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The Fourth Longleaf Alliance Regional Conference

Longleaf Pine

A Southern Legacy Rising From the Ashes

November 17 - 20, 2002

**Pine Needles & Mid Pines Resort
Southern Pines, North Carolina**

**Conference Announcement
and
Call for Posters**

Hosted by

The Longleaf Alliance, School of Forestry & Wildlife Sciences, Auburn University
North Carolina State University, Forestry Educational Outreach Program
North Carolina Division of Forest Resources

US Fish & Wildlife Service

USDA Forest Service



What is the Longleaf Alliance?

The Longleaf Alliance is a partnership of private landowners, forest industries, state and federal agencies, conservation groups, university researchers and outreach personnel and others interested in promoting a region-wide recovery of longleaf pine forests for their ecological and economic benefits. The Longleaf Alliance serves as a clearinghouse for a broad range of information on the regeneration, restoration and management of longleaf pine. A major focus is providing economically viable and voluntary options for recovery of longleaf on private lands, where most of the losses are occurring.

Through the Alliance, landowners and managers are connected regionally with peers or other public and private organizations who have successfully addressed similar problems or with researchers with similar interests and questions. The Alliance helps facilitate communication among research institutions and between researchers and managers, and builds networks between landowners, managers, consultants, industries, researchers, and longleaf proponents.

About the Conference

The general sessions and tour will focus on needs, successes, and opportunities in longleaf pine management for the private and public sectors. The poster sessions and associated socials will be open to a wide range of topics and will be used to foster partnerships between individuals and organizations in the public and private sectors. Emphasis will be placed on addressing silvicultural, ecological, social/political and economic issues challenging landowners and resource managers interested in the management and restoration of longleaf pine.

Who Should Attend?

This meeting is open to individuals and organizations with interest in longleaf pine and associated plant and animal communities: including private landowners, managers, consultants, conservation groups, university researchers and outreach personnel, forest industry, and agency personnel.

Pre and Post Conference Tours

Several pre and post conference field tours are being planned. Information will be sent to individuals who register for the Conference.

Continuing Education Credits

The conference will offer 12.5 Category 1 Continuing Forestry Education (CFE) credits authorized by the Society of American Foresters.

Location

This year's conference will be held at the historic Pine Needles & Mid Pines Resort in Southern Pines. The Resort has been providing old fashioned Southern hospitality for over 75 years in a comfortable, unique setting. All conference events will be held in the Reception Center at Pine Needles Lodge, with additional hotel facilities at adjacent Mid Pines Inn & Golf Club. A block of rooms has been reserved at these facilities for the following group rate: \$95 Single or \$48 per person Double, plus tax and service charge. **Reservations should be made by October 1st to ensure availability at the conference rate. You must return the completed Hotel Reservation Form (on back) to the hotel in order to receive the group rate.**

** Call for Posters **

The poster sessions will be a very important component of the conference. Two 2-hour periods are devoted solely to posters and the sessions are located in the Reception Center at Pine Needles Lodge. The poster sessions are open to a wide range of topics and have been used to foster partnerships between individuals and organizations in the public and private sectors. Organizations involved in some aspect of longleaf forest management are encouraged to present posters describing their overall programs. Abstracts (250 words) for posters are due August 15, 2002. Extended abstracts (3 pages) will be due prior to the meeting and compiled in a proceedings distributed at the conference. Abstracts will be reviewed regarding content and appropriateness to the conference, and authors will be notified of the decision by September 1, 2002. Address inquiries and send abstracts to:

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<i>scohen@fs.fed.us</i>	<i>kushjoh@auburn.edu</i>

Optional Bird Symposium Nov. 20th

The Special Bird Symposium on Wednesday afternoon will consist of reports on birds associated with the longleaf pine ecosystem. It is anticipated that papers will address topics related to such species as Red-cockaded Woodpeckers, Bobwhite Quail, Southeastern Kestrels, and a variety of grassland birds. Contact Mark Woodrey at mark_woodrey@fws.gov or 601-965-4903, ext. 16.

***Be sure to reserve your room
by October 1st!***

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Agenda Overview: November 17-20, 2002

CONFERENCE SPEAKERS WILL CONSIST OF LEADING LONGLEAF EXPERTS.
All Sessions will be held at the Pine Needles Lodge Reception Center.

Sunday November 17, 2002

2:00 - 5:00 p.m. Registration and Poster/Vendor Setup
5:30 - 7:00 p.m. Social and Poster Session

Monday, November 18, 2002

7:30 - 9:00 a.m. Registration and Poster/Vendor Setup

Morning **General Session:** Invited speakers presenting overviews of the cultural history of longleaf in the Carolinas and unique features of the Carolina Sandhills and Carolina Bays

Afternoon **Two plenary sessions** – 1) Ecology to include birds, herpetofauna, plant community and restoration of understory; 2) Longleaf management to include old field regeneration, mid-rotation management and pine straw management

Evening Social and Poster Session

Tuesday, November 19, 2002

7:00 a.m. Continental Breakfast and Poster Session
9:30 a.m. **Field tour** (*Transportation provided*) Topics: Natural & artificial regeneration, fire, stand management, understory management, pine straw, silvicultural methods plus field exhibits of equipment and methods.

