

NATIVE SEED COLLECTION WORKSHOP FOR RESTORATION AND CONSERVATION

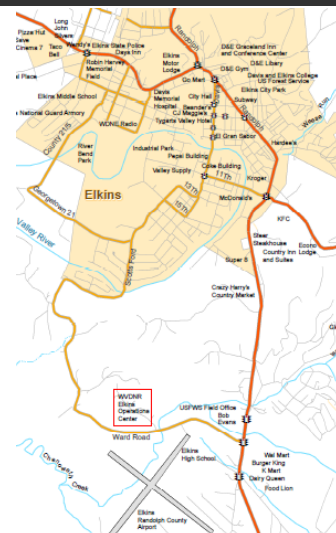


August 2, 2013
8 AM - 3PM

LOCATION: West Virginia Division of Natural Resources, Elkins Operations Center, Ward Road

DIRECTIONS: The DNR office is on Ward Road, .8 miles from RTE 219 and 1.7 miles south of the intersection of RTE 33 and RTE 219 on RTE 219.

PLEASE BRING: Plenty of water, lunch, sun protection, bug repellent, appropriate outdoor clothing, and a field notebook.



PLEASE RSVP

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Native seed collection is imperative for the preservation, conservation and reclamation of plant communities in decline. The loss of species diversity in plant communities can have negative repercussions on local pollinator and animal populations. MARS-B is a new effort to collect native early-successional plant species for long-term storage and native plant materials development. This is MARS-B's second year making native seed collections for the entire mid-Atlantic region.

We invite you to participate in our first Native Seed Collection Workshop in West Virginia, August 2nd. The participants of this workshop will be trained in the National Seeds of Success (SOS) Collection Protocol, the official native seed collection program for the United States. The knowledge you gain will prepare you to make native seed collections for MARS-B and the National SOS Program. The seed that you collect will be made available for regional restoration efforts. We hope that all participants continue to work with MARS-B in various capacities: as volunteers and both full and part-time paid native seed collectors.

This training is your opportunity to become involved in an unique and exciting regional seed collection network. We are eager to create permanent relationships with botanists and naturalists interested in native seed collection. We hope to see you August 2nd!

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