

NATIVE SEED COLLECTION WORKSHOP FOR RESTORATION AND CONSERVATION



**October 1, 2013
9:30 AM - 3PM**

LOCATION: Agroforestry Research Center, 6055 Route 23, Acra, NY

DIRECTIONS: FROM I-87: TAKE EXIT 21 TOWARD NY-23, TURN LEFT ONTO MAIN ST/NY-23B, TAKE RAMP TO CAIRO/GREENVILLE AND MERGE ONTO NY-23. TRAVEL 12.7 MILES AND THE AGROFORESTRY CENTER WILL BE ON THE LEFT.

PLEASE BRING: Plenty of water, lunch, sun protection, bug repellent, appropriate outdoor clothing, and a field notebook.

PLEASE RSVP

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Native seed collection is imperative for the preservation, conservation and reclamation of plant communities in decline. The loss of species diversity in plant communities can have negative repercussions on local pollinator and animal populations. MARS-B is a new effort to preserve native plant species through long-term storage and native plant materials development. This is MARS-B's second year collecting native seed for the entire mid-Atlantic region.

This October 1st, we invite you to attend our Native Ash Seed Collection Workshop. The participants of this workshop will be introduced to the National Seeds of Success (SOS) Protocol, the official native seed collection program for the United States, and learn about Ash seed collection and conservation from Bob Karrfalt, The Director of the USDA United States Forest Service National Seed Lab. It is our hope that the information you gain from this workshop will result in your contribution of native seed collections to both MARS-B and the National Ash Conservation Project.

This workshop is your opportunity to become involved in a unique and exciting regional seed collection network. We are eager to create permanent relationships with botanists and naturalists interested in native seed collection. We hope to see you October 1st!

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