

**July 2022** 

The Wood Post

#### Wood You Not Know It?

July 2022 Riddle #6: A distinctive feature of this native hardwood tree is "squarish stems". Can you name the tree and perhaps two other distinctions for this three? See if you can figure it out & send us your answer to: info@kwoa.net

June 2022 Riddle #5 Answer: Leaf marcescence, common in the Fagaceae, the tree family that includes oaks, beeches, and chestnuts, this function retains dead leaves on the tree well after other trees are completely bare. Puzzle answers can always be found here.

# **KY Woodland Community Updates**

Forestry Farm Bill Review in House Ag Subcommitteeon Conservation and

<u>Forestry</u>: Wednesday, July 13, 2022 – 10:00 AM ETA live stream of the hearing will be available on YouTube. [agriculture.house.gov][agriculture.house.gov]

2022 WOSC, Woodland Owners Short Course: Registration includes all online sessions on *July 19, 21, 26, & 28* from 7 to 8:30 pm EDT. In-person Woodland & Wildlife Tour options on August 6 (Pennyrile State Forest) or August 13 (Berea College Forest). Topics, Registration links, & more info on our site are here. Direct registration link: https://wosc.ca.uky.edu/2022WOSC

**Emergency Relief Program** ERP covers losses to crops, <u>trees</u>, bushes, and vines due to a qualifying natural disaster event in the calendar years 2020 and 2021. Commodity and specialty crop producers have until July 22 to complete applications. Producers should contact their local USDA Service Center if they have questions.

White Oak Initiative: Call for "On the Ground: Call for Proposals": Another round of white oak sustainability projects is set to begin this fall. Proposals are being sought for Region 9 projects that work toward the White Oak Initiative's 10-year goals and 50-year vision, leading to long-term, sustainable white oak forests. The deadline to submit is July 15. Email <a href="Iwebb@forestfoundation.org">Iwebb@forestfoundation.org</a> to request the RFP. Note: This opportunity is of most interest to our partners. I couldn't find Region 9 delineation, but KY is definitely in the White Oak region. Learn about the White Oak Initiative at whiteoakinitiative.org. Assessment & Conservation Plan link is on our website here.

Forest Carbon Accounting Methodology in Question: Verra – the organization under which the Verified Carbon Standard (VCS), which sets the rules and requirements for calculating, ensuring the quality of, and certifying Verified Carbon Units (VCU's) that are sold on its carbon registry – recently made a decision not to add NCX's proposed tonne-year forest carbon accounting method to its VCS Program at this time... full acceptance of the methodology would be required for credits to be sold on Verra's carbon registry." Learn more here.

The National Alliance of Forest Owners (NAFO) - Thanks to Pam Snyder, Forest Management Chief, Kentucky Division of Forestry for alerting us to this very interesting new website: https://nafoalliance.org/in-your-state/?state=KY.

#### **SAVE THE DATES**

**KWOA 2023 Annual Meeting Dates** 

Lake Cumberland State Resort Park (SRP Official Meeting March 28-29 Optional activities March 27



## "From the Woods Today"

A weekly internet show co-hosted by Renee Williams and Billy Thomas with UK Forestry and Natural Resources Extension featuring segments focusing on Kentucky woodlands and

wildlife. The show airs live on Wednesdays at 11 a.m. ET. You can watch via Zoom or Facebook Live. Links to live shows are posted

on www.fromthewoodstoday.com just before the show. Join live or watch recorded shows later at the website. July Topics:

- July6:No Show
- July 13: Fireflies, What Does a Service Forester Do?, Steamweeder Trials
- July 20: Clean Water Act 50th Year, Native Water Uses, Wildlife Sounds

July 27: Knobs Region Forests, Ravens

**Comparing Tick Repellents for 2022**: Updated article:

https://www.prevention.com/health/a22095155/best-tick-repellents/

**Dynamic Soil Properties (DSP):** The NRCS Soil and Plant Science Division has updated the Dynamic Soil Properties (DSP) program's policy. To view or download the updated DSP policy, visit **NRCS eDirectives, NI\_430\_308: Part 308 – Soil Quality.** The 2022 Dynamic Soil Properties Guide is available to view or download **here**.

**Abandoned Oil & Gas Wells:** If you become aware of an abandoned well, please report it to **OrphanWells@ky.gov** Note: Kentucky Resources Council, KRC, helped draft and negotiate a bill that allows Kentucky to obtain up to \$104 million in federal aid to plug and reclaim the more than 14,000 known abandoned oil and gas wells in Kentucky

## **Planning a Harvest?**

A Kentucky Master Logger must be on-site and in charge of every commercial logging operation (excluding horse loggers). Kentucky's best management practices must be used on every commercial logging operation (including horse loggers).

Best to Check Out These Resources:

- Kentucky Master Logger Program: https://masterlogger.ca.uky.edu/
- Bad Actor Information & List: <a href="https://masterlogger.ca.uky.edu/bad-actor-information">https://masterlogger.ca.uky.edu/bad-actor-information</a>

### Just so you know

- If you haven't already joined the KWOA network, click here to join.
- You can share our news! See links at the bottom of this message.
- You can always contact us; send a message to **info@kwoa.net** with questions, suggestions, news, or to volunteer

Growing Forests for Our Future! KWOA volunteers work year-round providing opportunities that benefit Kentucky's woodland owners and contribute to sustainable forestry.

**KWOA Mission**"Bringing people and woodland sustainability together"













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