



# 2022 SFFGS/FLSAF FALL SYMPOSIUM

## HOT TOPICS IN PRESCRIBED FIRE

October 11-12, 2022

Stern Learning Center

Austin Cary Forest

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This is a cooperative event of the Florida Division Society of American Foresters (SAF) and the University of Florida IFAS School of Forest, Fisheries, and Geomatics Sciences (SFFGS). Forestry and natural resource professionals are encouraged to attend! Join us for the latest on prescribed fire practice in Florida, fire weather and planning tools, ecosystem restoration, liability and insurance issues, Southern Fire Exchange resources, and more. The meeting will also include a session on forestry ethics, an update from our SAF District Board representative Tom Fox, FL Division SAF Awards, our social and dinner on October 11, FL Division SAF Business Meeting, and a field trip with Dr. Daniel Johnson to explore a fire ecology experiment at Ordway-Swisher Biological Station. **This event is approved for a total of 10.0 Cat. 1 SAF Continuing Forestry Education Credits.**

### Registration:

**SAF Members:**           **\$125** full registration for current members of the Society of American Foresters (no Eventbrite fee)

**Non-SAF Members:**   **\$150** regular full registration (no Eventbrite fee)

Single-day registrations available (+Eventbrite fee)

Register online now at:

<https://2022-saf-sffgs-fall-symposium.eventbrite.com>

Questions about this event can be addressed to Chris Demers, 2022 Fall Symposium Chair  
[cdemers@ufl.edu](mailto:cdemers@ufl.edu), (352) 846-2375

If you have dietary restrictions or other special needs please contact Cindy Love at [cilove@ufl.edu](mailto:cilove@ufl.edu)

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## “Hot Topics in Prescribed Fire”

Sponsored by the University of Florida / IFAS School of Forest, Fisheries, and Geomatics Sciences  
and the Florida Division Society of American Foresters

**October 11-12, 2022**  
**UF Stern Learning Center at Austin Cary Forest**

- AGENDA -

<b>Tuesday October 11 – Full Day Session</b>	
7:00 – 8:00 am	<b>Exhibitor and UF/IFAS Extension Bookstore Setup</b>
8:00 am – 5:00 pm	<b>Registration, Sign in (Patio Entrance)</b>
<b>Sponsor Exhibits</b>	Chair: Kari Hurst, Natural Resource Planning Services (NRPS)
<b>UF/ IFAS Extension Bookstore</b>	Sarah Hensley, Operations Manager, UF/IFAS Extension Bookstore
8:00 am	<b>Continental breakfast, meet &amp; greet</b> (Annex and Deck)
9:00	<b>Opening</b> , Dr. Terrell “Red” Baker, Director, UF/IFAS School of Forest, Fisheries, and Geomatics Sciences (SFFGS), Chris Kinslow, Chair, Florida Division Society of American Foresters, and Chris Demers, Fall Symposium Chair, SFFGS <b><i>Welcome and update from the School of Forest, Fisheries, and Geomatics Sciences</i></b>
9:15	Tom Fox, District 10 Board Representative, Society of American Foresters <b><i>“Update on the Society of American Foresters”</i></b>
9:45	<b>Refreshment break with exhibitors and UF/IFAS Extension Bookstore</b>
10:00	<b>Session 1</b>
10:05	John Raulerson, Chief of Fire and Forest Protection, Florida Forest Service <b><i>“Statewide Prescribed Fire Update and Tools”</i></b>
10:35	Alex Boothe, Senior Meteorologist and Fire Weather Program Leader, National Weather Service <b><i>“Florida Fire Weather and Fire Planning Tools”</i></b>
11:05	Dr. Tim Martin, Professor, SFFGS <b><i>“Ethics in Forestry”</i></b>
12:05 pm	<b>Lunch</b> <b>Visit with exhibitors and the UF/IFAS Extension Bookstore</b>

