

Wisconsin Council on Forestry: Tuesday, March 11, 2025

State Natural Resources Building (GEF 2), Room G09, 101 S. Webster Street, Madison, WI 53707

and via Zoom – [Register for the Zoom meeting here](#)

Council Members		
<input type="checkbox"/> Tom Hittle, <i>Chair</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Henry Schienebeck	<input type="checkbox"/> William Van Lopik
<input type="checkbox"/> Matt Dallman, <i>Vice Chair</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> James Hoppe	<input type="checkbox"/> Brad Dorff
<input type="checkbox"/> Heather Berklund, <i>Chief State Forester</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> James Kerkman	<input type="checkbox"/> Adena Rissman
<input type="checkbox"/> Senator Romaine Quinn	<input type="checkbox"/> Juris Repsa	<input type="checkbox"/> Buddy Huffaker
<input type="checkbox"/> Senator Jamie Wall	<input type="checkbox"/> Sitka Pence, <i>Interim Representative</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Rebekah Luedtke
<input type="checkbox"/> Representative Jeff Mursau	<input type="checkbox"/> Jordan Skiff	<input type="checkbox"/> OPEN-Builders
<input type="checkbox"/> Representative Lori Palmeri	<input type="checkbox"/> Erik Rantala	<input type="checkbox"/>
Next Meeting: Tuesday, May 20, 2025		

Agenda

Tuesday, March 11	Notes: Decisions, Action Items, Assignments
9:00 AM Welcome & Member Introductions (Chair Hittle) 20 min	
9:20 AM Chair Update 10 min	
9:30 AM Open Forum for Council Members 30 min	
10:00 AM Legislative Updates 20 min	
10:20 AM DNR Secretary Hyun Introduction 15 min	

10:35 AM State Forester Update National Forest Update 20 min	
10:55 AM Break, 15 min	
11:10 AM State Forest Action Plan Update (Vice Chair Dallman) 10 min	
11:20 AM Age Distribution of Red Pine and Oak Update (Shawn Brantmeier, WI Paper Council) 10 min	
11:30 State Budget Update (Maggie Hutter, DNR Budget Director) 15 min	
11:45 AM Review and Input on Council State Budget Communications to Legislators (Chair Hittle) 15 min	
12:00 PM Lunch, 45 min	
12:45 Biennial Report Initial Input (Chair Hittle) 30 min	
1:15 PM Timber Producer Challenges: Landowner and Manager Perspectives <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Karl Welch, Timber Program Manager; USFS • Jim Warren, Forestry Field Operations Bureau Director; WI DNR • Joe Mattke, Vice President- Field Operations; Steigerwaldt Land Services • Erik Rantala, Forester; Kretz Lumber 60 min	

2:15 PM Break, 15 min	
2:30 PM Extension Forestry Program and Wisconsin Forestry Center: Updates and Discussion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tricia Gorby, Assistant Dean and Director; Natural Resources Institute, UW Madison Division of Extension • Steve Hubbard, Director and Extension Specialist; WI Forestry Center, UW-Stevens Point 60 min	
3:30 PM ADJOURN	