The Natural Resources Leadership Institute (NRLI), founded in 1994, is a multifaceted Institute that provides programming in leadership development, environmental decision-making, research, and needs based training. Administered through the North Carolina Cooperative Extension Service at NC State University, hundreds of professionals have participated in its leadership development program, building their leadership skills and knowledge in conflict resolution, multi-party negotiation, critical thinking, and collaborative problem solving. Our goal is to enhance leadership, leadership that will influence integrative solutions to complex environmental issues between organizations and within our state.

The strength of the Institute lies in the diversity of our participants. Men and women from across North Carolina and beyond reflect the varied life experiences of those who have a stake in the sustainability of our communities and environment. Out of this diversity comes new and enduring social networks, and a foundation for future opportunities and problem-solving.

Among our Institute Fellows are:

- Federal & state resource professionals
- Resource professionals in business & industry
- Environmental nonprofit leaders
- Local government resource managers
- Community leaders
- Landowners & rural leaders
- Educators
- Elected officials
- Policy specialists
- Affiliates in other states

Our highly interactive workshop sessions are led by NRLI faculty from NC State and UNC, with assistance from natural resource professionals, dispute resolution practitioners, and community leaders. Participants are engaged in hands-on training and are active in their own leadership development including the design and implementation of their leadership project.

Participants attend six workshops and two review sessions at locations around North Carolina.

- February 25-27, 2015, Raleigh
- March 25-27, 2015, Black Mountain
- April 15-17, 2015, Brown Summit
- May 27-29, 2015, Salter Path
- June 22-24, 2015, Raleigh
- October 21-23, 2015, Raleigh

Tuition payment covers workshop instruction and support, educational materials, assessment instruments, and other session essentials. Participants are responsible for their lodging, meal, and travel expenses. To keep our program costs reasonable, we offer reasonable package rates for workshop accommodations and sponsorship of meals and events. Applicants can apply for scholarships to cover partial travel or tuition costs.

Application deadline is January 26, 2015
You can access an online application at:
www.ncsu.edu/NRLI/leadership/schedule.php

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