Register today for a unique opportunity to explore and discuss working lands conservation. This FREE webinar will educate landowners and natural resource professionals on working lands conservation programs intended to benefit wildlife species and promote forest diversity. Continuing credits available for those who attend. The event will start with an overview of historical natural disturbances to forests in the Central Hardwood Region of the US. We will look more closely at current research examining breeding bird responses to natural and silvicultural disturbances, as well as how management can be applied through federal programs on private lands.

AGENDA

- Background on current collaborations and RGS Working Forest Model

10:45 - 11:30 AM: Dr. Katie Greenberg, Research Ecologist, Bent Creek Experimental Forest
- Overview on historical Natural Disturbances in the Southern Appalachians and Central Hardwood Region
- Breeding Bird Response to Natural and Silvicultural Disturbances in the Southern Appalachians

11:30 – 11:40 AM: Break

11:40 – 12:30 PM: Dr. Jeffrey Larkin, Indiana University of Pennsylvania and American Bird Conservancy
- Overview on research demonstrating the importance of dynamic forest management for reversing the declines of imperiled wildlife
- Examples of programs and partnerships that assist with wildlife management on a landscape scale: WLFW and NFWF: Central Appalachian Habitat Stewardship Program; cover implementation to monitoring results.

12:30 – 12:50 PM: Working Lands for Wildlife, Charles Faires, RGS & AWS
- Provide background on Working Lands for Wildlife in North Carolina
- Overview on working lands and forest management as a vehicle for golden-winged warbler and wildlife management

12:50 – 1 PM: Break

1 – 1:30 PM: Panel Discussion with State and Federal Partners
Event partners: