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A Conversation on Conversions

Wednesday, October 22, 2014 • 10:00AM - 2:00PM

USDA Forest Service, Region 2 Headquarters

740 Simms St. • Golden, CO 80401

OVERVIEW

The Second Annual National Bioenergy Day is a nationwide day of advocacy for using biomass, including forest biomass, to generate energy for projects ranging from large-scale utilities to home heating stoves. This particular event will be “**A Conversation on Conversions**,” where the focus is on how to convert small-to-district-scale opportunities from using fossil fuels to using forest biomass to provide heat. By the end of the event, you will:

- understand some of the benefits of using forest biomass to provide heat,
- how and why forest biomass was is currently used in some long-standing, successful regional examples to lower heating costs while improving forest health at the same time, and
- what resources are (and will be) available to assist you with your own conversions.

This event is FREE and OPEN TO THE PUBLIC. Light refreshments and coffee will be served prior to 10AM. A catered sandwich lunch will be provided. If you have any special dietary needs, please indicate so when you RSVP.

To RSVP, please contact Dr. Mike Eckhoff at mike.eckhoff@colostate.edu or 970-219-2140 by noon on Tuesday, October 21, 2014. Society of American Foresters CFEs will be available.

LOCATION

The facility is located near the intersection of 6th Avenue and Simms St., just north of the Denver Federal Center. Please park in the lot in front (west) of the brick building but not in the marked 1-hour visitor spots. Please be sure to arrive well before 10AM and **please bring a photo ID for check-in.**

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Agenda

- 10:00 **Opening Remarks** - Bill Bass, Acting Deputy Regional Forester, USDA Forest Service
Bioenergy 101 - Dr. Mike Eckhoff, Regional Biomass Coordinator, USDA Forest Service
- 10:30 **The Salvation Army Camp near Estes Park, Colorado, and Other Projects**
Dr. Kurt Mackes, Associate Professor, Colorado State University
- 11:00 **Mountain Park Environmental Center in Beulah, Colorado**
Dave Van Maren, Executive Director
- 11:30 **Gilpin County Road and Bridge Facility near Black Hawk, Colorado**
Bill Paulman, Facilities Manager
- 12:00 **Lunch**
(Free, catered sandwiches, chips, water and iced tea)
- 12:30 **Boulder County Parks and Open Space Biomass Boiler in Longmont, Colorado**
DVD: Cashing in the Chips
- 01:00 **Biomass Boiler at Colorado State University's Foothills Campus in Fort Collins, Colorado**
Carol Dollard, P.E., CWP, LEED AP; Energy Engineer
- 01:30 **Available Resources to Assist with Converting to Forest Bioenergy**
Dr. Mike Eckhoff, Regional Biomass Coordinator, USDA Forest Service
- 02:00 **Closing Remarks / Survey**

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