Forest Stewardship Workshop:  
Invasive Exotic Plants and Their Control

January 11, 2012;  10:00 am – 4:00 pm EST  
Leon County Extension Center  
615 Paul Russell Rd, Tallahassee FL 32301

Some exotic plants are invasive weeds that form expanding populations on our landscape, making management for timber, wildlife and other benefits a challenge. These invasive exotic plants can displace native plants and associated wildlife, and can affect fire and water flow. The rapid and effective dispersal characteristics of these invaders make them extremely difficult to eliminate. This program will describe some of the more common and troublesome invasive exotic plants in northwest Florida and current methods being used to control them.

Agenda:

10:00 am  Sign-in, meet & greet
10:15   Welcome & Introduction, Sheila Dunning, Extension Agent, UF-IFAS Okaloosa County Extension and Chris Demers, Forest Stewardship Coordinator, UF-IFAS School of Forest Resources & Conservation
10:25   Herbicide safety and application techniques, Sheila Dunning
11:15   Break
11:30   How herbicides work: modes of action, selectivity and mobility, Dr. Patrick Minogue, Assistant Professor, UF-IFAS North Florida Research and Education Center
12:20 pm  Local invasive exotic plants & animals and control, Sheila Dunning and Brooke Saari, Extension Agents, UF-IFAS Okaloosa County Extension; Andrew Lee, Biologist, Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission
1:10    Lunch
2:00    Field demonstrations, Stan Rosenthal and Will Sheftall, Extension Agents, UF-IFAS Leon County Extension
4:00    Evaluation and adjourn

Register on-line at http://leonextension2012invasiveplants.eventbrite.com/ please. Workshop fee is $15 without CEUs, or $25 with DOACS Continuing Education Units and/or SAF CFES. If you have no Internet access, reserve a space by contacting Genice Harris at Leon County Extension (850) 606-5202. Space is limited so register early. Please share this announcement with others who may be interested.

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