

# THE SIXTH LONGLEAF ALLIANCE REGIONAL CONFERENCE

November 13-16, 2006

Tifton Campus Conference Center  
The University of Georgia  
Tifton, Georgia

Conference Announcement  
and  
Call for Posters

The Longleaf Alliance  
12130 Dixon Center Road  
Andalusia, AL 36420



## WHERE?

Tifton Conference Center, The University of Georgia, Tifton, GA.

This locale retains a significant portion of the region's remaining longleaf on nearby private lands and quail plantations. In the spirit of the conference theme, Seeing the Forest Through the Trees, this conference will place emphasis on the tree, the understory and the wildlife. Excellent examples of understory restoration will demonstrate the value of native ground cover for wildlife, prescribed fire and non-native invasive plant control.

## CALL FOR POSTERS

The poster sessions will be a very important component of the conference. Two 2-hour periods will be devoted solely to posters. Posters will involve invited and volunteer papers emphasizing specific management and research topics. Selected poster presentations will be invited to give an oral presentation in a plenary session. In addition, organizations involved in longleaf activities are encouraged to present posters describing their overall programs. Abstracts (250 words) for posters are due September 15, 2006. Extended abstracts (3 pages) will be due on October 16, 2006 and compiled in a conference proceeding to be distributed at the conference. Abstracts will be reviewed regarding content and appropriateness to the conference. Authors will be notified of the decision by September 22, 2006. Please address inquiries and send abstracts to:

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## WHAT WILL THIS CONFERENCE EMPHASIZE?

The general sessions and field tour will focus on needs, successes, and opportunities in longleaf pine management for the private and public sectors. The poster sessions and associated socials will be open to a wide range of topics and will be used to foster partnerships between individuals and organizations in the public and private sectors. Emphasis will be placed on addressing economic, understory, silvicultural, ecological, and social/political issues challenging landowners and resource managers interested in the management and restoration of longleaf pine.

## WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

This meeting is open to individuals and organization with interest in longleaf pine and associated plant and animal communities: including private landowners, managers, consultants, conservation groups, university researchers and outreach personnel, forest industry, and agency personnel.

## CONFERENCE HEADQUARTERS

Registration and general and poster sessions will be held at the Tifton Campus Conference Center. A block of rooms has been reserved at the Holiday Inn in Tifton (229.382.6687) for the group rate of \$60 plus tax. Reservations should be made by October 16, 2006 to ensure availability at the conference rate. To receive the group rate, please mention that you are coming to the Longleaf Alliance Conference.

## EXHIBITORS and VENDORS

Please contact Mark Hains at 334.427.1029 or [hains@alaweb.com](mailto:hains@alaweb.com) for information on fees and facilities.

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AGENDA OVERVIEW

**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13**

2:00 - 5:00 pm Registration, Poster and Vendor set-up

5:30 pm Social/Poster session

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14**

7:30 am Registration, Poster and Vendor set-up

Morning General Session - Invited guest speakers and numerous organizations involved with longleaf management, restoration and research in Georgia and N. Florida.

Afternoon Plenary sessions to include wildlife, fire, community restoration, and silviculture & reforestation

Evening Social and poster session

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15**

8:00 am Field tour (*transportation & lunch provided*). Topics: understory restoration and management, invasive plants and their control, natural & artificial regeneration, fire, stand management, quail management, timber values, cultural values, all-age management, pine straw, silvicultural methods and field equipment exhibits.

5:00 - 8:00 pm Social and Dinner (location TBD) - *featuring fine food and music*

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16**

8:00 am Technical presentations on longleaf pine and its ecosystems

9:00 am Plenary session - landowner panels - economic considerations, conservation easements, management issues, and much more.

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**CONFERENCE SPEAKERS WILL CONSIST OF LEADING EXPERTS**

**\*CFE credits have been applied for\***

Post-conference Tour

Friday, November 17 • 9:30 am to 3:00 pm  
Joseph W. Jones Ecological Research Center at Ichauway

Ichauway is the 29,000 acre outdoor laboratory of the Joseph W. Jones Ecological Research Center located in southwest Georgia. Ichauway is a forested island surrounded by large-scale agricultural land use. The site is comprised of extensive longleaf pine forests, slash pine flatwoods, oldfield loblolly pine stands, mixed pine-hardwoods, riparian hardwood hammocks, live oak depressions, isolated depressional wetlands, creek swamps, agricultural fields, shrub-scrub uplands, human cultural zones, and riverine habitats.

The JW Jones Ecological Research Center is located 75 miles from Tifton, GA. It is 35 miles southwest of Albany, GA on GA91.

Cost: \$10/person

***Participants must provide their own transportation to the post-conference tour location.***

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REGISTRATION FORM

Please include information for each person attending the conference.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Title and Organization \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State & Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Registration fees include conference materials, breaks, 2 lunches, 1 dinner, 2 socials, and transportation to the field trip.

<u>Early Fees (postmarked ON/BEFORE October 20, 2006)</u>		Total
Member .....	\$230	_____
Non-member .....	\$280	_____
Student or Spouse .....	\$105	_____

<u>Late Fees (postmarked AFTER October 20, 2006)</u>		
Member .....	\$260	_____
Non-member .....	\$310	_____
Student or Spouse .....	\$135	_____

Post-Conference Tour ..... \$10 \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL AMOUNT DUE \_\_\_\_\_

Send registration form and payment to: The Longleaf Alliance/RDC, P.O. Box 1209, Tifton, GA 31793

Registration by credit card may be faxed to 229.386.3822 or you may also register online at [www.ugatiftonconference.org](http://www.ugatiftonconference.org)

I am paying by:  CHECK (please make payable to *The Longleaf Alliance/RDC*)  
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Purchase Order or Card # \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

*Refund Policy: Cancellations must be made within 14 days of event. A \$50 fee will be assessed for all cancellations. You may make substitutions at any time for no additional charge. For substitutions or cancellations, please call 229.386.3416*