

2024 MLA Educational Workshops



This year, the MLA—in cooperation with the Montana Forest Council—is sponsoring the following continuing-education workshops:

- **Contracting 201** ... 7 ALP Credits ... Fee \$20/person. Tuesday, April 2, Missoula. This class will have a more in-depth focus on navigating contracts, a follow up to last year's 101 class.
- **Written Safety Program**... 2 ALP credits FREE... An opportunity to start your loss control manual or refresh and update an existing one. (Libby, Kalispell, Missoula)
- **Forest Stewardship Workshop for Loggers** ... 32 ALP credits... Fee \$200 for members... \$350 non-members. April 23rd – 25th. The FSW for loggers is the basic building block of the ALP program. This workshop has been revised and includes pre-work prior to the start of the classes. Meals @ the MLA office are included. Pre-registration is required.
- **What's New in Logging** ... 6 ALP credits ... Fee \$20/person ... Friday, April 19 in Kalispell. This class will cover various topics all centered around diversifying and improving your current operation.
- **Forest Management Practicum (Advanced SFI)** ... 8 ALP/PLH credits ... Fee \$20/person, May 2 @ Lubrecht Experimental Forest. This will include ecology, hydrology, soils, silviculture, aesthetics, recreation, economics, wildlife and the sustainability of all. This workshop satisfies the 8-hour requirement for Advanced SFI.
- **Montana Forestry BMP & SMZ**... 8 ALP/PLH credits ... Fee: \$20/person. This one-day workshop will improve your knowledge of Montana's Forestry Best Management Practices and our Streamside Management Zone Law & Rules. ALP loggers are required to take BMP/SMZ training at least **every three years**. Classes will be May 6 in Libby, May 7 in Kalispell, May 8 in Missoula and May 9 in Deer Lodge.
- **Log Scaling Workshop** ... 8 ALP Credits ... Fee \$15/person. May 21 in Kalispell and May 23rd in Deer Lodge. This class is designed for the contractor, his crew and agency foresters.

Continuing-ed Conferences beyond the MLA's efforts to develop logger training and educational programs, conferences often provide an excellent opportunity for ALP credits. A few conferences this spring are...

2024 Forestry MiniCollege ... March 9th, Missoula... up to 5 ALP Credits
Website: <http://forestry.msuextension.org>

2024 Intermountain Logging Conference ... April 3-5 ... Spokane... ALP Credits available
Website: <http://intermountainlogging.org>

2024 Montana Forest Landowner Conference ... April 19th, Helena ... (program pending) ... Website:
<https://www.foreststewardshipfoundation.org/>

SafetyFestMT... May 14-16... ALP Credits - Missoula
Website: <https://safetyfestmt.dli.mt.gov/missoula>

As a reminder, participants in the ALP program need 32 continuing-ed credits each year to retain their ALP status. If you have any questions about your ALP status, call Coleen at the MLA office, 406-752-3168 or email coleen@logging.org.



Contracting 201 **The Ins & Outs of Agency Contracts**

Tuesday, April 2nd – Missoula – Best Western Grant Creek Inn – 5280 Grant Creek Rd

Registration Deadline: March 25th

Time: 8am to 4pm (lunch on your own)

7 ALP/PLH credits

Cost: \$20 per person for members, \$25 for non-members

Purchasing an agency timber sale can be a daunting task, especially if you are relatively new to the process.

This class is a follow up to last year's 101 class, with a more in-depth focus on navigating contracts.

Representatives from the USFS, DNRC and the GNA program will present on what you need to know when it comes to timber sale contracts.

Presenters: Brook Blakeley – MT DNRC, GNA Program Specialist
Sarah Lyngholm – MT DNRC, Forest Product Program Manager
Paul Donnellon – USFS, Supervisory Forester
Dave Clay – USFS, Regional Sale Administration Specialist
Kyle Johnson – BLM Forester



Contracting 201

PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED, CLASS SIZE LIMITED!!

Company Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

Class Date: **Tuesday, April 2 – Missoula** Email: _____

Names: _____

of people _____ X \$ _____ = Total Due: \$ _____ Check # _____

Please make checks payable to: Montana Logging Association, P.O. Box 1716, Kalispell, MT 59903
Phone 406-752-3168

2024 Log Scaling Workshop

****Pre-Registration is required****

May 21 – MLA Office, 2224 MT Hwy 35, Kalispell & Weyerhaeuser, Evergreen

May 23 – Deer Lodge, Pen Center

Time: 8am – 4pm

Credits: 8 ALP

Cost: \$15 per person

The morning will be in the class room, learning the basics of Scribner Log scaling, and log quality, and the afternoon looking at and scaling logs.

