

June 1, 2004

**WEST VIRGINIA BULLETIN NO: WV360-4-15**

**SUBJECT: PER – Training Opportunity - Timber to Truffles**

**Purpose: To advise employees of a training opportunity regarding traditional and special forest products**

**Expiration Date: This bulletin expires July 23, 2004.**

This bulletin is to advise NRCS employees of a forestry related training opportunity. A workshop entitled Timber to Truffles will be held on the campus of Glenville State College on July 21-23, 2004. The objective of the training is to provide resource planners an opportunity to learn about a wide variety of potential forest products and marketing techniques that are suitable for family forests. Topics to be covered include: integrating special forest products and timber production, medicinal and aromatic herb production, portable sawmills and opportunities, mushroom cultivation, ginseng production, maple syrup production, marketing special forest products, recreation opportunities for family forests and plant identification. A copy of the tentative agenda is attached.

Lodging will cost approximately \$25.00 per night and meals (breakfast, lunch, dinner) will be provided at a total cost of \$34.80.

Anyone interested in attending this training session should obtain approval from their immediate supervisor and contact Barbara McWhorter at (304)284-7576 no later than Friday, June 25, 2004.

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# Timber to Truffles Draft Agenda

July 21-23: Glenville State

21-Jul Time

Track 1

Track 2

Track 3

## *Evening General Session*

7:00 - 9:00 pm  
Introduction to Traditional  
and Non-Timber Forest Products

22-Jul Time

Track 1

Track 2

Track 3

## *Breakout Sessions*

8:30-10:30

Business Planning

Marketing special products

Plant Identification

10:30-12:30

Site Quality Assessment

Marketing special products

Plant Identification

12:30-1:30

Lunch

Lunch

Lunch

1:30-3:30

Ginseng production

Mushroom Cultivation

Recreation Opps.

3:30-5:30

Ginseng production

Mushroom Cultivation

Liability/ Risk Mgt.

## *Evening General Session*

7:00-9:00  
Policies and Regulations Affecting  
Non-Timber Forest Products

**23-Jul Time**

**Track 1**

**Track 2**

**Track 3**

*Breakout Sessions*

8:30-10:30

Marketing Timber

Field Session  
Timber production and NTFP

Maple Syrup

10:30-12:30

Financial Assistance Opps.

Landscaping plants  
from the forest

12:30-1:30

Lunch

Lunch

Lunch

1:30-3:30

Portable sawmills

Recreational Wildlife Opps.

Medicinal/Aromatic  
herbs

3:30-5:30

Portable sawmills

Wood Products

Christmas Trees

