

Forest Soils Workshop

Wednesday May 10, 2017

9:30 am –3:00 pm

Henderson Town Hall

9522 S 21 Rd, Cadillac, MI

This workshop will provide natural resource workers as well as landowners with a better understanding of forest soils. This will be primarily a field workshop. Objectives are to assist forest management plan writers to better integrate soils information into management plans, improve our interpretation of landform and soils information into our conversations with landowners, and to improve site recommendations for silvicultural practices. Presenter Trevor Hobbs, Soil Scientist, will address the topic of landforms and their relation to forest productivity as well as species that are best suited for different landforms.

Trevor Hobbs has studied and worked on the geomorphology and soils of Northern Lower Michigan landscapes for 12 years. He holds a B.S. in Earth Science from Western Michigan University (2006) and an M.S. in Geography from Michigan State University (2009). Since graduating from MSU, he's served as a guest scientist with the Huron-Manistee National Forests. He currently works seasonally as a soil scientist at the Huron-Manistee NF where he provides expertise on mapping ecological landtypes, mitigating effects to soils from forest management, tailoring vegetation treatments based on soil limitations and capabilities, and incorporating GIS and soil geomorphology principals into other resource program areas. He is also owner of an independent environmental GIS firm, Contour Geographic, which focuses on soil science consultation, web based GIS, and using unmanned aerial vehicles to provide photogrammetry and remotely sensed spatial data products for conservation, agriculture, and land use management.

This program has been reviewed and is approved for professional CFE credits by the Society of American Foresters for 4.5 Category 1 credits.

This program has been approved for (4) SFI- CE credits by the Michigan Forest Products Council.

Pre-register is required by calling the Wexford Conservation District office at 231-775-7681 ext. 3, or emailing: larry.czelusta@macd.org by May 5th. Coffee, juice and snack will be provided, a \$10 donation is requested (waived for FAP foresters).

