

## Ohio River Valley Woodlands and Wildlife Workshop

Kentucky is the host state for the 2020 Ohio River Valley Woodlands and Wildlife Workshop (ORVWWW) which will be held on March 28, 2020, at the Boone County Enrichment Center in Burlington, KY. This annual workshop is designed to provide woodland owners with forestry and wildlife related educational opportunities. The workshop features forestry and wildlife experts from Indiana, Kentucky and Ohio who will address the questions and concerns that you have with the management of your

property. Topics for the 2020 ORVWWW include sessions on the myths about herbicides, tree identification, maple syrup potential, snake identification, managing pollinators, and more. Visit <http://tristatewoods.ca.uky.edu/> for more information or call 859.257.7597.



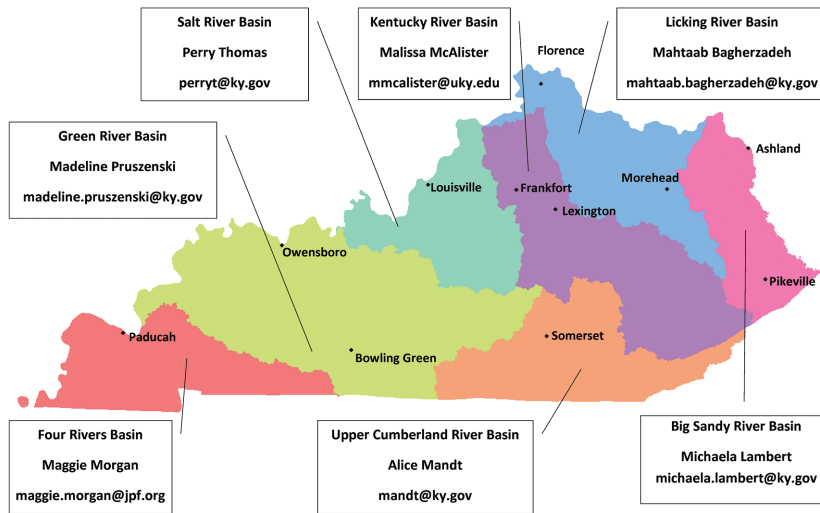
## Get Involved in Your Watershed

by Michaela Lambert, Big Sandy River Basin Coordinator

Kentucky is divided into 7 major river basins (watersheds), each of which has an assigned Basin Coordinator, affiliated with the Kentucky Division of Water (DOW). A major goal of the Basin Coordinators is to organize and lead a Basin

Team to facilitate communication and coordinate efforts among stakeholders working towards achieving better water quality in their basin. The Basin Coordinator makes sure that lines of communication are open and active (ex. meetings, newsletters, workshops), finding ways to provide professional development opportunities to basin team members by inviting relevant speakers, and also bringing information about what resources the Division of Water has to offer. In addition, Basin Coordinators help stakeholders plan for and manage grants within their basins. These grants are for watershed plan writing and implementation of Best Management Practices (BMPs) such as septic repair and replacement, assistance with connecting to sewer utility lines, rain garden installation, riparian buffer restoration, fencing livestock out of streams, and

### Kentucky Basin Coordinators



many more to improve and protect water quality. To learn more about the projects within your basin, watershed planning grants, or to participate in your local basin team, please contact your basin coordinator (see map) or call 502.564.3410.

## Upcoming Dates To Remember:

| 2020 Dates:                   | Event:  | Location:                      | Contact:  |
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| Feb. 1                        | Kentucky Maple Day                            | Various locations              | <a href="https://forestry.ca.uky.edu/ky-maplesyrup">https://forestry.ca.uky.edu/ky-maplesyrup</a> |
| Feb. 6, 13, 20, 27<br>March 5 | Getting To Know Your Woodlands Webinar Series | Webinar Series via web         | <a href="http://www.ukforestry.org">www.ukforestry.org</a>  |
| March 24-25                   | KY Woodland Owners Assoc. Annual Meeting      | Lake Cumberland Resort Park    | <a href="http://www.kwoa.net">www.kwoa.net</a>  |
| March 28                      | Ohio River Valley Woods and Wildlife Workshop | Boone County Enrichment Center | <a href="http://www.tristatewoods.org">www.tristatewoods.org</a><br>or 859.257.7597               |

# NEWS TO USE

## Getting to Know Your Woodland Webinar Series: Next Steps

UK Forestry and Natural Resources Extension is teaming up again with universities around the region to offer the next round of the Getting to Know Your Woodland Webinar Series. This all-new webinar series will be hosted live by participating County Extension Offices. This 5-part webinar series will take place on February 6, 13, 20, 27 and March 5, 2020 and cover the following topics: “Woodland Management: What is Right for You and Your Woodland?”; “Understanding the Financial Aspects of Woodland Management”; “More than Timber: Income Opportunities

from Non-timber Forest Products”; “Launching your Woodland Legacy: Intact, In Forest and In Family Ownership”; and “Kentucky Forestry and Wildlife Assistance”. For more information and to find the nearest hosting location please visit [http://forestry.ca.uky.edu/webinars\\_upcoming](http://forestry.ca.uky.edu/webinars_upcoming).



## Kentucky Maple Day Set for February 1, 2020



The Kentucky Maple Syrup Association (KMSA) and the University of Kentucky Cooperative Extension Service have organized the first Kentucky Maple Day on Feb. 1, 2020. Kentucky has a growing maple syrup industry and the Kentucky Maple Day is an excellent opportunity for you and your family to visit a maple syrup operation in Kentucky and purchase maple syrup and other maple related products. To find the closest participating maple syrup operation please visit <https://forestry.ca.uky.edu/ky-maplesyrup>

## Maple Syrup Research Program Launched

The University of Kentucky Department of Forestry and Natural Resources has created a Kentucky Maple Syrup Research Program to help maple syrup producers in Kentucky. This research program, supported by grants from the Kentucky Natural Resources Conservation Service, is investigating statewide maple syrup production potential, economic contribution, on-farm cost-benefit analysis, and biological

assessments of site and tree factors affecting maple sap volume production and sugar content. To be successful, this research must work closely with Kentucky maple syrup producers to collect the critical data needed. To be involved with this research please contact Billy Thomas at [billy.thomas@uky.edu](mailto:billy.thomas@uky.edu) or 859.257.9153.



## Have you listened to From the Woods Kentucky Podcasts Recently

Hopefully, you have had a chance to listen to some of the podcasts being produced by UK Forestry and Natural Resources employees René Williams and Laura Lhotka. Each week René and Laura interview people connected to forestry, wildlife, and natural resources that should be of interest to woodland owners and those that want to learn more about woodlands and wildlife in Kentucky. Recent shows on forest fires, the White Oak Initiative, management plans, ticks, snakes, timber harvesting, and woodland owner resources should be of interest to Kentucky woodland owners. All of the shows are recorded and made freely available for streaming from <http://forestry.ca.uky.edu/fromthewoodsky> or you can download the podcasts from wherever you receive your podcasts.

