



Joint meeting of the
North Carolina Sandhills Conservation Partnership
Greater Uwharries Conservation Partnership
North Carolina Longleaf Coalition

Wednesday, June 12, 2024

Quarterly Meeting Agenda

Uwharrie Corridor Initiative

9:30-11:30 AM Optional field trip to view Uwharrie longleaf habitat and discuss strategy for re-establishing fire-managed pine habitat and species; Pleasant Grove Church stand on Uwharrie National Forest. Meet on Pleasant Grove Church Road about ½ mile south of Pekin Rd, about 8 miles south of the town of Troy: <https://maps.app.goo.gl/FoKPmkrscdFmU3ncA>.

11:30 AM- 1:00 PM 42 minute drive to Carthage and lunch on your own

1:00-4:30 PM, Joint partnership meeting at N.C. Cooperative Extension - Moore County Center 707 Pinehurst Ave, Carthage, NC 28327 <https://maps.app.goo.gl/d9uWM4KjKSmcrHdg7>

Zoom option available: <https://tnc.zoom.us/j/92412579900>; Meeting ID: 924 1257 9900

- 1:00 Welcome & introductions
- 1:15 Sandhills Conservation Partnership Working group updates
- 1:25 Greater Uwharries Conservation Partnership updates- *John Langdon, USFS*
- 1:35 NC Longleaf Coalition updates- *Susan Miller, USFS*
- 1:45 Amending Landscaping, Tree Protection, and Open Space Standards in Southern Pines– *Alaina Mallette, Town of Southern Pines Senior Planner*
- 2:00 Background on Uwharrie Corridor project- why here, why now? – *Jeff Marcus, TNC*
- 2:15 Joint Chiefs and National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Funding to Implement Uwharrie Corridor – *John Langdon, USFS*
- 2:25 Habitat Connectivity and Landscape Ecology- How Do You Link Landscapes? – *Dr. Dean Urban, Duke University*

- 2:55 15 minute break
- 3:10 Private Lands Efforts Under Joint Chiefs- what's working, where are the needs and opportunities? – *Jake Comer, QF*
- 3:25 Ember Alliance Shared Burn Crew- how does it work, what impact is it having?- *Mark Bost, TRLT and Matt Buice, TEA*
- 3:40 Group Discussion- next phase of Uwharrie Corridor project- *All*
- 3:55 EPA Air Quality sensors- *Carmella Stirrat, TNC*
- 4:05 Partner Updates- *All*
- 4:30 Adjourn
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**Next meeting of NC Sandhills Conservation Partnership:
Wednesday, September 11, 2024, 1-4:30pm**

**Next meeting of NC Longleaf Coalition:
Wednesday, August 7, 2024**