Forestry on Ohio's Public Lands: <u>Teacher Field Days</u>

June 12 & 13, 2012 ~ Vinton Furnace State Experimental Forest

Forest Research for Society

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Headquarters – Vinton Furnace State Experimental Forest, off SR 93, Vinton Co.

June 12 Program (can attend either day or both days; Ohio University graduate credit available)

9:00 – 9:15 **History and Mission of the Ohio Department of Natural Resources Division of Forestry**
Bob Boyles, Chief, ODNR Division of Forestry; Nate Jester, Southern Region District Forester

9:15 – **Tree Identification** by using a simple dichotomous key. We will learn how to identify the native forest tree species based on leaf characteristics, compare other features, discover their place in the forest ecosystem, discuss economic uses, and hear the challenges of regenerating trees. Observant teachers will lead us in the classroom use of knowledge gained.

12:00 – 12:30 **Lunch** at forest headquarters [pack your lunch, drinks provided]

12:30 – 3:00 **Wagon tour of experimental forest** regeneration cuts and improvements, tree identification, wildlife benefits of tree harvesting, and summary presentations provided by observant teachers.

Daniel Yaussy, USDA Forest Service Northern Research Station, Delaware
Dave Apsley, Ohio State University Forestry Extension, Jackson
Lindsay Rist, ODNR Division of Wildlife, Athens

3:00 – 4:00 Evaluation at Forest Headquarters

June 13 Program

($20 workshop fee for the June 13th program only, bring check payable to PLT-Ohio)

PROJECT LEARNING TREE Pre K-12 EDUCATOR WORKSHOP [pack your lunch, drinks provided]
9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. We will feature highly interactive lessons addressing forest health and management which are easy to use with your students. You will receive the <u>PreK-8 Environmental Education Activity Guide</u> and <u>Exploring Environmental Issues: Focus on Forests</u> secondary module.

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