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## **Allegheny National Forest Hosting Stewardship Contracting Workshop**

**Warren, Pa.** (May 12, 2015) – The Allegheny National Forest is hosting a Stewardship Contracting workshop on June 4, 2015. “This workshop will provide an overview about what stewardship contracting is and examples of service work items, such as aquatic organism passage, reforestation, wildlife habitat improvement and non-native invasive plant treatment,” said April Moore, ANF workshop coordinator.

The workshop will be held from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and will consist of 2.5 hours of classroom presentations and 2.5 hours of field discussion at selected field sites. Participants will meet at the University of Pittsburgh at Bradford, Frame Westerburg Commons Building, Bradford, PA. The entrance is located at the intersection of Dorothy Lane and West Washington Streets. Parking is available next to the Commons. Participants should dress for the weather as the workshop will be held rain or shine.

For more information or to make a reservation, contact April Moore at [amoore02@fs.fed.us](mailto:amoore02@fs.fed.us) or call 814.363.6069. Reservation deadline is May 22, 2015. Information about stewardship contracting can be found at [http://www.fs.fed.us/restoration/Stewardship\\_Contracting/](http://www.fs.fed.us/restoration/Stewardship_Contracting/).

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