

POCOSIN and CYPRESS SWAMP PLANT IDENTIFICATION WORKSHOP

May 26-27, 2009

Bladen Lakes State Forest, Bladen Co., NC

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Plant Identification Services

Workshop Overview

This two-day workshop will show you how to identify pocosin and pine flatwood shrubs that look so much alike and cypress swamp tree and herbs. Information also will be presented on topics including plant structural terminology, wetland plant identification resources, and plant identification keys. Being able to identify these species will help you delineate wetlands, assess wetland functional capacity, evaluate wildlife habitat, conduct wetland research, or simply enjoy the beauty of two common North Carolina Coastal Plain wetland types.

Instructor

Dr. Jon Stucky has been on the Department of Plant Biology faculty at North Carolina State University (NCSU) for 35 years. He is a member of the NCSU Academy of Outstanding Teachers and has taught/co-taught NCSU courses titled Wetland Flora, Grasses/Sedges/Rushes, and Wetland Delineation, Assessment, and Regulation. Dr. Stucky has been teaching workshops on wetland plant identification, winter plant identification, and hydrophytic vegetation determination for 16 years. His research involves the floristics and conservation of wetlands and rare plant species conservation.

Registration

Number of workshop participants is limited so that Dr. Stucky can give individual attention. Space in the workshop will be reserved for you once your completed registration form and payment of \$425 (check or money order) have been received. The registration period will begin in January, 2009, and last until May 15. Registrants will receive expert instruction, course materials, lunches, refreshments, field trip transportation, and a workshop certificate.

Registrants must provide their own 10X magnifying hand lens and a sharp pocket or sheath knife. Suggested sources for hand lenses include

- www.gemplers.com: 16X doublet magnifier
- Carolina Biological Supply; 1-800-334-5551; 10X doublet magnifier

Cancellations

Cancellations received on or before May 15 will receive a full refund minus a \$100 service charge. Refunds can not be given for cancellations received after May 15. If you must cancel late, you may arrange with Plant Identification Services (plantid@nc.rr.com) to have a replacement participant take your place.

Meeting Location and Convenient Lodging

On May 26 convene at 9:30AM in front of the education center at Jones Lake State Park, 5 miles north of Elizabethtown, NC along NC 242. The workshop will utilize the state park and Turnbull Educational State Forest, both within Bladen Lakes State Forest. Convenient lodging is available only five miles south of Jones Lake at the Days Inn Elizabethtown (609 E. Broad St.). Phone (910.862.7444) for reservations. Alternatively, camping is available at Jones Lake State Park.

Information

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