

TIMBER MEASUREMENTS SOCIETY, CENTRAL MEETING

APRIL 11-13, 2012, COEUR D'ALENE RESORT, COEUR D'ALENE, IDAHO

ANNOUNCEMENT

Fellow Timber Measurements Society Members or anyone with an interest in log scaling, timber cruising and related areas,

You are invited to attend the 2012 meeting of the Timber Measurement Society, which will take place at the Coeur d'Alene Resort in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, April 11-13, 2011.

The meeting will include two days of presentations from expert speakers on topics that are important to those of us in the measurements related fields of forestry and forest products industries (a provisional agenda will be sent out soon). We are currently putting together the agenda, so if you have suggestions for topics and speakers, please contact Matt Fonseca or another member of the secretariat.

We will have a field trip on April 13 to the Idaho Forest Group mill in Chilco, Idaho (20 minutes by car from the meeting venue). Those who plan on attending the field trip should try to bring a hard-hat, high visibility vest and safety glasses and must have boot that cover the ankle.

For those of you bringing family/friends and/or plan on spending time in the area before or after the meeting, information on tourist activities can be obtained at: <http://coeurdalene.org/>

Please make your reservations at the Coeur d'Alene Resort by calling 1-800-688-5253. The Coeur d'Alene has agreed to give us a nightly rate of \$99 for a deluxe room and \$119 for a premier room. The cut-off date for the block of rooms and special rate is February 8, 2012, or until there are no more rooms left, so please don't wait too long to make your reservations and be sure to tell them that you are with the Timber Measurements Society. You can visit the Coeur d'Alene resort website at: <http://www.cdaresort.com/>

The meeting fee this year will be \$25 (payable when you arrive) and we ask that you please pre-register, by emailing your contact details (address, phone, representing) to: matthew.fonseca@unece.org and list Timber Measurement Society registration in the subject.

Further information will be made available on the website at: www.timbermeasure.com. If you have any questions or comments, feel free to contact the secretariat:

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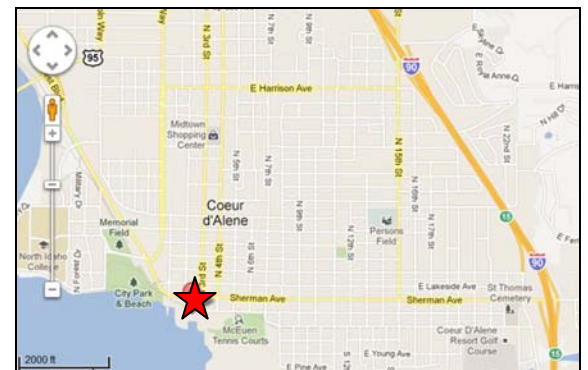
The Coeur d'Alene resort is a 40 minute drive from Spokane International airport. A shuttle from the airport to the resort is available (at a cost) and can be arranged by contacting the Resort or by contacting Payless airport shuttle at: +1 888-870-7433 Amtrak passenger train service serves nearby Post Falls (www.amtrak.com). The Coeur d'Alene resort is located on the lake at 115 South 2nd Street, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho.

Travelling eastbound on Interstate 90 from Spokane

- Take exit 11 for Northwest Blvd toward City Center (0.3 mi)
- Turn right onto Northwest Blvd (2.1 mi)
- Turn right onto S 2nd St (187 ft)
- S 2nd St turns slightly left and becomes E Front Ave
- Destination will be on the right

Travelling westbound on Interstate 90 from Missoula

- Take exit 15 for Sherman Ave toward City Center (0.2 mi)
- Turn left onto E Sherman Ave (1.4 mi)
- Turn left onto S 5th St (302 ft)
- Take the 1st right onto E Front Ave
- Destination will be on the right



We look forward to seeing you in Coeur d'Alene and please feel free to forward the information on the meeting to anyone interested in timber measurements.



