



The Eastern Region of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service is pleased to announce an upcoming webinar series “Changing Landscapes: Land Use Planning Curriculum.” **Five, 45-minute webinars with associated case studies, followed by 15-minute discussions, and a 1-hour open discussion to end the series are planned.** This series builds on the 2015 online publication Changing Landscapes: Land Use Planning Curriculum for Natural Resource Professionals and its associated [21 factsheets](#) (click on "Name" to sort the factsheets by number).

Webinar content includes the history of planning, policies that direct planning, essential collaborative and conflict resolution skills, and how regulatory and non-regulatory tools are used.

The training is targeted at anyone interested in the planning process who hopes to become more familiar with its many aspects and uses. It’s meant to improve the skill set of those who are not versed in planning, are interested in how planning tools can be used to protect natural resources, and who aspire to encourage green investment when development occurs, rather than after it occurs.

Attendance will better position participants to engage earlier, more often, and with a greater understanding of how their expertise can be a voice in justifiable science-based planning. An increased understanding of planning will help build confidence in those engaging in planning decisions that impact their homes, communities, cities, and all the places they care about.

Land use planning experts from the Northeast, Mid-Atlantic, and Midwestern United States wrote the factsheets, which were developed to be applicable across the U.S. and its territories.



### Registration is Free!

You must register for each day.

#### Registration Links:

- **Tuesday, April 20** — [https://usfs.adobeconnect.com/clregistration\\_042021/event/event\\_info.html](https://usfs.adobeconnect.com/clregistration_042021/event/event_info.html)
- **Wednesday, April 21** — [https://usfs.adobeconnect.com/clregistration\\_042121/event/event\\_info.html](https://usfs.adobeconnect.com/clregistration_042121/event/event_info.html)

Once registered, you will receive an Outlook invitation with the ADOBE Connect Link for each day of the webinar series.

This webinar has been approved for 5 ISA CEUs. SAF, ASLA, APA CEUs must be submitted individually and are at the discretion of the provider.

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### Changing Landscapes Webinar Series Schedule

#### Tuesday, April 20, 2021 (EDT)

- 9:00 to 10:00 am - Changing Landscapes Curriculum; An Overview
- 10:00 to 11:00 am - Principles, People, and Policies
- 11:00 to 11:15 am - Break
- 11:15 to 12:15 pm - Land Planning and Pressures

#### Wednesday, April 21, 2021 (EDT)

- 9:00 to 10:00 am - Approaches
- 10:00 to 11:00 am - Natural Resource Planning Tools
- Open Discussion Hour - All are invited to attend.

This webinar series was developed by Laurie Brown, Conservation Ecologist, and Becca Pruett, Landscape Designer, Vireo. Vireo is an award-winning, LEED-certified landscape architecture, environmental and land use planning, and design consulting firm based in Kansas City, MO, and Omaha, NE.

The promotional video “Changing Landscapes: A Land Use Planning Curriculum for Natural Resource Professionals” is a production of Porterfield Films, State College, PA, with editing by William Elmendorf, Ph.D. Professor and Ibberson Chair in Community Forestry, Penn State University, State College, PA.