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Memo

To: Foresters Certified as per CGS Section 23-65h

From: Christopher R. Martin, Director/State Forester

Date: 5/11/2017

Re: Notice of the **ONLY** 2017 Training Session – "PA-490" Evaluating Land Proposed for Classification as Forest Land– To Be Held on June 14, 2017

Landowners who seek to have land classified as "Forest Land" on their municipality's Grand List must present the local Assessor with an application and a Qualified Forester's Report for the subject land between September 1st and October 31st. A landowner must hire a certified Forester who has been deemed "Qualified" by the State Forester to evaluate their land for classification as "Forest Land" and prepare a Qualified Forester's Report which must be signed and dated no later than October 1st.

FORESTERS - If you want to become "Qualified" or renew your accreditation to evaluate land for classification as "Forest Land" and prepare Qualified Forester's Reports, you must satisfactorily complete training from the State Forester, or his or her designee, in the policies and standards for evaluating land proposed for classification as forest land pursuant to section 12-107d of the Connecticut General Statutes. Upon completion of this training, a short examination will be administered. This qualification/accreditation is valid for four years. Information pertaining to the Ten Mill Law will also be covered during this session.

WHEN- Wednesday, June 14, 2017 from 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM

<u>WHERE</u>- Meeting room at the headquarters of the Connecticut Forest & Park Association, 16 Meriden Road, Middlefield, CT. CFPA straddles the Middlefield/Middletown town line on Route 66 – at the top of the hill climbing west out of Middletown.

PLEASE ADVISE THIS OFFICE BY JUNE 7TH 2017 IF YOU PLAN TO ATTEND

To let us know if you plan to attend, you may either:

- 1. complete the form below and <u>fax it</u> to 860-424-4070, or;
- 2. mail it (CT DEEP Forestry, 79 Elm St., Hartford, CT 06106) or;
- 3. <u>email</u> the required information to Sheila Hoefle (<u>sheila.hoefle@ct.gov</u>)

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I plan to attend the June 14, 2017, PA- 490 Training Session for Certified Foresters.

Name:	Certificate #:
Address:	Phone: ()
City/State/Zip:	_ Fax: ()
Email:	-

NOTE: YOU REMAIN QUALIFIED FOR 4 YEARS AND DO NOT NEED TO TAKE THIS TRAINING IF YOU PASSED THE PA-490 TRAINING GIVEN IN 2014, 2015, or 2016