

Longleaf Academy: Longleaf & the Landowner

January 24-26, 2023

Willie Hodges Estate Family Farm– Swainsboro, Georgia

Agenda

Tuesday January 24, 2023

- 9:00 am – 9:50 am** **Welcome and Introductions** *from The Longleaf Alliance and partners; and Landowner welcome from Herbert Hodges*
- 9:50 am—10:40 am Cultural History of Land Ownership in the South
– *Jamelle Ellis, Theodore Roosevelt Conservation Partnership*
- 10:40 am – 10:50 am** **Break**
- 10:50 am –11:40 am** Gaps & Opportunities: African American Land Loss and Sustainable Forestry – *Amadou Diop, US Forest Service*
- 11:40 am –12:10 pm Longleaf: The Tree, A Natural History
– *Karen Brown, The Longleaf Alliance*
- 12:10 pm –1:00 pm** **Lunch, provided**
- 1:00 pm –2:00 pm** Keys to Establishment: Site Selection & Site Preparation
– *Ad Platt, The Longleaf Alliance*
- 2:00 pm—2:20 pm** **Break**
- 2:20 pm – 3:10 pm** Keys to Establishment: Seedling Quality, Planting Techniques
– *Jacob Barrett, The Longleaf Alliance*
- 3:10 pm – 3:30 pm** **Field stop: newly planted longleaf stand**
- 3:30 pm—4:00 pm** Herbaceous Release —*Karen Brown, TLA*
- 4:00 pm – 4:30 pm** Working with a Forestry Professional
– *James Williams, Center for Heirs’ Property Preservation*
- 4:30 pm – 5:00 pm** Q & A, announcements; End for the day
- 6:00 pm** **Dinner meet & greet** – *Rustic Grill, 1253 US-80, Swainsboro, GA*

Wednesday January 25, 2023

9:00 am – 9:10 am	Welcome and questions
9:10 am—10:00 am	Forest Products and Economics – <i>Ad Platt, The Longleaf Alliance</i>
10:00 am –10:20 am	Break
10:20 am—11:10 am	Forest Pests and Diseases – <i>Lynne Womack, Georgia Forestry Commission</i>
11:10 am –12:00 pm	Burning Longleaf: The Pine that Fire Built – <i>Karen Brown, The Longleaf Alliance</i>
12:00 pm – 1:00 pm	Lunch, provided
1:00 pm—4:30 pm	<u>FIELD TOUR OF HODGES PROPERTY</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Managing with fire• Pinestraw options• Wildlife habitat management in longleaf pine systems• Understory restoration and management• Mixed age and mixed pine management
4:30 pm – 5:00 pm	Return to classroom and dismiss for the day
6:00 pm	<i>Pizza meet & greet</i> — <i>Cabins at Flat Creek Lodge, Stanley Grove Road, Swainsboro, GA</i>

Thursday January 26, 2023

9:00 am – 9:50 am	Getting Started with Cost-Share — <i>Vontice Jackson, NRCS</i>
9:50 am – 10:00 am	Break
10:00 am –11:30 pm	Don't Spend Your Pines: Addressing Heirs Property to Grow Generational Wealth – <i>Skipper StipeMaas, Georgia Heirs Property Law Center</i>
11:30 am – 12:30 pm	Lunch, provided
12:30 pm – 1:20 pm	Creating Your Family Forest Legacy— <i>Benjamin Sterling and Tyrah Ward Littles, McIntosh S.E.E.D.</i>
1:20 pm – 2:00 pm	Q & A session with presenters, course wrap up — Travel home safely!