



**Considerations and Innovations for Managing  
Michigan's Lowland Forests  
Sponsored by  
The Michigan Society of American Foresters  
November 4-5, 2010  
Ramada Inn, Grayling, Michigan**

**Day 1, Thursday, November 4**

**8:00 – 9:00 AM – Registration**

**8:45 – 9:00 AM - Welcome, Pete Squibb, Chairman, MSAF LP Chapter**

**9:00 – 10:00 AM – Overview of Michigan's Lowland Forest Resources, Mike Vasievich, USFS (retired)**

**10:00 – 10:15 AM - Break**

**10:15 – 11:10 PM – Ecological Effects Associated with Lowland Timber Harvests, Dr. Rod Chimner, MTU**

**11:10 – 12:00 – Timber Harvest BMPs and Revisions, Larry Pedersen, MDNRE, Forest Management Division**

**12:00 – 1:00 - Lunch**

**1:00 – 1:45 PM - Professional Loggers Panel Discussion:**

- *Marty Muma, CM Forest Products Inc.*
- *Warren Suchofsky, Suchofsky Logging*
- *Bill Brand, Northland Harvesting*
- *Mike Elenz, Elenz, Inc.*
- *Tom Barnes, MAT*

**Moderator Jack Pilon, MDNRE, Forest Management Division.**

**1:45 – 2:15 PM - Timber Harvesting Equipment Update, (James Charlier, Ponsse Corporation Tent)**

**2:30 – 2:45 PM – Break**

**2:15 – 3:00 PM - Industry Perspective on Lowland Timber Harvest and Availability, Charles Becker, Resource Supervisor, Plum Creek Timber Company, Inc.**

**3:00 – 3:15 PM - Break**

**3:15- 4:00 PM – Large Commercial Forest Ownerships Perspectives on Lowland Timber Harvesting, Art Abramson, Timber Manager, Longyear Timber**

**4:00- 4:45 PM – Wildlife Management considerations for Michigan Lowland Forests, Brent Rudolph, MDNRE, Wildlife Division**

**4:45 – 5:00 PM- Instructions for Tomorrow's Lowland Timber Harvest Demonstration by Ponsse Corporation, Pete Squibb, Chairman, MSAF LP Chapter**

**5:00 - 5:30 PM – SAF Chapter Meetings**

**5:30- 6:00 PM – SAF State Society Meeting**

**6:00 – 6:30 PM – Shake and Howdy**

**6:30 PM – Banquet**

**6:30 PM – “The Metz Fire of 1908”, Mark Thompson, Presque Isle County Historian**

*(MSAF Awards and Education Fund Raffle will be held following the presentation)*

**Day 2 Friday, November 5**

**7:00 Light continental breakfast (Provided)**

**8:00 – 8:15 AM – Good Morning and Overview, Pete Squibb, Chairman, MSAF LP Chapter**

**8:15 – 9:00 AM – Drive to Lowland Timber Harvest Demonstration Site**

**9:00 – 11:00 AM – Lowland Timber Harvest Demonstration, James Charlier, Ponsse Corporation**

**11:00 – 12:00 AM – Question and Answers, Jack Pilon, Facilitator, MDNRE, Forest Management Division**

**12:00 AM - Adjourn**

***Final agenda subject to change.***

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**SAF/ACF Member:** \_\_\_\_\_ **\$85.00**      \_\_\_\_\_ **\$75.00 w/o Banquet**  
**Non-Member:** \_\_\_\_\_ **\$95.00**      \_\_\_\_\_ **\$85.00 w/o Banquet**  
**Students:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Free**  
**Banquet only:** \_\_\_\_\_ **\$30.00**

**Registration – Deadline October 25 (Late Registration \$15.00) Please indicate any special dietary needs**

**CHAPTER AND BUSINESS MEETINGS, -----**

Wednesday, November 3  
 SAF Executive Team, 7:30 pm.

Thursday, November 4

Check in starts at 8:00  
 Program Starts – 9:00  
 State SAF Business Meeting, 5:30 – 6:00  
 SAF Upper Peninsula Chapter meeting, 5:00- 5:30  
 SAF Lower Peninsula Chapter meeting, 5:00- 5:30

Friday, November 5  
 Meeting begins at 8:00

**MEETING ACCOMMODATIONS**

A block of rooms is reserved at the Ramada Inn in Grayling under the name "Society of American Foresters"  
 Room costs: \$60.00  
 Phone: 800 292-9055 or 989 348-7611  
 Please register immediately because our block of rooms can only be held until November 1.

