

Walnut Council National Meeting Agenda
July 28-30, 2024
Springfield, Ohio

Sunday, July 28

8:30 am – 10 am	Walnut Council Foundation Board Meeting, Comfort Suites Springfield (guests welcome)
11:00 – 2:00 pm	Walnut Council Board Meeting, Comfort Suites (guests welcome)
4:00	Shuttle bus or drive on your own from hotel to Young's Jersey Dairy, 6880 Springfield Xenia Rd, Yellow Springs, OH
4:30 – 7:30	Registration open at Young's
4:30 – 5:30	Dinner at Young's Jersey Dairy, cash bar
5:30 – 7:30	Evening program: Welcome, Landowner Show and Tell, Field tour previews
7:45	Shuttle bus returns to hotel
8:00 – 9:30 PM	Hospitality room at hotel

Monday, July 29

6:30 – 7:45 AM	Breakfast provided by hotel
7:45	Buses depart for Timmons property
8 – 4	Tour of Brad & Diane Timmons property: Eight stops with topics related to walnut and hardwood management in plantations and in natural stands. Lunch will be provided.
9:30– 2:00	Companion Tour – Hartman Rock Gardens and Heart of Ohio Antique Center
5:45	Load shuttle buses or drive on your own to Hollenbeck Center
6 – 8 PM	Reception/Poster session/Awards Banquet, Hollenbeck Center
6:00 – 8	Silent auction open
6 – 6:30	Poster session, reception with cash bar
6:30 – 8:00	Meal/Awards presentations
8:30	Return to hotel
8:30 – 10:00 PM	Hospitality room open at hotel

Tuesday, July 30

7:30- 8:00 AM	Optional business meeting/poster viewing
7:30- 8:00 AM	Silent auction/exhibits open
10:00 – 1:30	Companion Tour – Frank Lloyd Wright Westcott House and lunch
8:00 – 3:10	Expert Presentations, Hollenbeck Center
8:00 – 8:15	Welcome/remarks
8:15 – 8:50 AM	Successful timber sales examples, Scott Costello, consulting forester
8:50 – 9:25 AM	NRCS Conservation Programs for Woodlands, Stephanie Downs, Ohio Div of Forestry & Angel Arehart, NRCS
9:25 – 10:00	Working Collaboratively to Sustain Oak Dominated Forests, Dave Apsley, Ohio DNR Division of Forestry

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10:00 – 10:20 AM	Break
10:20 – 10:55 AM	Deer Impact Toolbox, Jarred Brooke, Purdue Extension
10:55 – 11:30 AM	Succession and Estate Planning – Developing the Legacy for Your Woodlands, David Marrison, OSU Extension
11:30 – 12:05 PM	Thinning the Forest to See the Trees, Kathy Smith, OSU Extension
12:05 – 12:50 PM	Lunch
12:50	Silent auction ends (approx., time to be announced)
12:50 – 1:25 PM	Industry Panel Discussion, by select members of the Ohio hardwood and veneer industry
1:25 – 2:25 PM	Roundtable discussions with experts, bring your questions:
NRCS programs	Conservation easements
Timber sales	Timber taxes
Succession planning	Tree planting design
Beginners' session with a consulting forester	Deer prevention
Fruit and nuts/alternate forest products	Fertilization/weed control/cover crops
	Industry Q and A
2:25 – 3:00 PM	Current Hardwood Markets and Industry Trends, Matthew Bumgardner, USDA Forest Service
3:00 – 3:10 PM	Closing remarks, Claude Diehl, WC President
3:45 PM – 5:00 PM	Optional post tour of Cedar Bog Nature Preserve

Agenda subject to change. For the latest updates see <https://walnutcouncil.org/events/annual-meeting/>

This program will be submitted for CFE credits from the Society of American Foresters.