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Brown Bag Lunch Series

MOU DCR-Approved Forest Cutting Plans

West Springfield Municipal Office Building

Justin Morgan Auditorium (2nd floor)

26 Central Street

West Springfield MA 01089

Wednesday, May 25, 2016

11:00am-1:00pm

Mark Stinson, DEP Circuit Rider Western MA, Doug Hutcheson and Kate Marquis, DCR Service Foresters will discuss the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for DCR-approved forest cutting plans. DCR Service Foresters uphold M.G.L. Ch.132, the Forest Cutting Practices Act, which is regulatory; the Service Forester reviews Forest Cutting Plans (FCP) and ensures that Best Management Practices (BMPs) are implemented. The DCR MOU with DEP, (M.G.L. Ch. 131,) the Wetland Protection Act, exempts forest cutting under an agricultural exemption. DEP and DCR will discuss the MOU , what to do when Commissions have concerns and how and when the Commission can participate in the process.



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There will be a board meeting from 10-11. Everyone is welcome to attend. RSVP at www.tinyurl.com/MSMCP5-25-16event
Please carpool if you can.