

Forest Stewardship Education Newsletter: May 2020

Upcoming 2020 Forest Stewardship Workshops

May 18th – July 16th

Forest Stewardship Online and In-person Field Day Workshop

Location: Online and Blodgett Research Station, Georgetown, CA (Eldorado County)

September 12th, 13th and 26th

Forest Stewardship 3-Day Workshop

Location: UC Berkeley Forestry CAMP, Meadow Valley, CA (Plumas County)

October 3rd

Follow-up Workshop for Ukiah and Berkeley Workshop Participants

Location: Potter Valley Tribal Community Center

Additional workshop hosted by your local UCCE office can be found by searching 'UCCE (your county)'

Greetings from UC ANR

"Crazy, but that's how it goes..."

OK, I will admit that I have thrown a little [Ozzy Osbourne](#) (definitely NOT for everyone!) into my playlist while sheltering in place and strictly working from home. It has added a little 'whoa' to what at times can feel a little tedious, even when one's plate is full.

We are continuing to schedule workshops, looking forward to the days when we can meet in-person again. We have also transformed the stewardship workshop into a blended learning, flipped classroom method so we can continue with our outreach via Zoom. I am excited by this alternative method and look forward to receiving participant input.

Part of this effort involved revitalizing the [California Family Forest](#) website. There is a lot of great information there so please feel free to check it out.

Even in these crazy times, several of you have moved forward with your RPF initial site visit. A great social distancing activity! Please remember to stay in touch as you continue to move forward with your plan development and implementation.

As Forest Stewardship Workshop participants, I hope you are all well, watching out for that crazy train and finding your own little daily 'whoa' – Kim Ingram,
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"I realize creating a forest management plan will take time & involves new experiences for me, I anticipate that I will use UC ANR as an ongoing resource. You all were amazing. Thank you!" – Workshop participant

California Oak Health Workshop

This spring, UC Cooperative Extension with support from Sonoma State University, Center for Environmental Inquiry held a California Oak Health workshop for oak enthusiasts, landowners, natural resource managers, and foresters to discuss issues faced by California's native oak trees and oak woodlands.

The online format of the workshop had our oak health specialists record their presentations, which were then posted online for viewing by participants. Following posting of the videos, we hosted a live moderated Q and A webinar on April 21st to answer and discuss questions from participants.

Topics discussed in the workshop included: conservation of Oregon white oak and California black oak woodlands by Yana Valachovic – Forest Advisor, UCCE Humboldt-Del Norte; post-fire survival and regeneration of California black oak, blue oak, and interior live oak by Michael Jones – UCCE Forest Advisor, Mendocino, Lake, and Sonoma; sudden oak death by Chris Lee – Cal Fire Forest Health Specialist; root-rotting Phytophthora's by Ted Swiecki – Phytosphere Research; and the newly detected Mediterranean oak borer by Akif Eskalen – UCCE Plant Pathology Specialist.

All the videos plus additional content and resources have been posted for public viewing on our [website](#). There is still a Q and A survey on the website if anyone viewing the material would like to ask a question of the oak health specialists.



New and Relevant Online Resources for You!

Looking for additional information on forest management? Need help locating resources to complete a section of your California Cooperative Forest Management Plan?

The Forest Stewardship Workshop Materials [web page](#) has new information on topics such as building a clinometer from items you have at home, and Living among the oaks: Learn how to keep your oak trees healthy so they can benefit generations to come.

Information on agritourism from the UC Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education Program (UC SAREP) and county-based UCCE advisors can be found on the Additional Resources [web page](#).

If you come across a relevant website or other resource, and would like to share it with other workshop participants, please contact Kim Ingram at kcingram@ucanr.edu.

