

# Missouri Woodland Steward Short Course Set

**JACKSON, MO.**

**M**U Extension announces a new short course for individuals interested in improving both the trees and wildlife on their property. Madison County Extension has teamed up with natural resource professionals in the area to present, Missouri Woodland Steward, an introductory, five-session course that will help landowners begin to realize their woodland dreams.

Through four indoor sessions, individuals will learn how to “see the forest for the trees”. Participants will understand the process of assessing the timber and wildlife potential of their woodlands. They will also become familiar with some basic principles and practices of forest and wildlife management. The last session will help participants begin synthesizing all of this information into a plan specific to their needs.

The short course will conclude with a field trip to see firsthand some of the practices presented in the indoor sessions. The field trip will also include a visit to an unmanaged woodland where participants will gain experience in assessing the current woodland situation and make recommendations.

This short course is an excellent opportunity to become acquainted with professional foresters and wildlife biologists in your area as well as share ideas and knowledge with other interested landowners.

The short course will be held March 5, 12, 19, and April 2, 2009, from 6:30 to 9:00 p.m. at Mineral Area College in Fredericktown, MO. Registration deadline is February 24, 2009. Enrollment is limited so register early. To register or for more information, please contact the Madison County Extension Center at 783-3303. Δ



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