





BOG TURTLE BIOLOGY & HABITAT ASSESSMENT TRAINING

Presented by the New York State Wetlands Forum in Cooperation with the United States Fish & Wildlife Service and

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation.

May 14 and 15, 2014

9am - 5pm

Millbrook, NY

This training will focus on identifying bog turtle habitat using the criteria and techniques in the USFWS *Recovery Plan for the Bog Turtle (Glyptemys muhlenbergii) Northern Population.*Attendees will gain knowledge of bog turtle life history, habitat, and state and federal requirements. This will provide introductory experience in identifying bog turtle habitat.

General Agenda

- Overview of status and natural history
- Agency insight
- USFWS Phase I Habitat Assessment Datasheets (New 2014)
- Detailed discussion of habitat components and variability
- Review of Phase 1 survey requirements, criteria and techniques
- Field trips visit local wetlands to assess habitat
- Summary and discussion of study design, habitat analysis and search efforts

The workshop fee is \$340 and will include the workshop instruction, breakfast and lunch on both days, course handouts, and reprints. Class will be limited to 20 participants due to training facility restrictions. Please register by emailing or calling Dave MacDougall of the NYSWF Training Committee at dwmacdougall@yahoo.com or 845-616-9990. **Preference will be given to NYSWF members,** and participants will be added to the list on a *first come first served* basis. Once you receive confirmation from Dave that you are on the participation list, your registration can be completed by sending the workshop fee by check or purchase order (made out to NYS Wetlands Forum, Inc.) to NYSWF, P.O. Box 1351, Latham, NY 12110 by April 15, 2014. You risk losing your seat if payment is not received by this date. Only 2 participants will be allowed per organization. A wait list will be established to fill seats if they become available.