5:00 - 8:00 p.m. Social & Dinner in field
Featuring "Carolina Barbecue and Music"

Wednesday, November 20, 2002

8:00 a.m. **Two plenary sessions** – 1) The economic argument for longleaf pine including longleaf as an investment and economics of fire; 2) Examples of Partnerships in Action including conservation groups and educational programs

12:00p.m. Adjourn main conference
1:00 p.m. Special Symposium on Upland Birds of Longleaf Ecosystems (optional)

Speakers

- Larry Earley, N.C. Wildlife Resources Commission (Retired)
- Bruce Sorrie, Longleaf Ecological
- Alvin Braswell, N.C. Museum of Natural Sciences
- Joan Walker, U.S. Forest Service
- Kay Kirkman, Joseph W. Jones Ecological Research Center
- Mark Hains, The Longleaf Alliance
- John McGuire, The Longleaf Alliance
- Barrett McCall, Larson & McGowin, Inc.
- Rick Hamilton, N.C. State University
- Jon Caulfield, Timbervest
- Sue Grace, USF&WS
- Frank Cole, USF&WS (Retired)
- Charley Tarver, Forest Investment Associates
- Rick Studenmund, The Nature Conservancy
- Rick Hatten, Georgia Forestry Commission
- Bruce Cunningham, Cunningham, Dedmond, Peterson & Smith, L.L.P.
- Todd Engstrom, Tall Timbers Research Institute

Registration

To register, complete the Conference Registration Form and return to FEOP. *Lodging is not included in the registration fee, and you must reserve lodging on your own by returning the Hotel Reservation Form (on back) to the resort by October 1.*

Registration fee for this conference is \$250 for Longleaf Alliance members, \$275 for institutional members and \$300 for non-members. The registration fee includes conference materials, breaks, 2 continental breakfasts, 2 lunches, 1 dinner, 2 socials, and transportation to the field trip. **Fees will be discounted by \$25 if paid by October 1, 2002.** Non-members will receive a one-year complimentary Longleaf Alliance membership. Spouses may fully participate for a fee of \$150. Students may also register for a special fee of \$150.

*Exhibitors and vendors should contact:
Mark Hains at 334-427-1029, hains@alaweb.com
for information on fees and facilities.*

For More Information

Information about the conference will be available at:

www.longleafalliance.org

General Conference Questions:

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Exhibitors contact:

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Conference Registration Form

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Send Conference Registration Form to FEOP, NC State University, Campus Box 8003, Raleigh, NC 27695;
or fax to 919-515-6883.

Name _____ E-Mail _____

Organization _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Country _____ Zip _____

Daytime Phone _____ Fax _____

Special accommodations required _____

Payment Information (please check)

Registration:

- \$250 LLA member
 \$275 Institutional member
 \$300 Non-LLA member
 \$150 Student
 \$150 Spouse
 Optional Bird Symposium November 20th
(add \$25)
 Subtract \$25 if before October 1st

TOTAL

Method of Payment:

Check (make payable to NC State University)

Credit Card: MasterCard VISA

Card Number: _____ - _____ - _____ - _____

Expiration Date: _____ / _____

Name of Cardholder: _____

Address Card is Billed to: _____

I agree to allow NC State University to charge this credit card for the workshop registration.

Cardholder Signature: _____

Lodging Information

Pine Needles & Mid Pines Resort

www.pineneedles-midpines.com

Rates: Single Occupancy: **\$95 per night**, Double Occupancy: **\$48 per person/per night** plus 9.5% tax and 15% service charge.

Deposit: (\$100.00 per room) This deposit will be applied to the last night of scheduled stay. Early departure or late arrival will result in forfeiture of deposit.

Check In: 2:00PM **Check Out:** 11:00AM

Cancellation Policy: Reservations canceled prior to **October 17, 2002** will be refunded deposit less a \$20.00 per person handling fee. Reservations canceled after this **October 17, 2002** will forfeit deposit.

Dress Code: In Dining Room for dinner: Men are required to wear jackets, ties are optional.

On Golf Course: Men are required to wear a shirt with a collar. Both men and women may wear Bermuda shorts. No jeans, please. Mid Pines Inn & Pine Needles Lodge are non-metal spike facilities.

Golf Fees: **\$85.00** per person, for 18 holes, Includes: greens fees, cart, bag handling, range balls, and storage. Call the Pro Shop at 800-747-7272 to arrange a tee time.

(Detach and Retain Above For Your Records)

Hotel Reservation Form

Make a copy of the completed form and fax or mail to Mid Pines/Pine Needles Resorts:

Return No Later than: **October 1, 2002**

Fax to: **910-693-4324**

Mail To: Mid Pines/Pine Needles Resorts (Attn: Reservations) P O Box 88, Southern Pines, NC 28388

NOTE: To prevent duplication: Do not call if this form was faxed or mailed. **Questions** please call: 800-747-7272

NOTE: 1 form must be completed for each person

Group Name: **The Longleaf Alliance**

November 17, 2002 / November 20, 2002

Arrival: (Day/Date): _____ **Departure:** (Day/Date): _____

Name: _____

(Please indicate)

Occupancy: Single Room: (1 person per room): _____ OR Double Room: (2 people per room): _____

If Double Occupancy:

Roommate _____ (must also complete and return a reservation form)***

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Daytime Phone: (_____) _____ E-Mail _____

Special Requests: _____ Smoking: _____ Non-Smoking: _____

(we will make every effort to accommodate requests, however they cannot be guaranteed)

A deposit of _____ is enclosed (Make checks payable to Mid Pines/Pine Needles Resorts) **OR**

Charge credit card # _____ Expiration date _____

(When using a credit card, your card will be charged for the deposit)

to guarantee my reservation. **Name on Card:** _____

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