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"Identifying Trees in Winter" program offered at the Vinton Furnace State Forest on Friday, November 14

**McArthur, OH** –Fall is in the air, and many of the trees in Southeastern Ohio have already shed their leaves. This makes tree identification more difficult, but there are still many clues that you can use to identify trees in their leafless state. "Identifying Trees in Winter", an educational program designed to provide you with the knowledge to differentiate among the variety of trees on your property in the coming winter months, will be offered at the Vinton Furnace State Forest on Friday, November 14 from 9 am to 3:30 pm. Participants in this program will:

- Learn to use bud and twig characterizes to identify trees
- Develop an "eye" for bark and tree shape to aid in winter tree identification
- Become familiar with tree fruits like acorns and other clues that can be found on the ground
- Spend "A Day in the Woods" with foresters exploring the variety of trees that can be found at the Vinton Furnace State Forest

"Identifying Trees in Winter" and the "A Day in the Woods-2<sup>nd</sup> Friday Series" are sponsored by the Education and Demonstration Subcommittee of the Vinton Furnace State Forest with support from the ODNR-divisions of Forestry and Wildlife, US Forest Service, Vinton County Soil and Water Conservation District, Ohio State University Extension, US Fish and Wildlife Service, the National Wild Turkey Federation, Hocking College, Glatfelter, and Ohio's SFI Implementation Committee.

For brochures and more information, visit <a href="http://go.osu.edu/seohiowoods">http://go.osu.edu/seohiowoods</a>. A registration fee of \$10 will cover the cost of lunch and program materials. Please RSVP by calling OSU Extension Vinton County at 740-596-5212, or email Dave Apsley at <a href="mailto:apsley.1@osu.edu">apsley.1@osu.edu</a> by November 10.