



Working Lands for Wildlife Webinar

In Pursuit of the Shifting Mosaic

[Register today](#) for a unique opportunity to explore and discuss working lands conservation.

This FREE webinar hosted by [RGS & AWS](#) and the [NRCS Working Lands for Wildlife program](#) will educate landowners and natural resource professionals on working lands conservation programs intended to benefit wildlife species and promote forest diversity.

The event will start with an overview of historical natural disturbances to forests in the Central Hardwood Region of the US. We will look more closely at current research examining breeding bird responses to natural and silvicultural disturbances, as well as how management can be applied through federal programs on private lands.

This webinar has been approved for 2.5 Category 1 CEU's by the Society of American Foresters. [Please register here to receive credit.](#)

FEBRUARY 25, 2021 - AGENDA

10:30 – 10:45 AM: Introduction/Working Forest Model, Nick Biemiller, Ruffed Grouse Society & American Woodcock Society (RGS & AWS)

- Background on current collaborations and RGS Working Forest Model

10:45 - 11:30 AM: Dr. Katie Greenberg, Research Ecologist, Bent Creek Experimental Forest

- Overview on historical Natural Disturbances in the Southern Appalachians and Central Hardwood Region
- Breeding Bird Response to Natural and Silvicultural Disturbances in the Southern Appalachians

11:30 – 11:40 AM: Break

11:40 – 12:30 PM: Dr. Jeffrey Larkin, Indiana University of Pennsylvania and American Bird Conservancy

- Overview on research demonstrating the importance of dynamic forest management for reversing the declines of imperiled wildlife
- Examples of programs and partnerships that assist with wildlife management on a landscape scale: WLFW and NFWF: Central Appalachian Habitat Stewardship Program; cover implementation to monitoring results.

12:30 – 12:50 PM: Working Lands for Wildlife, Charles Faires, RGS & AWS

- Provide background on Working Lands for Wildlife in North Carolina
- Overview on working lands and forest management as a vehicle for golden-winged warbler and wildlife management

12:50 – 1 PM: Break

1 – 1:30 PM: Panel Discussion with State and Federal Partners



Event partners:

USDA, USDA Forest Service, American Bird Conservancy, Indiana University of Pennsylvania, Association of Consulting Foresters, Blue Ridge Resource Conservation & Development, North Carolina Division of Soil & Water Conservation, Forest Stewards Guild, North Carolina Forest Service, North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission, Society of American Foresters, Southern Research Station

