

2026 FALL REGIONAL MEETING SCHEDULE

Wednesday, October 28 - Franklin (Venango), PA -
Quality Inn & Conference Center

Wednesday, November 4 - New Holland (Lancaster), PA - Yoder's
Restaurant & Buffet

NEW LOCATION

Wednesday, November 18 - Reedsville (Mifflin), PA -
Reedsville Volunteer Fire Company



**Registration is Free
Sponsorships are Available**

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The 2026–2027 PFPA Regional Meetings are about to kick off. Each meeting will feature updates from PFPA Executive Director Fred Strathmeyer, followed by an engaging presentation from guest speakers. Ben Harlan of PennDOT will present at Franklin, while Ben Livelsberger of DCNR will present at New Holland and Reedsville. Below is more information about their presentations.

Registration and sponsorship opportunities are now open for all three regional meetings. We encourage you to register early to secure your spot. With less than a month remaining until the first meeting in the series kicks off in Franklin, PA, now is the time to make your plans to attend.

Registration information:

<https://lp.constantcontactpages.com/ev/reg/cduj8vh/lp/a7c19b66-a850-4a00-933e-8c5c16916be1>

**Guest Speaker: Ben Harlan, Senior Civil Engineer - PennDOT/Bureau of Operations
Asset Management Division**

Ben will review the forest products industry's key areas of concern and provide an update on the quarterly meetings that began following a December 2025 meeting with Secretary Carroll and senior PennDOT staff, which were established to strengthen communication and improve consistency in policy interpretation, regulatory understanding, and implementation. In addition to Ben, we hope to have District 1 manager in attendance to expand the scope of the meeting.

**Guest Speaker: Ben Livelsberger, Wood Utilization Specialist - PA DCNR Bureau of
Forestry, Silviculture Section**

Ben will present an update on the Bureau of Forestry's Strategic Plan and silviculture priorities, highlighting how they align with timber harvesting goals and long-term forest management objectives. He will also discuss efforts to develop a modern Harvest Allocation Model that will improve planning for forest mortality, land acquisitions, and sustainable harvest levels.

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