2013 Washington State Society of American Foresters Annual Meeting

FOREST RESTORATION

A VISION FOR SUCCESS

April 3-5, 2013 Campbell's Resort, Chelan, Wash.

Join foresters, natural resource managers, researchers, and citizen advocates at the 2013 Washington State Society of American Foresters annual meeting to explore and discuss Forest Restoration and the Forest Service's Restoration Strategy. (photo by Derek Churchill)



You will learn about:

- challenges facing forests today that indicate the need for Restoration
- the benefits of a Restoration Strategy that leads to more resilient forests
- how working with partners help accomplish Restoration more efficiently and effectively

Location

The meeting will be held at Campbell's Resort,104 West Woodin Avenue, Chelan, WA 98816; www.campbellsresort.com. Campbell's is located on the shore of beautiful Lake Chelan, just off of Hwy 97 - alt. Every room comes with Campbell's Resort's signature feature: right on the water, with stunning views of Lake Chelan from a private balcony or deck. On site, you'll also find the 2nd Floor Pub & Veranda and Campbell's Bistro, serving cuisine and an inspired Washington wine list in a lake resort setting. Relax and enjoy pampering treatments and services at River Room Spa, Central Washington's best day spa. From massage to nail services to facials and even yoga classes, the professionally trained staff at the best of Washington State resorts does it all.

Campbell's is also adjacent to downtown Chelan with a variety of shops and restaurants and is close to Chelan Valley's wineries, perfect for an afternoon's wine tasting trip. You can also visit the headwaters of Lake Chelan, sailing on the Lady of the Lake for a day-long trip to Stehekin, a unique community nestled in the North Cascades and only accessible by boat, plane, or hiking. The relaxing scenery and informative narration, from inside a very cozy cabin, make for a great day of travel and sightseeing.

Lodging

Reduced rate lodging is available at Campbell's Resort for April 3-5 by calling 800-553-8225 and mentioning the Society of American Foresters. The reduced rate for a traditional room is \$88 and a deluxe room is \$102. Rates are subject to state and local taxes. **After March 4**, **regular rates apply and reservations are subject to availability.**

Excerpt from the Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest Restoration Strategy:

Challenges

The Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forests needs restoration for a few reasons. Uncharacteristically large and severe fires and insect outbreaks have become common. Large and old trees are few in number. These trees are the basis of many wildlife habitats. The forest's road system impacts water quality, wildlife habitat, and fish, and it is expensive to maintain. Climate change impacts, like higher temperatures and more frequent floods, are expected to make all of these challenges more pressing.

Resilience

The Restoration Strategy's aim is forests and watersheds that are more resilient to disturbances, like fire, and to climate change impacts. Resilient forests and watersheds can withstand major changes and still produce services that we care about, like clean water, timber, recreation, and habitat. We are not "restoring to" some fixed historical state. Rather, we are "restoring for" the future using what we know about historical forests and about climate change.

Benefits

The main benefit is that we strategically place our treatments, targeting places that have the largest effect on the landscape, mitigating large landscape fire effects, while considering needs for wildlife habitat, aquatics, and insects and disease. The landscape approach also makes planning more efficient, as one analysis generates multiple projects. With the number and variety of restoration challenges facing the Forest, managers are using the Restoration Strategy to quicken the pace, expand the scope, and increase the effectiveness of restoration activities.

Working With Partners

The Restoration Strategy is grounded in well-established science, relying on decades of landscape ecology research. Forest managers worked with scientists from a variety of public, private, and nonprofit agencies to develop the Strategy. As we implement the Restoration Strategy process, and begin working on restoration treatments, we continue to rely on partners. Because of our "all-lands" approach, some of our closest partners are our neighbors, including The Nature Conservancy, the Yakama Nation, and the Washington State Departments of Natural Resources and Fish and Wildlife.

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Program

Wednesday, April 3, 2013

Noon-5:00 **WSSAF Executive Committee Meeting**

Icebreaker Reception—Joann Cox, SAF National President: SAF Brand 5:30

Framework and Core Language

Thursday, April 4, 2013

7:00-8:00 Pep-up Breakfast

8:30 Opening Remarks—Terry Orton, Mid-Columbia Chapter Chair

Forest Restoration Research

8:45	History, Management, Introduction to Dry Forest Restoration Research—			
	Richy Harrod and Paul Hessburg, US Forest Service			
9:45	Restoration Treatments; Post-fire Salvage; Accounting for Climate Change—			
	David W. Peterson, US Forest Service			
10:15	Morning Break in Exhibitor's Area			
10:45	Forest Ecology and Ecosystem Management Decision Support—James Dickinson, U.S.			
	Forest Service			

