

# **FOREST MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING**

January 6, 2016

1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Michigan United Conservation Clubs

2101 Wood Street, Lansing

## **Conference Call Information**

Dial: 1-888-557-8511

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## **AGENDA**

- I. Welcome** – Bill Botti, Chair, Michigan Forest Association
- II. Action Items**
  - Adoption of January 6, 2016 Forest Management Advisory Committee (FMAC) Meeting Agenda
  - Adoption of November 4, 2015 FMAC Meeting Minutes
  - Discussion and Adoption of 2016 FMAC Meeting Schedule
- III. Public Comment**
- IV. Discussion and Election of FMAC Chair and Vice Chair (2-year terms)**
- V. Legislative Update** – Trevor VanDyke, Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR)
- VI. Urban and Community Forestry Update** – Kevin Sayers, MDNR
- VII. Registered Forester Update** – Bill O'Neill, MDNR
- VIII. Standing Discussion Items**
  - Timber Advisory Committee Update
  - Legislative Update
  - FMAC Member Program Updates
- IX. Next Meeting Date**

Meeting Date: TBD  
Location: TBD
- X. Future Agenda Items**

Update on the MDNR's new and Improved Website – Jeff Schmidt/Beth Clute, DNR (April meeting)
- XI. Adjournment**

## **FOREST MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE MISSION**

Create an **Advisory** Committee to advise the Director of the DNR.

### **Purpose of the Committee**

- Assist the DNR in balancing environmental, social and economic issues in implementing forest resource responsibilities.
- Provide a mechanism by which interested persons can play an advisory role in the formation of DNR priorities and practices related to forest resource, including:
  - Renewable and non-renewable resource use opportunities.
  - Timber related activities.
  - Forest health.
  - Recreation.
  - Biological diversity.
  - Habitat.
- Identify potential long-term threats to forest resources in the State.
- Describe economic and environmental opportunities that are linked with forest resources.
- Address management problems, opportunities and challenges related to public and private forest ownership.
- Provide active participation in the DNR's forest resource planning activities, including forest certification efforts.
- Identify appropriate partnerships with other agencies that impact Michigan's resources.

### **Membership** would include:

- Department of Natural Resources and other appropriate state agencies
- Forest industry organization representation:
  - Timbermen.
  - Primary wood producers.
  - Secondary manufacturers.
- Universities and Cooperative Extensions
- Federal, state and local government agencies
- Conservation and environmental organizations and/or associations
- Land trust organization
- Regional alliances (i.e. Great Lakes Forest Alliance)
- Forestry cooperatives (i.e. Western UP Forest Improvement District)

Maximum membership: 20 members.