



# EAB & BEYOND: FINDING VALUE IN URBAN TREES

*A conference to showcase opportunities for communities and industries in recycling urban forest residues*

**May 23-24, 2007**

Weber's Inn ♦ 3050 Jackson Road ♦ Ann Arbor, MI

## WHO SHOULD ATTEND

Community leaders, urban foresters, wood industries, resource professionals, conservation organizations, & other interested groups.

## WHEN/WHERE

May 23, 2007 - 8:00 - 5:00  
Presentations at Weber's Inn

May 24, 2007 - 8:30 - 4:30  
Tour - urban wood processing & retail, utilization field skills

## WHY TO ATTEND

Many efforts have taken place in Michigan to find more value in ash and other dead urban trees. This conference will give participants an opportunity to learn more about wood utilization options for municipalities and industries by providing in-depth discussion on successful uses, markets, technology, regulatory issues, and planning.

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## WEDNESDAY, MAY 23, 2007 - MORNING GENERAL SESSION

- 8:00 - 8:15 **Welcome**  
Morse Brown, Chairman - SE Michigan RC&D Council  
Donna LaCourt, State Forester - Michigan DNR
- 8:15 - 9:00 **Setting the Stage: Urban Wood Utilization, a National Perspective**  
Steve Bratkovich, USDA Forest Service
- 9:15 - 10:15 **Opportunities for Industry - Panel Discussion/Q&A**  
Dan LaMont, LaMont Brothers Tree Service; Ted Barrett, CMS Energy; Judd Hart, J.H. Hart Urban Forestry; & Todd Burtscher, Pallet and Container Corp. of America
- 10:15 - 10:45 **Break with Exhibitors**
- 10:45 - 11:45 **Opportunities for Communities - Panel Discussion/Q&A**  
John Giarmo, City of Monroe; Brian Coulter, City of Grosse Pointe Park; Cory Lavigne, Van-Tine Guthrie Studio; & Mike Hommel, UM Nichols Arboretum & Matthaei Botanical Gardens
- 11:45 - 1:15 **Lunch & Showcase of Artist Perspectives on Ash/Urban Wood**  
John Pigeon, Basketmaker & Dave Gendler, Artist and Woodworker

## WEDNESDAY, MAY 23, 2007 - AFTERNOON CONCURRENT SESSIONS

	Availability, Technology, & Markets	Developing Wood Use Programs
1:30 - 2:15	<b>Urban Wood Resource Inventory</b> Sam Sherrill, Harvesting Urban Timber	<b>Technical Issues - Industry</b> Anthony Weatherspoon, MDNR
2:15 - 3:00	<b>Urban Wood Resource Inventory</b> Dave MacFarlane, MSU Forestry	<b>Technical Issues - Communities</b> Jessica Simons, SE MI RC&D
3:00 - 3:30	<b>Break with Exhibitors</b>	<b>Break with Exhibitors</b>
3:30 - 4:15	<b>Advancements in Research</b> Pascal Nzokou, MSU Forestry	<b>Regulatory Issues</b> APHIS & MI Dept. of Agriculture
4:15 - 5:00	<b>Green Markets</b> Jason Bing, Recycle Ann Arbor	<b>Woody Biomass Energy</b> Larry Klope, Messersmith

## THURSDAY, MAY 24, 2007 - OPTIONAL WOOD UTILIZATION BUS TOUR

- 8:30 - 4:30 Recycle Ann Arbor's UrbanWood retail operation & ash wood floor

Field skills demonstrations: incorporating utilization into an urban tree inventory, evaluating trees for marketing, and basic timber grading  
*(Instructors: Dave MacFarlane & Anthony Weatherspoon)*

LaMont Brothers' Tree Service wood recovery facility

*Note: Space on the tour is limited, so be sure to reserve a spot quickly.*



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### REGISTRATION FORM

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Special dietary needs: \_\_\_\_\_

- I am attending on May 23<sup>rd</sup> only (\$50.00)
- I am attending on May 24<sup>th</sup> only (\$30.00)
- I am attending both days. (\$75.00)

Total amount enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

*We are sorry that we are unable to accept credit card payments. Payment by check is preferred.*

Please register by Wednesday, May 16, 2007, to reserve your space for the conference and tour.

Registration for workshops on Wednesday, May 23, 2007, includes continental breakfast, buffet lunch, refreshments, conference materials, and admission into the conference.

Registration for the tour on Thursday, May 25, 2007, includes roundtrip coach bus transportation from Weber's Inn to tour locations and lunch.

Hotel reservations should be made by contacting Weber's Inn directly at 1-800-443-3050. Reduced rates may be available at a rate of \$89.00/night. Ask for group SOUTH022807.

### QUESTIONS?

For more information about the conference, please contact the Southeast Michigan RC&D Council at 734-761-6722 x 105.

### REGISTRATION INFORMATION

To secure a space immediately, please contact the Southeast Michigan RC&D by phone, fax, or e-mail:

Phone: (734) 761-6722 x 105

Fax: (734) 662-1686

E-Mail: [jessica.simons@semircd.org](mailto:jessica.simons@semircd.org)

The registration payment (along with the form at left) should follow by regular mail. For multiple attendees, please copy extra forms.

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Please make checks payable to the Southeast Michigan RC&D Council.

