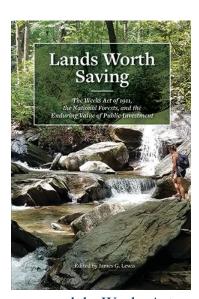




#### Weeks Act Book Now on Sale

The Forest History Society is proud to announce the publication of a new book. *Lands Worth Saving: The Weeks Act of 1911, the National Forests, and the Enduring Value of Public Investment* is an edited volume about the Weeks Act of 1911 and its legacy. FHS historian James Lewis edited and contributed to the book, which will be published Sept. 24 in paperback for \$14.95. (You can order it from our website now!) Funding for publication was provided by the U.S. Forest Service.



In 1911, Congress passed the Weeks Act, one of the most transformative conservation laws in U.S. history. Designed to establish national forests in the East, the Weeks Act has helped restore more than 24 million acres around the country. The law also provided a cooperative agreement between the Forest Service, the states, and private landowners to fight forest fires. This framework is also used today for combating climate change, protecting endangered species, and managing urban forests.

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U.S. Forest Service Retirees Reunion (exhibiting and film screening) Asheville, NC Sept. 24-28

Society of American Foresters National Convention (exhibiting) Portland, OR Oct. 2-5

In this collection, drawn from the pages of the magazine <u>Forest History Today</u> and newly updated, leading historians, conservationists, and legal experts explore the history, impact, and future of natural resource management under the law. By examining what the Weeks Act has done for America, they can help us better understand what's at stake for the nation's public and private forests in the century to come.

# ATTENTION! FHS Moving to New Facility in Nov.



Despite the recent hurricane, we're happy to report that no damage occurred to either the current or new FHS buildings! In fact, construction of the Forest History Society's new headquarters remains on schedule. This means that our targeted moving date remains mid-November. Consequently, the library and archives will be closed to visiting researchers from November 1 through January 7 while we pack, move, and get settled. The library staff will try to answer queries as best they can during that time, but they ask for your patience when waiting for a response.

Thanks to all who wrote wishing us well before and after the hurricane. Your notes of support were greatly appreciated.

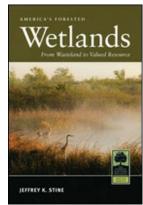
## **Redwood NP Collection Processed**

A collection of materials about the Redwood National Park has been processed and is now available to researchers. <u>This collection</u> includes correspondence, reports, articles, promotional materials, news clippings, and other items related to the park in northern California.

#### FHS Board of Directors Meeting

Durham, NC Oct. 25-27

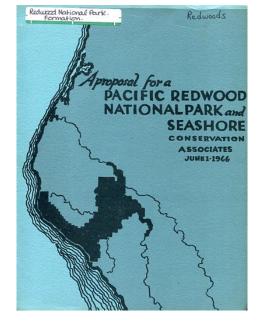
#### TIMELY!



The recent hurricane that struck the Carolinas has had an as-yet unknown impact on forested wetlands near the coast.

To learn more about this critically important part of the forest ecosystem, read <u>America's Forested</u> <u>Wetlands: From Wasteland to Valued Resource</u>, by Jeffrey Stine.





The national park was officially established on October 2, 1968, by President Lyndon B. Johnson. This represented the culmination of decades of work and lobbying by individual conservationists and organizations such as the Sierra Club and the Save-the-Redwoods League.

The collection documents debates about the park's creation and proposed expansion. The bulk of the collection is from the 1960s and 1970s and was assembled by both the California Forest Protective Association and DeWitt Nelson. A significant portion of the collection is news clipping files collected by the California Forest Protective Association. Prior to the establishment of the park, fierce debates took place between forest industry groups and local populations over the potential negative economic impacts of the Park's creation. These debates continued into the 1970s over proposed expansions to the park's lands.

## New Digital Exhibit: Pioneer Trail Riders of the Wilderness

Recently, FHS staff came across a scrapbook in our collection of American Forestry Association (AFA) records. Its pages were filled with original photographs and documents from the AFA's first trail ride in July of 1933. The Trail Riders program was operated by the AFA for over 50 years, from 1933 through 1988. Originally called "Trail Riders of the National Forests" and later renamed "Trail Riders of the Wilderness," the program brought groups on guided tours deep into America's remote wilderness areas. The items from the scrapbook have been used to create a new digital exhibit documenting the experiences of the 1933 inaugural travel group: "Pioneer Trail Riders of the Wilderness."



The inaugural Trail Riders take a break at a cabin in the South Fork Primitive Area on the Flathead National Forest, July 1933.

#### **Schenck Film Receives Festival Award**



The FHS documentary film <u>America's First Forest: Carl Schenck and the Asheville Experiment</u> garnered another accolade, this time on the film festival circuit. In June, the film received the Creative Excellence Award at the 2018 <u>Deauville Green Awards</u> film festival in France. FHS was invited by the festival's organizers to submit in the Documentary Film category (films 25 minutes or longer). The festival saw a record 420 films from around the world entering the competition this year.

The film is available for public screenings, such as at conferences and meetings. If interested in scheduling a screening, please contact Jamie Lewis <u>via email</u>. Those attending the upcoming U.S. Forest Service Retirees Reunion (see the "Upcoming Events" sidebar) will be able to watch the film there!

### **Welcome FHS Members!**

We'd like to extend a warm welcome to our new FHS members! We appreciate your interest in forest and conservation history and are committed to serving you with quality publications and programs every year. We value your input and encourage your participation in our programs.

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Jongchan Lee
Daniel May

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Timothy Roberts Michael Rains
Jeff Siegrist David Smith

Robert Swinford Rick & Lori Rohleder William Oates William Strauss
Christopher Will Tom Tuchmann

Abby Wannamaker William & Lee Nightingale

### **ICEHO Call for Papers Extended**



The International Consortium of Environmental History Organizations (ICEHO), of which the Forest History Society is a member, invites paper and panel proposals for the 3rd World Congress of Environmental History, to be held in July 2019 in Florianópolis, Brazil. The application deadline is now October 1, 2018. You can learn more about the conference and how to apply at its website.