This class is designed for the contractor, his crew and agency foresters. It is an overview of Scribner, not an in-depth detailed log scaling class. You will learn the basics of Scribner scale rules, so by the end of the class, you can tell if a log is 1/3 sound, needed long butting, etc. We will also go over agency contracts and how Scribner applies to each. We will also go over all aspects of log quality and the financial results to the mills.

What you need to bring:

- ANSI approved hardhat
- Hi Viz Vest
- Safety Glasses
- log tape
- clip board
- scale stick, if you have one



Workshops begin promptly at 8 am and will be completed by 4 pm.

Instructor: Scott Kuehn – Retired Forester



Log Scaling Workshop ***** Pre-Registration is Required**
_____ **May 21, Kalispell** _____ **May 23, Deer Lodge**

Company Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Names: _____

_____ @ **\$15 ea** Total Due: \$ _____ Check# _____

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"Advanced SFI and Applied Selective Forestry"

Thursday, May 2 - Lubrecht Experimental Forest Lecture Hall
@ 38689 MT-200, Greenough, MT

Registration Deadline: April 24

Time: 8:00am - 4pm.

8 ALP/PLH Credits

Cost: \$20 per person members; \$30 per person non-members

Minimum Class size 10



This workshop will begin with a review of intent and process of the Sustainable Forestry Initiative (SFI). Discussions will include certification and how all this impacts your business!

We will then discuss Selective harvesting and how it applies to SFI. This will include Ecology, hydrology, soils, silviculture, aesthetics, recreation, economics, wildlife and the sustainability of all. We will give you tools/resources to utilize on any site you may work with. We will visit a site to apply a prescription based on Selective harvest principles-- You will help determine if the outcome is sustainable or not!

The Sustainable Forestry Initiative program manages the largest single forest certification standard in the world. SFI continues to grow and several Montana forest products companies are enrolled in this program. This workshop satisfies the 8-hour requirement for Advanced SFI.

**Presenter: Dr. Peter Kolb – MSU Extension Forestry
Zack Miller – Weyerhaeuser**

What you need to bring:

- outdoor weather appropriate clothing
- loggers tape (50'-75')
- Pencils

-A sack lunch and drinks, there is no opportunity for off-site lunch at Lubrecht.



ADVANCED SFI

PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED!!

Company Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

Class Date **May 2** @ Lubrecht Experimental Forest Email: _____

Names: _____

_____ @ \$ _____ Total Due: \$ _____ Check # _____

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BMP/SMZ WORKSHOP

A HANDS ON APPROACH!

May 6th - Libby Ponderosa Room, City Hall – 952 E. Spruce Street

May 7th - Kalispell Hampton Inn, 1140 Hwy 2 West

May 8th - Missoula Best Western Grant Creek 5280 Grant Creek Rd

May 9th - Deer Lodge Pen Center 925 Main Street

Class Sizes Are Limited & Pre-Registration Is Required By May 1st

You must complete both the classroom and field portions of this class to get credit, so be dressed appropriately for the weather and be prepared to drive to a field location for the afternoon.

Time: 8am to 5pm (lunch on own)

8 ALP/BMP credits

Cost: \$20 per person for members, \$25 for non-members

Sponsored by the Montana Forest Council, the Montana Logging Association and the Montana DNRC, these one-day workshops will improve your knowledge of Montana's Forestry Best Management Practices and our Streamside Management Zone Law & Rules. Local DNRC Service Foresters will be helping with this workshop so it is also an opportunity to meet these folks and get to know them! This will be a great class for contractors, crews and trucks!

This workshop is a required SFI training course for Montana Operations.

What you need to bring:

- outdoor clothing & footwear
- AN ANSI approved hard hat
- A 50'-75' loggers' tape
- Pencils & an eraser
- A plastic bag for keeping books dry
- a bag lunch and drinks



BMP/SMZ WORKSHOP

PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED!! By May 1st

Company Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

Class Location: _____ Date: _____ Email: _____

Names: _____

of people _____ X \$ _____ = Total Due: \$ _____ Check # _____

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What's New In Logging

Friday, April 19th - Kalispell Hampton Inn, 1140 U.S. Hwy 2 W

Registration Deadline: April 15th

Time: 8 am to 4 pm Lunch on your own

7 ALP/PLH credits

Cost: \$20 per person for members

This class will cover various topics all centered around new logging technology and equipment available for a variety of applications from equipment manufacturers and dealers.

Confirmed Presentations from Modern Machinery, RDO Equipment, Axis Forestry, Triad Machinery, High Mountain Forestry and AKE Safety



What's New in Logging

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Company Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

Class Date: **April 19, 2024** Email: _____

Names: _____

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