



Tree Farmer Update

Quarterly Meeting
May 16, 2009

The Spring meeting was hosted by Mark and Karen Morgan of Morgan Timber Products. About 40 tree farmers attended. Mark discussed the processing of logs into lumber products. He explained some differences in the various log species and conditions of each log which affect processing and the end products best suited to each log. Mark and crew processed beetle killed logs from Vita Mitchell's tree farm to demonstrate the milling process.

Mark and Karen expressed a desire to provide assistance to local tree farmers by milling their logs into timber products at no cost. This would be done on a predetermined date. Mark and Mike will work on the logistics of this process. This would be a wonderful opportunity for tree farmers to turn their logs into material for their own use.

Once again the Morgans provided a wonderful picnic lunch for all attendees. Thanks to Mark and family for an interesting and informative session.

Mike chaired the business meeting following. FLEP grants are not available this year. EQUIP or Fuel Mitigation grants may be made available to rural communities having a road association and/or a Wild-fire Protection Plan.

Wood collection sites are available in Stove Prairie and Meeker Park.

Wes Rutt reported on the MPB workshop he held during the April Blizzard. He determined it was a success with more than 60 attendees.

The 2009 National Convention will be Sept. 28-30, 2009 in Washington, D.C.

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Other Tree Farm News

Second Reminder: the biomass sort yards at Stove Prairie and Meeker Park are open again this year.

Review info on times and dates at www.peaktopeakwood.org.

State Tree Farm Committee

A special meeting was held April 30 in the Golden District to collectively complete the Performance Evaluation Matrix as requested by ATFS.

The Spring Meeting was held on June 4, at the Ft Collins USFS office. There was much discussion regarding the Tree Farm Audit to be performed June 11 and 12. Bud H. reported that the Performance Matrix will be completed by the end of June.

The Carpenters from the San Juan District have been selected as the Western Region Tree Farmers of the Year. This is only the second time in 33 years that a Colorado Tree Farmer has been selected for this award. Congratulations Ken and Lois!

CSU's wood boiler is up and running. Mark Morgan is providing chips for fuel. The Committee selected recipients for three annual awards to be presented later.

Kirk Will accepted the position of Committee Secretary.

New address or email

Notify Mike or Chuck via phone or e-mail

Official website for Colorado Tree Farmers:
www.treefarmer.com



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SUMMER ANNUAL PICNIC NOTICE

Larimer County Tree Farmers

DATE: Saturday, July 25, 2009

TIME: 9:00AM – 2:30PM

PLACE: Stone Mountain Ranch Road is
Approximately 0.6 miles from
North dam of Pinewood Reservoir
Along County Rd. 18E on north side
(green gate)

**Meet at the north parking lot of
Pinewood Reservoir at 9:00am.
Pinewood Reservoir is west of
Loveland and Carter Lake along
County Rd. 18E (Map Attached).**

PROGRAM: TOUR OF THE HANSON & JESSEN TREE FARMS – 965 Stone Mtn. Ranch Rd.
Theme: *“Getting it Done”*

Lunch is \$3.00 - collected at picnic

Following lunch, a brief a business meeting will cover the topics listed below:

- new chairperson
- state TF committee news
- Larimer County Forest Product Collection Sites
- Larimer County Tree Farm Product list
- 2009 Natl. Tree Farmer Convention in Washington, D.C. – Sept. 28-30, 2009
- Fall Meeting Date and Topic
- other business

NO DOGS PLEASE

WEAR FIELD CLOTHES AND HIKING BOOTS AND BRING BAD WEATHER GEAR

RSVP IS NEEDED BY JULY 22nd SO THERE IS PLENTY OF FOOD AND DRINK

See ya on the 25th!!

Everyone welcome!!

Bring a Friend!!