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## **2016 FALL FIELD DAY - COAST**

### **Creativity & Compliance – Forestry under a Paradigm of Aggressive & Productive Conservation**

October 21, 2016

Usal Redwood Forest Company, LLC

Usal Creek Area – M & M Road off Hwy 1 at mile marker 99

(Entrance is on the north side of highway.)

Speakers will be discussing the complexities associated with combining a conservation easement, a compliance level carbon project (under the Air Resources Board U.S. Forests Project Protocol) and a productive, working forest. This field trip will review the combination of these limiting factors, as well as, the challenges and opportunities that are involved with active forest management. An emphasis on restoration and financial success is the goal.

This will be a brown bag field trip. Participants will meet at the gate on M and M road and assemble into fewer vehicles before setting out. Bring appropriate clothing, water and food.

**Please be at meeting location by 9:00 am. Field day will end at approximately 3:00 pm.**

## Speakers

**Stephen G. Smith** is the Chief Forester for the Usal Redwood Forest Company, LLC (URFC), a division of RFFI. Prior to working for URFC he was the State Stewardship Forester for CDF/CAL FIRE. Before working for CAL FIRE he was the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) State Forester for California for 3 years, and District Conservationist in the Ukiah and the Colusa Field Offices for 7 years. Early in his career he worked with CDF as a Service Forester for 9 years, had his own business, S. G. Smith and Associates, for 9 years, job hopped in FSC Forest Certification doing national and international forestry for 9 years and spent 3 years as the Head Park Forester for the City and County of SF. His consulting firm specialized in forestry issues in the rural-urban interface, forest certification, and private and community forest management. He received his forestry degree from the University of California, Berkeley with an emphasis in soils. In the past, he has been a District Director for Santa Cruz RCD and later, the Mendocino RCD. He is a long-time member of the CARCD Forestry Committee and State Stewardship Committee. [Forester@mcn.org](mailto:Forester@mcn.org)

[For assistance in finding the meeting location you can contact Steve Smith @ 707-479-0008](#)

**Scott Kelly** is The Timberland Manager for the North Coast Forest Conservation Program. For the past 9 years Scott has been managing the 73,000 acre forest in Mendocino and Sonoma Counties. A registered professional forester since 1990 Scott has 32 years of experience in the redwood region. Scott is a graduate of Humboldt State University, class of 1984 with an emphasis in soil science.

Prior to working for The Conservation Fund Scott was self-employed as a consultant to the Fund. Scott started his career in the redwood region working for Gualala Redwoods, Inc. where he has worked for 12 years. Scott has extensive experience with inventory design for the calculation of carbon offsets as well as The Conservation Funds Sustained Yield Plan. Scott also has extensive experience as a field forester logging contract supervision and managing road improvement projects to reduce instream sedimentation.

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**Jim Clark** is currently the President of North Coast Resource Management. He received a Bachelor of Science in Forestry from the University of California Berkeley. He currently has over 18 years of experience in forestry related land management services, and has been a Registered Professional Forester since 1995.

Mr. Clark has strong technical capabilities in forest management, forest mensuration, forest growth and yield analysis, and GIS and GPS systems. He has been an active participant in the development of GPS and GIS technology and is highly adept in computer usage, as well as the usage of mobile GIS applications and precision forestry tools. His strong written and oral communication skills enable him to easily communicate with clients, and his emphasis on producing a quality product is evident in all aspects of his work.

Mr. Clark's work has included assisting in the development of a graphical user interface for the CRYPTOS growth and yield model, development of several proprietary software programs for the calculation of timber volumes, directing field crews in GPS data collection for municipalities and supervised data conversion into GIS, performing timber and timberland appraisals – clients include conservation organizations, land trusts, and private landowners. Reports have been prepared independently, or in conjunction with other appraisers.

He has been responsible for the supervision of logging operations including timber harvesting, silvicultural prescriptions, road construction, and reforestation; he also interacts with regulatory agencies, and adjacent landowners in association with timber harvesting.

Recently, Jim has been actively involved in the development of Greenhouse Gas offset credits for forest projects. This has been primarily through the recently revised Forest Project Protocol of the Climate Action Reserve (CAR). He has been involved with the development of an aggregation proposal aimed at improving small landowner participation in the Protocol through his participation in the aggregation workgroup created by CAR in October of 2009.

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### REGISTRATION

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Spouse/Guest \_\_\_\_\_

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**Cancellations received after that date will be assessed a 25% cancellation fee.**