19th Ins & Outs of Tree Planting:** Everything you need to successfully plan and prepare for tree plantings.
 - Where: Buckeye State Nursery (5940 Memory Rd. Zanesville, OH 43701)
- **September 16th Oak Savannah Management:** Management practices and techniques for managing oak savannah ecosystems.
 - Where: Oak Openings MetroParks Toledo (5230 Wilkins Rd. Whitehouse, OH 43571)
- **October 21st Call Before You Cut – Advising on Timber Sales:** What to communicate with landowners to ensure they have a successful timber harvest that sustainably meets their goals and objectives.
 - Where: Zaleski CCC Camp (29371 Wheelabout Rd. McArthur, OH 45651)
- **November 18th Forest Management Practices for Wildlife:** Practices including edge feathering, structures for wildlife, and more designed to improve wildlife habitat in the woods.
 - Where: Tri-Valley Wildlife Area (5960 Memory Rd. Dresden, OH 43821)



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