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MS Forestry Commission Announces New Prescribed Burning Short Course Session

PEARL, Miss. - The summer session of the Mississippi Forestry Commission's Prescribed Burning Short Course will be held June 19-21, 2018 at the Southern Regional Fire Training Center in Pearl. The Prescribed Burning Short Course is open to the public and designed for anyone wishing to become a Certified Prescribed Burn Manager in Mississippi.

Date:

June 19-21, 2018

Time:

9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. on June 19th
8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. on June 20th & 21st

Location:

Southern Regional Fire Training Center
3139 Highway 468 West
Pearl, MS 39208

Space for the workshop is limited, and registration is REQUIRED. To fill out the registration form, visit:
<http://bit.ly/PBSSummer18>

Upon completion of the Prescribed Burning Short Course participants will qualify to take the Mississippi Certified Prescribed Burn Manager exam on the last day of the course. Registered Foresters will earn CFE credit. In the hands of a Certified Burn Manager, prescribed burning is a safe way to apply a natural process to manage forestland. Prescribed burning is one of the most efficient and cost-effective tools available to foresters and landowners in the Southeast for understory management, fuel reduction, site preparation, wildfire risk reduction, and wildlife habitat improvement.

For additional information about the workshop, please visit <http://bit.ly/PBSSummer18> or contact:
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About the Mississippi Forestry Commission

Established in 1926, the [Mississippi Forestry Commission](#) (MFC), protects the state's valuable forest resources from wildfire, manages approximately 480,000 acres of forested School Trust Land, and delivers quality forest management services and assistance to both rural and urban landowners. Our mission is to provide active leadership in forest protection, forest management, forest inventory, and effective forest information distribution, necessary for Mississippi's sustainable forest-based economy. The MFC looks forward to the continued privilege of caring for Mississippi's trees, forests, and natural resources. There are approximately 19.8 million forested acres in Mississippi. Mississippi's forestry and forest products industries have a \$12.79 billion economic impact and employs almost 70,000 people. Forestry consistently ranks as the state's second most valuable agricultural commodity, right behind the poultry industry.

