



All Clackamas Christmas tree growers:

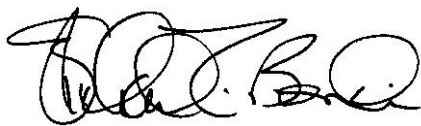
The Oregon State University Extension Service in Clackamas County, in conjunction with the Clackamas County Farm Forestry Association, is hosting two upcoming events for your information. Please plan to participate, if interested. Both events are free and open to anyone. If you have questions, contact the OSU Extension office in Oregon City at 503-655-8631. See below for details.

Also, if there are any growers interested in participating in our annual **Christmas Tree program focus group** in preparation for Tree School 2012, contact the Extension office. The focus group brings together 8-12 growers and industry representatives to identify class topics for the coming year's Tree School program and potential presenters. The success of Tree School for the past 20+ years is the result of the support of growers and industry representatives like you. We appreciate your continued help.

Upcoming Christmas Tree Educational Events...

First, **Christmas tree culturing** will be the topic of a field demonstration on **Wednesday, August 3, from 6:30 pm to dark**. The event will be held at Irv Wettlaufer's Timbergrove Ranch, 20891 S Olsen Road, Beaver Creek. The class will cover shearing and top working practices for Douglas-fir, grand fir, and noble fir. OSU statewide Christmas Tree Extension Specialist, Chal Landgren, will share the latest research and methods. Also, innovative farm equipment used at Timbergrove will be shown and demonstrated.

Second, a **Christmas tree grading and measuring clinic** will be held on **Tuesday, August 30, from 6:30pm-dark**. The event will be held at Fred Crowe's tree farm at 19650 S Fishers Mill Road, Oregon City. This class will cover the principles of how Christmas trees are graded and measured in the field, the USDA grading standards, and common practices used by Christmas tree growers when marketing trees.



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