

New England Chapter of The Wildlife Society

Annual Fall Workshop

Great Falls Discovery Center, 2 Avenue A, Turners Falls, MA Tuesday, October 21, 2014 9:30 am – 2:30 pm

Management of Declining New England Habitats

Agenda

- 9:30 10:00 am Refreshments and Registration
- 10:00 10:15 am Welcome and Business Meeting/Officer's Report
- 10:15 12:15 pm Presentations

10:15 – 10:35 – <u>Use of Prescribed Fire as a Management Tool</u> Presenter: Tim Simmons, Restoration Ecologist, Massachusetts Natural Heritage and Endangered Species Program

10:40 – 11:00 – <u>Partnerships in Action - VTFWD and NRCS working together to enhance</u> <u>Golden Winged Warbler Habitat in Vermont</u> Presenter: David Adams, Habitat Specialist, Vermont Fish & Wildlife Department

11:05 -11:25 – <u>Massachusetts Grassland Bird Conservation</u> Presenter: Jon Atwood, Bird Conservation Fellow, Massachusetts Audubon Society

11:30 – 11:50 – <u>Invasive Species Control and Habitat Restoration in Calcareous Wetlands</u> Presenter: Chris Buelow, Assistant Restoration Ecologist, Massachusetts Natural Heritage and Endangered Species Program

12:15 – 1:00 Break for Lunch

1:00 – 2:30 -Tour of Montague Wildlife Management Area led by Tim Simmons

The Montague Wildlife Management Area (WMA) is a 1,500 acre property that is the best example of an inland pitch pine/scrub oak barren in Massachusetts. It is extremely rich in rare plants and animals (including rare lepidoptera). The Massachusetts Division of Fisheries and Wildlife actively manages the WMA with fire and forestry operations.

The Wildlife Society Continuing Education – 3.0 Credits

Registration will occur at the door:

Members (Regular & Student) – Free Student Nonmembers - \$5.00, which includes membership in the chapter Regular Nonmembers - \$10.00, which includes membership in the chapter

RSVP BY October 10, 2014

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