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Forest Carbon Workshop for Small Landowners December 4

WATERTOWN, NEW YORK – A forest carbon workshop will be held on Monday, December 4 at the Boonville Town Hall with an online option as well. The workshop targets landowners in the Tug Hill region that own at least 30 acres of forest land with timber harvest rights. Attendees will learn about the forest carbon market broadly, and about the Family Forest Carbon Program (FFCP) and how the program might apply to them and enhance their forest management goals.

The FFCP is one of a few recently developed forest carbon programs that allow smaller acreage forest owners, who have been sized out of the carbon market in the past, to access forest carbon programs. Benefits of the program include guaranteed annual payments over the life of the contract, access to team of professional foresters or the ability to work with your own trusted forester, a forest management plan customized for your unique goals or updates to your existing forest management plan, and guidance to improve the health of your woods, create habitat for wildlife, and treat invasive species.

The workshop will feature speakers from The Nature Conservancy and the American Forestry Foundation, who will explain the forest carbon credit system and the FFCP. The director of the Jefferson County Soil and Water Conservation District will also share the district's experience as a local partner in the FFCP, helping to bring the program to eligible local landowners.

The workshop will be held in a hybrid format at 6 p.m. on Monday December 4, 2023. The in person event will be at the Boonville Town Hall, 13149 NY-12, Boonville, NY 13309. All interested parties should register at tinyurl.com/ForestCarbonCredit and a Zoom link will automatically be sent to those interested in attending virtually. Please call 315-785-2380 with any questions.

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