



# *Green Infrastructure Forum*

## **Waste Wood Utilization Workshop**

*Presentations by Pioneers and Practitioners in the Field*

*Hosted by COG's Community Forestry Network (CFN)  
Sponsored by the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments  
DC Cooperative Extension Service / University of the District of Columbia  
and the  
National Park Service*

**Wednesday June 28th, 2006**

**10:00 to 4:00 p.m.**

**Training Center - 1st Floor Meeting Rooms at COG**

*Lunch will be provided for all attendees*

### **Agenda**

**10:00 - Call to order - Brian LeCouteur - COG / Todd Bolton, VDOT / CFN Chair**

**10:10. - Professor Tony Mucciardi - Tree Radar Inc.** The TRU™ (Tree Radar Unit) system is a novel application of ground-penetrating radar that was developed and patented (in 2003) by TreeRadar, Inc. of Silver Spring, Maryland. TRU is a non-invasive system that uses electromagnetic radar waves to inspect a tree trunk at multiple elevations and produces a high-resolution cross-sectional image of each elevation scanned - "virtual saw cut".

**10:55 - John Thomas - Acting Urban Forester - DC Urban Forestry Administration -** John will present some of the Districts efforts to manage "waste wood" and the difficulties in finding land for woody debris management in a highly competitive real estate market amid legal issues and zoning concerns.

**11:30 - CITILOG - Stubby Warmbold -** CITILOG is a nonprofit organization that turns urban waste wood into useable products and trains and employs urban youth enabling them with woodworking skills.

**12:15 - Lunch**

**12:45 - Chris Holmgren - Seneca Creek Joinery (opening Remarks by Troyt York of the American Institute of Urban and Regional Affairs)** Seneca Creek Joinery takes logs from the stump to finished furniture, cabinetry and millwork. A vertically integrated business, Seneca Creek also offers custom sawmilling and drying of lumber.

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**1:15 - Kevin John Richardson - Pogo Organics Tree Experts** performs Preservation, Restoration and Removal. Mr. Richardson's presentation will focus on the processing of wood waste into products which have value as plant and land management tools. Pogo Organics extracts Beneficial Microorganisms from high quality compost into solution so that they may be applied as a liquid to soil and plant surfaces. This product is commonly referred to as "Compost Tea".

**2:00 - Dan Rider - MDNR Forest Service - Forest Products Utilization & Marketing**  
Mr. Rider will briefly discuss several recent, current, and future projects of the Maryland Forest Service enhancing forest stewardship and improving wood utilization. He will discuss the marketing challenges of portable sawmills, the Working Woodlot Initiative, wood-to-energy opportunities, identifying new markets for wood waste, a new market with poultry bedding, and the Baltimore-Washington Forest Stewardship Partnership.

**2:45 - Al Steele - U.S. Forest Service** - Mr. Steele works with the Wood Education and Resource Center for the U.S. Forest Service. He will discuss examples of successful demonstration projects and efforts by the Forest Service to encourage better utilization of urban wastes through partnerships with state/local governments, the private sector, NGO's and others.

**3:30 - Donald Outen, Natural Resource Manager, Baltimore County** - Don will describe Baltimore County's efforts to fully implement a county-wide forest sustainability strategy.

**3:45 - Workshop Summary and Survey** - *Brian LeCouteur - COG*

**4:00 - Future Activities / Adjourn**