

**TOP Initial Training Agenda**  
**SC Forestry Commission, 5500 Broad River Road, Columbia SC**  
**March 16, 2023**

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<b>Registration/Check-In</b>	8:00 – 8:30
<b>Welcome and Elements of Forest Resource Conservation</b> <i>Guy Sabin, Forestry Association of SC, Vice President</i> <i>FASC or TOP Committee Representative</i> 6.2.1.a – Sustainable forestry principles	8:30 – 9:30
<b>SC Best Management Practices for Forestry/ Wildlife and Biodiversity in Forest Management</b> <i>Holly Welch, SC Forestry Commission, Environmental Program Manager</i> 6.2.1.b – BMPs, SMZs, roads; 6.2.1.c – ESA, FECV, biodiversity and habitat	9:30 – 11:30
<b>BREAK</b> Included in BMP section ~10:30	
<b>Introduction to the Sustainable Forestry Initiative</b> <i>Jamey Hollis, New-Indy Catawba</i> 6.2.1.a – Sustainable Forestry principles, SFI program	11:30 – 12:00
<b>LUNCH</b>	12:00 – 12:30
<b>Employment Rules</b> <i>Guy Sabin, Forestry Association of SC</i> 6.2.1.e – Wage and hour rules, state and local employment laws	12:30 – 1:00
<b>Safety and OSHA Regulations</b> <i>Phillip Sligh, Forestry Mutual</i> 6.2.1.d – Logging safety; 6.2.1.e – OSHA regulations	1:00 – 1:45
<b>BREAK</b>	1:45 – 2:00
<b>Trucking and Transportation Issues for Forestry</b> <i>Sgt. John Harter, SC State Transport Police</i> 6.2.2.c – Transportation issues (continuing education)	2:00 – 2:45
<b>Timber Security and Forestry Laws</b> <i>Jonathan Calore, SC Forestry Commission</i> 6.2.2.d – Business management (continuing education)	2:45 – 3:30
<b>Advocacy – Public Policy &amp; Outreach</b> <i>Crad Jaynes, SC Timber Producers Association, President</i> 6.2.2.e – Public Policy and outreach (continuing education)	3:30 – 4:15
<b>Wrap Up and Closing Remarks</b> <i>Guy Sabin, Forestry Association of SC, Vice President</i>	4:15 – 4:30