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Timber Measurements Society

Wednesday, April 11

- 7:00-8:00 Registration (\$25 meeting fee)
- 8:00-8:30 Chairman's welcome – Matt Fonseca
- 8:30-9:15 How can we measure trees and logs for the most useful information – Toby Atterbury, Atterbury Consultants Inc., Beaverton, Oregon
- 9:15-9:45 Idaho Forest Group's move toward cubic log measure and away from Scribner – Alan Harper, Idaho Forest Group, Chilco, Idaho
- 9:45-10:15 Discussion/break -----
- 10:15-11:15 2012 US Forest Economy: outlook and policy threats – Charley McKetta, Forest Econ Inc, Moscow, Idaho
- 11:15-12:00 Methods of accurately measuring and tracking biomass – Paul Janzé, Ausenco Sandwell, Langley, BC
- 12:00-1:15 No-host Lunch Banquet -----
- 1:15-2:00 Wood-based energy potential: assessing biomass and hogfuel in the woods and in the log yard – speaker TBA
- 2:00-2:30 Add GLONASS to GPS: will it improve GPS data in the woods? – Jon Aschenbach, Resource Supply, LLC., Beaverton, Oregon
- 2:30-3:00 Log grades and export log sorts, how are they different and what does a scaler/cruiser need to know to accurately assess them? – speaker TBA
- 3:00-3:30 Discussion/break -----
- 3:30-4:00 Scanned log volumes compared with manually measured volumes: trial in Vancouver BC – Peter Dyson, FPIinnovations, Vancouver, British Columbia
- 4:00-4:30 Accuracy and precision when measuring sawlogs with a 3D scanner – Hanna Heikkinen, Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences, Uppsala Sweden
- 4:30-5:00 Computer tomography scanning – Ludwig Fleischackl, Microtec Industries North America Inc., Delta, British Columbia
- 5:00-5:30 Business meeting: last year's minutes, treasurer's report, next years meeting location, election of officers, new business)
- 5:30 Reconvene at nearby eatery (TBA) for drinks, dinner and discussion

Thursday, April 12

- 8:00-8:45 New Zealand sampling of pulp logs – John Ellis, Group Technical Manager, C3 Ltd.; and Managing Director of Scaling Research International, Mount Maunganui, New Zealand
- 8:45-9:15 Exporting logs to China: measurement and accountability – Rich Kosolofski, Pioneer Scaling Ltd, Campbell River, British Columbia
- 9:15-9:45 Idaho Board of Scaling Practices program for certifying scalers and ensuring competency – Ernie Bauer and Russ Hogan, IBSP, Hayden Lake, Idaho
- 9:45-10:15 Discussion/break -----
- 10:15-10:45 Roundwood trade in Sweden – Mats Nylander, Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences, Uppsala Sweden
- 10:45-11:15 Log quality control and accountability for log sort sales – David Richards and Denise Roush-Livingston, Washington DNR, Olympia Washington
- 11:15-11:45 Alberta Smalian cubic scale, stratification and sampling – Max Matthews, Millar Western Forest Products Ltd., Whitecourt, Alberta
- 11:45-12:15 Electronic measurement solutions: examples in log scaling and standing forest inventory – Brian L. Mitchell, Haglof, Inc North America, Madison Mississippi
- 12:15-1:30 No-host Lunch Banquet -----
- 1:30-2:00 Laser technology applications for timber measurement – speaker TBA
- 2:00-2:30 New scaling and cruising equipment from Juniper Systems – Trevor Brown, Juniper Systems, Logan Utah
- 2:30-3:00 Montana DNRC program for selling timber by weight: challenges for converting from volume to weight and insuring reasonable valuation – Sarah Lyngholm
- 3:00-3:30 Discussion/break -----
- 3:30-4:00 Log deck measurement with Deck Easy. New program by Laser Technology – John Calkins, Scaling Supervisor, Simpson Timber Company, Shelton, Washington
- 4:00-4:30 Physical properties of wood: are we properly accounting for drivers of log and tree values with our measurements and grading? – speaker TBA
- 4:30-5:00 NAIP imagery update: 2011 color imagery is available for OR, WA, and ID. How to get it for free – Mike McGuire, Ascent GIS Inc, Spokane, Washington
- 5:00-5:30 Drive-through log scanning installations in North America and abroad: volume dimensions and shape – Mario Angel, WoodTech - North America, Portland, Oregon

Friday, April 13

- 8:00-5:00 Field trip: mill tour and log rollout – IFG, Chilco, ID

