Write your own Forest Stewardship Plan!

Your forest is managed by you and driven by your objectives. By identifying your primary goals and concerns, and objectively formulating an action plan based on best available science and biological surveys of your land, we will help you develop a Forest Stewardship Plan that is nationally accredited and certifiable.







"When I first learned about the workshop, *it sounded good, but secretly I felt I really* wouldn't learn a great deal. It would *probably just confirm what I already* knew...I figured I knew how to handle my forest land. Boy, was I in for a surprise!"

Why should I attend?

Learn about your forest, what species do you have, how are they growing, how old are your trees, what animals share your forest?

Establish your own objectives for your forest, inventory your forest, and write a plan to help you reach your goals and may qualify your forest land for cost share opportunities.

Receive a personalized site visit with a natural resource professional.

Discover more about ...

FOREST ECOLOGY

Your forest consists of water, soil, plants, animals, trees and much more. Learn how they interact and impact forest health.

FIRE RISK MANAGEMENT

Fires and insect outbreaks are a reality in western forests. Learn more about influencing disturbance events and making your forest more defensible and resilient to their impacts.

WILDLIFE HABITAT ENHANCEMENT

Wildlife need food, water, cover, and space. Discover how you can enhance habitat for various species.

TREES - the OVERSTORY

Learn about the trees on your property, their condition and what they need to thrive and regenerate.

UNDERSTORY and RANGE MANAGEMENT

Wildflowers, shrubs, seedlings, and weeds: forests have them all. Learn to identify plants, enhance some, and control others.

FOREST HEALTH ASSESSMENT & MAINTENANCE

What is a healthy forest? Use an inventory to take a critical look at the components of your forest. Assess its age, health risks, growth potential, and the options you have to improve its current condition.

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2025 **Forest Steward** Workshops



Participants say...

"We see things we never saw before. We have become more aware of everything-animals, plants, and how they interact on our property."

"The plot studies and plan opened our eyes to seriously evaluating our property and learning how to care for it. All landowners should take this class; it's too good to turn down."

Each workshop includes....

Home-study videos and instructions to prepare for class can be completed on your own schedule.

Day I Check-in: 7:30 - 8:00 a.m. & Indoor class 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Day 2 Outdoor 8 a.m. - noon & Indoor 1 p.m. - 5 p.m.

Between Days 2 and 3 Inventory your property. You will be supplied with equipment necessary to perform a stewardship inventory on your property. This can be accomplished in the evenings after work for smaller properties (<20 ac.), or may take a couple days for larger properties.

Day 3 Indoor class 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

On-site Consultation Following the Workshop - As Scheduled

After you complete your plan, a Certified Stewardship Advisor will visit you, at no additional cost, at your forest for about 2-6 hours. This is a great opportunity to consult with a resource professional about your objectives, your forest, and your Forest Stewardship Plan. For reporting purposes, you are asked to submit a copy of your plan to MSU Extension Forestry.

Workshop Registration Fee \$150 per Ownership Includes one set of course materials and a site visit to your property. Additional family members and/or partners representing the ownership are encouraged to attend at no additional cost. Duplicate sets of workshop manuals are available at cost (\$110). Registration fees are not refundable after the application deadline but can be applied toward a future workshop.



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REGISTRATION

On-line Registration is Available! Visit: https://montana.edu/extension/forestry

2025 Workshop dates and locations (mark one)

- Frenchtown May 22-23 & 30
 Bozeman June 12-13 & 20
- □ Kalispell July 24-25 & August 1
- Plains August 14-15 & 22

Please register by May 9, 2025 Please register by May 30, 2025 Please register by July 11, 2025 Please register by August 1, 2025

For pre-class packet please choose your preference: View Videos on Internet Borrow a DVD

Parcel identification (so we can provide maps)	Informational packets and property maps are sent out a few weeks prior to the workshop so please register early . Each workshop is limited to 20	
Name on tax record		
County (location of forest)		
Section Township Range		
Total # Acres Notes:	ownerships and often fill quickly.	

If registering by mail please call to preregister as classes fill quickly through on-line registrations.

Name(s)		Number attending
Address		Payment enclosed \$
	State Zip	MSU Extension Forestry
Home phone		
		Mail to:
Mobile phone		W.A. Franke College of Forestry & Conservation 32 Campus Drive
E-mail		Missoula, MT 59812-0606

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