11:30 Wildlife—Speaker TBD

12:00-1:00 Lunch and Speaker: Cultural Perspective, Speaker TBD

Forest Restoration Projects

1:00	Applying the Forest Restoration Strategy—Jamie Cannon, US Forest Service
1:45	Tapash Sustainable Forest Collaborative—Speaker TBD
2:30	Afternoon Break in Exhibitor's Area
2:45	An Investigation of Historical Fire Regimes for the Sinlahekin Wildlife Area: Implications for
	Restoration Planning—Bob Gray, R.W. Gray Consulting Ltd.
3:30	Sinlahekin Forest Restoration: Introduction to the Washington Prescribed Fire Council Public
	Education Needs—Dale Swedberg, Washington Dept. of Fish and Wildlife
4:00	Protection Forests and Communities—Michelle Ellis, US Forest Service
4:30	Wrap-Up
5:30-6:30	No-Host Social Hour in Exhibitor's Area
6:30-8:00	Awards Banquet and Speaker—Jack Nisbit, Author of The Collector and
	David Douglas - A Naturalist at Work

Friday, April 5, 2013

7:00-8:30 Breakfast and WSSAF Annual Business Meeting 9:00-5:00 Field Trip - Forest Restoration in Action

Tour highlights include a visit to an active Stewardship Contract where we will discuss:

- evaluation of restoration challenges at the stand level
- designing effective restoration treatments
- considerations for treatment of fuels

Be prepared for wet or snow covered, uneven ground, a short hike, and a tour of forest stands where restoration concepts are being applied. Bring suitable walking shoes or boots, warm clothes and/or rain gear, and if you have one, a hard hat.

Cost per person: \$50, which includes transportation and a box lunch.

Please reserve your spot in advance on the registration form—there is a minimum of 20 and maximum of 30 people for the tour available on a first-come first served basis.

Tour leader will be Terry Orton, Mid-Columbia Chapter Chair and staff from the Methow Valley Ranger District.

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□Student registration	\$80	\$80		\$	
□Spouse registration	\$120	\$120		\$	
□Friday field trip	\$50	\$50		\$	
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Registration

Regular Registration is \$200/person by March 20. After March 20, regular registration will be \$225/person. This registration covers the evening Ice Breaker social on Wednesday, April 3, the April 4 indoor program including breakfast and lunch, morning and afternoon breaks and evening Awards Banquet, as well as April 5 breakfast.

Student Registration (must be an active student enrolled in university, community college or local school) is \$80/person and covers the same meals and breaks as a regular registration.

Guests/spouses of regular registrants may register for \$120/person and includes the evening Ice Breaker social on Wednesday, April 3, the April 4 breakfast and evening Awards Banquet, and the April 5 breakfast.

Separate ticketed items include the Friday field tour.

Exhibitors

For \$225, commercial businesses will receive skirted exhibit space, a single regular registration for the evening Ice Breaker social on Wednesday, April 3 and the Thursday, April 4 indoor program including breakfast and lunch, morning and afternoon breaks and evening Awards Banquet. Exhibitor packets are available by contacting Jerry Gutzwiler at jrgutzwiler@gmail.com.

Foresters' Fund and WSSAF Foundation Raffle and Silent Auction

This year's annual meeting will feature a Raffle and Silent Auction to support the Foresters' Fund and the WSSAF Foundation. Please support these efforts by bringing an item for the raffle or silent auction to the meeting. For additional information, contact Terry Orton at 509-322-4138 or terryortonforester@outlook.com.

Sponsorship/Supporter Opportunities

Businesses, organizations, agencies, and individuals are invited to be a conference sponsor. Four levels of sponsorship are available: Contributor: \$1 to \$250, Bronze: \$500, Silver: \$1000 and Gold: \$1500 plus. All levels include recognition at the meeting (Silver and Gold include one or two complimentary registrations). Financial support at any level is welcome. For additional information, contact Adrian Miller at awmiller@longviewtimber.com.

SAF CFE Credits

CFE credits from the Society of American Foresters for the Thursday indoor session and Friday field trip will be available onsite.

Questions?

For registration questions, contact Annie Tomlinson at the SAF Northwest Office at 503-224-8046 or annie@forestry.org. Other questions can be directed to Mid Columbia Chapter Chair Terry Orton at 509-322-4138 or terryortonforester@outlook.com.