

**Maryland Sustainable Forestry Council**  
**Agenda, In-person Retreat**  
**Wed., Sep. 1 to Friday, Sep. 3, 2021**  
**Woodmont Lodge, Woodmont Natural Resources Management Area**  
**11761 Woodmont Rd, Hancock, MD 21750**  
<https://dnr.maryland.gov/publiclands/Pages/western/woodmont.aspx>

**Day 1**

12 Lunch

1pm Land Conservation Goals and Partnerships in Maryland- David Lillard, Catoctin Land Trust

1:45 Trends in Forest Stewardship for Climate, Habitat, and Water Quality

- Forest Management for Bird Habitat - Jeff Larkin, Indian University of Pennsylvania/American Bird Conservancy
- Delmarva Woodland Stewards proposal- Anne Hairston-Strang

2:45pm MD Forestry Economic Adjustment Strategy- Dan Rider

- ESG Demand- local renewable products
- Supply Chain management opportunities
- Biomass policies

3:45 Break

4pm SFC Discussion

Actions for forest management to improve forest health, climate, habitat, water, communities

5pm Adjourn

6pm Dinner

**Day 2**

7:30 Breakfast

8:45 Tree Canopy and Forest Assessments- Iris Allen

9:30 2017/2018 Tree Canopy Draft data and forest loss trends- Rachel Soobitsky

10 Break

10:15 Regional Tree Canopy Assessment by Zoning Category and Tree Planting Opportunity – Iris Allen

10:45 Forestry Technical Study status and early products, FCA data, mitigation banking prices, tree planting programs and costs

11:15 Tree Planting Opportunity Assessment- Iris Allen

11:30 SFC Discussion

Needs for tracking, particularly for tree planting and consideration of forest management in loss

12:30 Lunch

1:30 5 Million Trees- Opportunities for Equity- Anne

- HB 991 Overview

2:15 Leveraging Investments and Partnerships (10 minute break at 3:30)

- Discussion of DHCD Community Needs Assessments
- Climate Resilience Mapping- Coastal, Stormwater, Urban Heat Island - Anne
- Infrastructure opportunities- FEMA BRIC, federal infrastructure investments
- MDE Forestry Financing and Investment Tool for MS4 permit planning

[https://mde.maryland.gov/programs/Water/TMDL/DataCenter/Documents/MDFFIT/MD\\_FFIT\\_User\\_Guide\\_ver1.0\\_15Jun2021.pdf](https://mde.maryland.gov/programs/Water/TMDL/DataCenter/Documents/MDFFIT/MD_FFIT_User_Guide_ver1.0_15Jun2021.pdf)

4:15 Discussion on opportunities for community engagement and tree equity

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6:30 Dinner

### **Day 3: SFC Priorities, Partnerships, and Capacity-building**

7:30 Breakfast

8:45 SFC action suggestions

(State Forest Action Plan available as resource)

9:45 SFC suggestions for partnerships and capacity-building in MFS

10:45 Break

11 Priority-setting for Short, Medium, and Long-term Priorities

11:45 Summary and wrap-up, next meeting planning

12 Adjourn and lunch