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# *SUSTAINING FORESTS, FISHERIES, AND AQUATIC RESOURCES IN A CHANGING WORLD*

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June 2–3, 2010, Paramount Plaza Hotel, 2900 SW 13<sup>th</sup> St., Gainesville, Florida 32608

## **About the Symposium**

Changing land use patterns due to clearing for agriculture, population growth, and economic forces have led to a 25% decline in forest area in Florida and much of the Southeast since the 1930's, threatening the ecological, economic and social values of our land and water resources. At the 40<sup>th</sup> Annual SAF/SFRC Spring Symposium leading experts from around the country will discuss a wide spectrum of issues related to sustaining our forest and aquatic resources. The Symposium will provide ideas, tools and information for virtually all of Florida's forest land owners and managers.

The John Gray Lecture will keynote the Symposium and will be presented by Mr. Carlton Owen, President and CEO, US Endowment for Forestry and Communities, Inc., Greenville, SC.

## **Continuing Education Credit**

The Symposium will offer 7 Category 1 Continuing Forestry Education (CFE) credit hours as authorized by the Society of American Foresters.

## **Wednesday Night Dinner**

Dinner Wednesday night will be hosted by the University of Florida SAF Student Chapter at the UF/IFAS Austin Cary Memorial Forest at 6:00 PM. Dinner is included with your registration.

## **Agenda**

### Tuesday, June 1

7 PM–9 PM Exhibit & poster set-up

### Wednesday, June 2

8 AM–5 PM Registration, exhibits & posters

9:00 AM Morning refreshments

9:30 AM Introduction

9:45 AM John Gray Lecture:

***Natural Resources Sustainability: Operating at the Speed of Need, Carlton Owen,*** President & CEO, US Endowment for Forestry and Communities, Inc., Greenville, SC

10:45 AM Graduate Student Poster Session

11:30 AM Luncheon

1:00 PM **General Session I: A National and Regional Perspective**

***National Criteria for Forest Sustainability:***

***Where Do We Stand? Guy Robertson,*** Sustainability Program Leader, US Forest Service Research, Washington, DC

***The Expanding Role of Marine Aquaculture and Fisheries Enhancement in Sustainable***

***Seafood, Kenneth Leber,*** Senior Scientist and Director, Center for Fisheries Enhancement, Mote Marine Laboratory, Sarasota, FL

***Family Landowners are Essential for Sustainable Forestry in the US, Keith Argow,*** President, National Woodland Owners Association, Vienna, VA

3:00 PM Refreshment break

3:30 PM **General Session 1 continued**

***SERPPAS Roles in Regional Sustainability Issues, Patrick Leonard,*** Assistant Regional Director Ecological Services, Southeast

Region, US Fish & Wildlife Service, Atlanta, GA

***Linking Science and Management in Sustainable Resource Management: Reflections on Two Long-term Oregon Programs; John Hayes,*** Chair, Wildlife Ecology & Conservation, University of Florida, Gainesville

***Regional and State-wide Sustainability of Fisheries and Aquatic Systems: Challenges and Opportunities; Gil McRae,*** Director, Fish & Wildlife Research Institute, Florida Fish & Wildlife Conservation Commission, St Petersburg

5:00 PM Adjourn

6:00 PM Dinner, ACMF

### Thursday, June 3

7:30 AM Breakfast

8:30 am **General Session II: Outlook for Florida Will Florida's Forests Sustain Renewable Energy Goals? Jarek Nowak,** Forest Utilization Specialist, Florida Division of Forestry, Tallahassee

***Florida's Pine Plantation Resource - A Disappearing Act? John Morris,*** Vice-President, Foley Timber & Land, Perry, FL

***Report on the Conversation on Conservation & the Importance of Working Forests, Eric Draper,*** Executive Director, Audubon of Florida, Tallahassee, FL

10:00 AM Refreshment break

10:30 AM **General Session III: Landowner Options for Achieving Sustainability Producing More Wood on Less Land through Genetics and Biotechnology, Jeff Wright,** ArborGen, Summerville, SC

*A New Look at Uneven-aged Management as a Tool for Sustainable Forests, Dale Brockway*, US Forest Service, Southern Research Station, Auburn, AL  
12:00 PM Adjourn

## Registration

The reduced early registration fee is \$135 if payment is postmarked by April 28<sup>th</sup>, 2010. After April 28<sup>th</sup> the regular registration fee is \$155. The student fee is \$50 for early or regular registration. The registration fee includes lunch and dinner on Wednesday, breakfast on Thursday, refreshment breaks and Symposium materials.

You may register on the symposium website:  
<http://sfrc.ifas.ufl.edu/events.html>

**Non-SAF** members who attend the Symposium and join SAF within 30 days after the Symposium will have their names entered in a raffle for which the Florida Division of SAF will reimburse you for your first year membership dues. SAF applications can be obtained at the registration desk at the Symposium.

**Cancellation and Refunds:** Requests for registration refunds will be honored if a written notice of cancellation is received by the UF/IFAS Office of Conferences on or before May 15, 2010. A \$75 processing fee will be deducted from all registration refunds. Sorry, no refunds will be honored for cancellation after this date.

**Special Needs:** Participants with special needs can be reasonably accommodated by contacting Dr. Pat Minogue ([pminogue@ufl.edu](mailto:pminogue@ufl.edu)) at least 10 working days prior to the symposium. He can be reached by phone: (850) 875-7142 or by

calling (800) 955-8771 (TDD). The TDD number can only be accessed from within the State of Florida.

## Meeting Site & Lodging

The Symposium will be held at the Paramount Hotel located at 2900 SW 13<sup>th</sup> Street, Gainesville, Florida 32608. The Paramount is offering a special group rate of \$64.50 plus tax / night for single or double occupancy. To qualify for the special rate, reservations must be made prior to May 15, 2010. Please call the hotel directly at: (352) 377-4000 or fax: (352) 371-1159 to make your reservations and state that you are a Forestry Spring Symposium participant. The room reservation code is FOR10 or Forestry Conference June 2010. Book online at: <https://reservations.paramountplaza.com/IQReservations/?promo=FOR10>. After the deadline, the discounted group rate and guest room availability are no longer guaranteed. The hotel provides shuttle service to / from the Gainesville Regional Airport.

## Registration Questions?

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