## Tuesday October 11 – Continued

1:00 pm	<b>Session 2</b>
1:05	Dr. David Godwin, Director, Southern Fire Exchange, SFFGS <i>“Southern Fire Exchange Tools and Resources to Support Fire Practitioners”</i>
1:45	Dr. Michael Ulyshen, Research Entomologist, US Forest Service Southern Research Station <i>“Pyrodiversity and its Effects on Pollinators”</i>
2:20	Gage LaPierre, PhD Student - Forests Systems Lab, SFFGS <i>“Old Field Restoration”</i>
3:00	<b>Refreshment break with exhibitors and UF/IFAS Extension Bookstore</b>
3:15	<b>Session 3</b>
3:20	Drs. Rae Crandall and Jennifer Fill, Assistant Professor and Postdoctoral Researcher, respectively, SFFGS <i>“A Conversation Café on Fire Season and Biodiversity”</i>
4:40	<b>Florida Division SAF Awards</b> , Chris Kinslow and Scott Sager, SFFGS <b>Sponsor Recognition</b> , Kari Hurst, NRPS
5:15	<b>Social on Deck</b>
6:00	<b>Barbeque Dinner by Hills BBQ</b>

## Wednesday October 12 – Morning Session

7:30 am	<b>Continental Breakfast</b>
8:00	<b>FL SAF Business Meeting</b> , Florida Division Society of American Foresters
9:15	<b>Session 4</b>
9:20	Tyler Carney, PhD Student, SFFGS <i>“Fanning the Flames of Cooperation: A Collective Action Approach to Prescribed Fire Agreements”</i>
10:00	Dr. Morgan Varner, Senior Scientist, Tall Timbers <i>“Liability and Insurance Challenges for Practitioners ”</i>
10:40	Dr. Dan Johnson, Assistant Professor, SFFGS <i>“Spatial Relations in Prescribed Fire”</i>
11:30	<b>Conclusion of Morning Session, CFEs</b>

## Wednesday October 12 – Lunch and Afternoon Field Trips

11:45	<b>Box Lunches</b>
12:30 pm	<b>Field trip:</b>  <b>***THE FIELD TRIP IS NOW FULL***</b>  <b>UF Ordway-Swisher Biological Station with Dr. Dan Johnson, SFFGS</b> Prescribed fire spatial dynamics in the longleaf pine forest  Total instructional time will be 1.5 hours.
3:30	Return to Stern Learning Center, CFEs, Adjourn

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Program Committee: Joshua Baker, Dr. Terrell “Red” Baker, Dr. Rae Crandall, Chris Demers, Kari Hurst, Chris Kinslow, Cindy Love, and Scott Sager

