

A FALLOW SEASON

Fallow: –adj,

1. (of land) left unseeded after being plowed and harrowed to regain fertility for a crop.

NEW SPRINGS
LIFE FROM FALLOWED LAND

COVID-19 RESPONSE PLAN

- Pause Classes 42 & 43 for one year to resume in the fall of 2021.
- Facilitate more alumni engagement.
- Enhance program curriculum to ensure sustainability.
- Develop new AgForestry programming to meet more leaders where they are in their journey.

WHY?

- Risk of compromising the classes' experience.
- Significant additional costs associated with social distancing.
- A response to class members' concerns about safety.
- Using resources proactively for program development vs. reactive situation management.

WHAT YOU CAN EXPECT FROM US

Lying fallow. A pause. A decision made with intention, deliberation and unanimous support of the AgForestry board and staff. The impact of COVID-19 is an impetus to innovate. A fallow season means laser focus of time and resources on what's next for AgForestry.

Our "field" will not produce its accustomed crop of leaders this season, but you will find the AgForestry staff team engaged in an all-out effort to replenish the soil from which our leadership classes spring. We will bolster the existing program. We will develop new curricula that meets the educational needs of emerging leaders who aren't quite ready for the traditional program, and AgForestry graduates who are looking for their next leadership development opportunity.

We are doubling down on the future and, with your ongoing support, will emerge positioned to achieve our mission for the next 40 years.

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