



Outstanding Tree Farm Field Day Set for September 11th

Phillip and Norleine Power, in partnership with the Texas Forestry Association will host a Field Day and Forestry Tour at their Tree Farm located in Cherokee County, Texas, on Saturday, September 11, 2010.

Located at 2244 FM 1857 south of Rusk, the Tree Farm consists of 135 acres of pine and hardwood trees. The objectives for management are to enhance the forest for timber production, wildlife and recreation, while taking into account water quality and aesthetics.

Philip Power is a third generation Tree Farmer having owned the Tree Farm since 2003. His father and grandfather owned the land before him. The land became a certified Tree Farm in 1977. Power's management plan includes fire lanes, routine selective thinning and streamside management zones.

Each year, landowners, natural resource managers and conservationists gather at the year's Outstanding Tree Farm to celebrate forest stewardship, take part in educational workshops and recognize individuals for promoting and practicing good forestry. This year's event will include a woods tour where speakers will address management techniques including prescribed burning, pond management and streamside management zones, as well as a look at the uniqueness of a stand of black walnut trees.

Keynote speakers during lunch will be State Representative Chuck Hopson (District 11) and State Director of the Texas Forest Service, Tom Boggus.

The field day and lunch are FREE, but we do ask that you **RSVP** by contacting Texas Forestry Association at (936) 632-TREE or by leaving your name, address, telephone no. and the number of people attending on voicemail at 1-866-TXTREES, or email tfa@texasforestry.org. Continuing education opportunities for loggers and foresters will be offered for this event.

Registration will begin at 9:00am and the event will end after lunch. Transportation during the tour will be provided. Be sure to wear comfortable walking shoes and clothing suitable for outdoors.

