A PROGRAM CO-SPONSORED BY THE JACKSON/JOSEPHINE SMALL WOODLANDS ASSOCIATION AND OSU EXTENSION:

Climate Variation, Fire History and Forest Habitat Development in Southwest Oregon

Thursday, April 15, 2010 7 PM
OSU Extension, 569 Hanley Rd, Central Point

Historically, fire has been a common forest disturbance in southwest Oregon, reshaping the forest landscape with every event. In the characteristically dry forests of this area, old-growth stands not only survived frequent fire, but may be a result of it. This session will explore the frequency and intensity of historic fires, the role of climate variation, and how fire influenced the development and species composition of forest stands throughout southern Oregon. Tom’s presentation will include a unique look at the geophysics of fire – you’ll never think about wildfire in the same way again!

Speaker: Tom Sensenig, Area Ecologist, US Forest Service / Bureau of Land Management. Tom’s background is in forest ecology and silviculture. His doctoral research is the most comprehensive study of fire history in southwest Oregon completed to date. Tom is also a small woodland owner.

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