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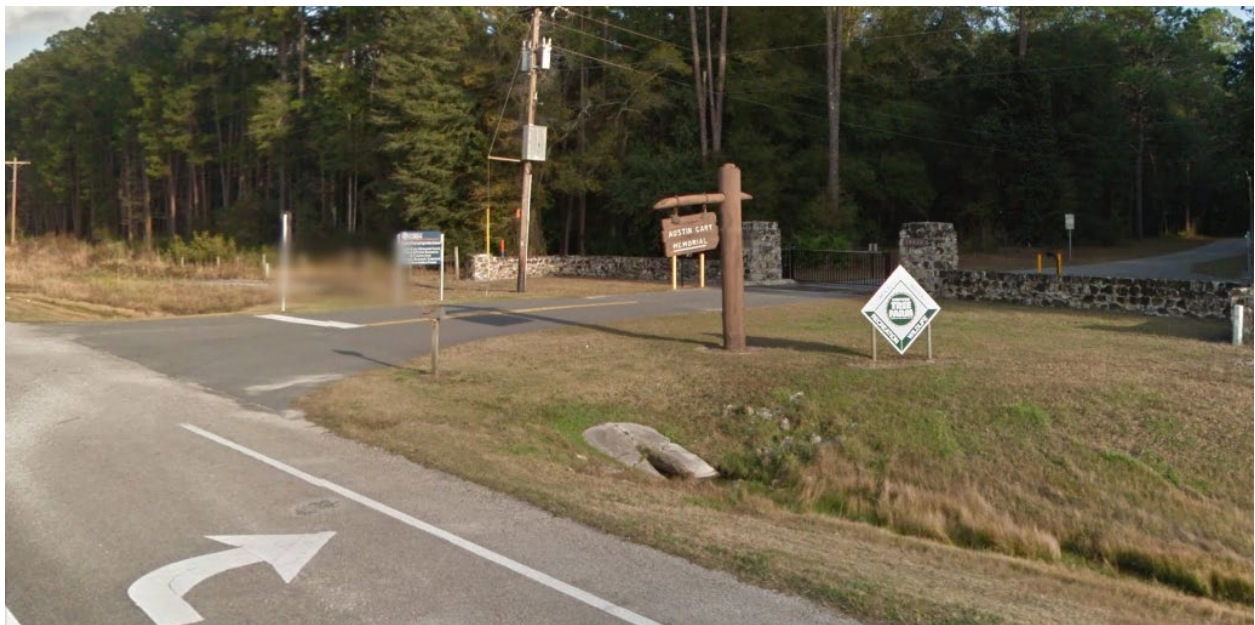
**This event will also satisfy the 8 hours of continuing education required every 5 years for certified prescribed burners to maintain their certification.**

**Roland T. Stern Learning Center**  
**University of Florida Austin Cary Forest Campus**  
10625 NE Waldo Rd  
Gainesville, FL 32609

**From I-75:** Take Exit 387 (Newberry Road) east to Waldo Road (SR 24). Turn left (north). Approximately 8 miles later, you'll see a sign on the right-hand side indicating the Austin Cary Forest.

**From I-10:** Take Exit 343 (US 301) south. Continue south for approximately 40 miles through the cities of Starke and Waldo. From Waldo, take SR 24 south toward Gainesville. Turn left at Austin Cary Forest.

There is a stone wall and a gate at the entrance to the Austin Cary Forest. Head through the gate and stay straight, passing the front buildings and vehicles, to the Loop Road. Follow it around for about 1.5 miles, noting the signs to turn right toward Lake Mize and the Learning Center. Parking is available in several areas near the Learning Center.



## Hotel Information

For those needing overnight accommodations, a block of rooms is reserved at a special price, **\$96.00** for a 2-Double or King Suite, at the **Best Western Gateway Grand Hotel and Conference Center** in Gainesville.

Guests may use the direct booking link below to reserve a room in our Symposium block. The default check-in is set for Oct 9 but you can edit that by clicking the EDIT button at the top right on the page: [https://www.bestwestern.com/en\\_US/book/hotel-rooms.10281.html?groupId=9B6QK9Z4](https://www.bestwestern.com/en_US/book/hotel-rooms.10281.html?groupId=9B6QK9Z4)

Alternatively, you may call the hotel directly at **352-331-3336** to make a reservation. Please mention group block name **SFFGS - Symposium 2022** to get the special rate. A credit or debit card is required at time of booking to guarantee reservation.

This block of guest rooms is being held at the special rate for a limited time. ***Please reserve your room by September 26, 2022.***

Location link: <https://binged.it/2oFApyz>

### **Other Lodging: Reservations need to be made separately with these hotels:**

Holiday Inn Gainesville – University Center, 1250 W. University Ave., Gainesville, FL (352) 376-1661

Hampton Inn and Suites, 101 SE 1<sup>st</sup> Ave, Gainesville, FL 32601, (352) 240-9300

Stayable Select Gainesville, 2900 SW 13th Street, Gainesville, FL 32608, (352) 377-4000

Country Inn and Suites, 4015 SW 43<sup>rd</sup> Street, Gainesville, FL 32608, (352) 375-1550

Traveler's Inn, 3103 NW 13th Street, Gainesville, FL 32608, (352) 372-4319