

## THE ALGOMA CHAPTER OF THE ONTARIO WOODLOT ASSOCIATION

## **Woodlot Tour**

When: Saturday February 10, 2024

Meet at 9:30 SHARP at carpool Hwy 17/Hwy 638 (Echo Bay)

Tour 10:00 am - 1:00 pm

Where: 1. Active selection harvest on Two Horse Road

Crown land maple cut under direction of Midway Lumber Mill

2. Recently harvested yellow birch shelterwood on Bass Lake Road

Also a Crown land block under direction of Midway Lumber Mill

## What:

Meet us at the carpool area at Hwy 17 and Hwy 638 outside of Echo Bay. We'll drive the rest of the way to the active harvest block on Two Horse Road and park in the big turnaround. A map is provided on the next page.

Tom Huitema, Woodlands Manager, Midway Lumber Mills will tour us around the active harvest site. The selection (orange marking) harvest is being done by John Fleming. We'll discuss the combination of equipment used in his system, wood products coming out of the bush and how the addition of chipping is increasing utilization in his operation.

Together we'll travel to Bass Lake Road to tour a recent shelterwood cut. Here the trees to retain were painted in blue. We'll learn how this style of marking differs from the marking for the selection system and some keys to ensuring adequate regeneration.

Please wear a hard hat and a hi-vis vest if you have them.

Bring a bush lunch and join us for part of your day! Consider bringing a friend along too.



## **Directions:**

- Leave Sault Ste. Marie and head east towards Echo Bay
- At Echo Bay turn onto Hwy 638 and the carpool area is right there
- If you miss meeting the group at the carpool, follow Hwy 638 past Gordon Lake Road (on the right)
- Turn left onto Lonely Lake Road (well signed)
- Refer to the map where other roads (may not be plowed) go off and follow the main road which turns into Driftwood Dr./Two Horse Rd.
- Parking is in a large landing that can accommodate our group easily
- 4x4 recommended



Hope to see you there!

For more information, please contact Laurie Thompson 705-987-1170.