

2013 Inland Empire Society of American Foresters
Annual Meeting

ACTIVE MANAGEMENT

CREATING HABITAT FOR FLORA AND FAUNA

November 14-16, 2013
Turnbull National Wildlife Refuge, Cheney, WA

Join foresters, natural resource managers, researchers, and citizen advocates at the 2013 Inland Empire Society of American Foresters annual meeting to explore and discuss Active Management and the Turnbull National Wildlife Refuge approach to creating habitat (photo by Kristin Anicito)

You will learn about:

- **challenges** facing forests today that indicate the need for Active Management
- the **benefits** of Active Management that lead to diverse and resilient forests
- how Active Management of federal lands to create habitat can provide **economic, ecological and social** benefits



Location

The meeting will be held jointly at Turnbull NWR (field tour) at the Holiday Inn Express in Cheney, WA (icebreaker and lodging) and the Tawanka Commons (Building #55) on the Eastern Washington University Campus. Cheney, the home of Eastern Washington University, is a small college town with easy access to the amenities of city life available in Spokane, a nearby metropolitan area of more than 500,000 people. Turnbull is located approximately four miles south of Cheney and twenty miles southwest of Spokane. The refuge encompasses 15,568 acres, of which approximately 2,300 acres are designated for public use. The setting consists of channeled scabland topography with abundant marshes, ponds and wetlands. The refuge ecosystems are quite varied from dry, sagebrush and grasslands to ponderosa pine forests. The diverse habitats at Turnbull make it a high quality site for breeding and migratory waterfowl. There is also a rich diversity of plants and other wildlife within the refuge. Turnbull offers a five and a half mile auto tour route and many miles of hiking trails within the visitor use area. Because Turnbull is a true wildlife sanctuary, hunting and fishing are not permitted on the refuge and a total of 13,000 acres are dedicated to wildlife preservation.

Lodging

Lodging is available at the Holiday Inn Express for November 14-16 by calling 509-235-1100 and mentioning the IESAF Annual Meeting. The rate for 1-2 persons per room is \$88; for 3 persons it is \$98 and for 4 persons it is \$108. Rates are subject to state and local taxes. There are other motel options available in Cheney and many more in nearby Spokane.

**2013 Inland Empire Society of American Foresters Annual Meeting
Program**

Thursday, November 14, 2013

4:00-6:00 IESAF Executive Committee Meeting
6:30 Icebreaker Reception

Friday, November 15, 2013

7:30-8:30 Pep-up Breakfast
8:30 *Opening Remarks*—**Steve McConnell**, WSU Extension

8:45 *History and Management of the Turnbull NWR, The Benefits of having a Full Tool Bag for Accomplishing NWR Objectives*— **Mike Rule**, USFWS
9:15 Timber Harvest and Pre-Commercial Thinning as Tools in Habitat Creation at Turnbull NWR — **Doug Fredericks**, US Fish and Wildlife Service

9:45 Morning Break

10:15 Prescribed Fire as a Tool in Habitat Creation—**Ken Minehart**, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
10:45 A Holistic Approach to Mima Mound Prairie Restoration—**Kristin Anicito**, Eastern Washington University
11:15 Reference Sites: A Tool to Guide Restoration— **Jim Hallett**, Eastern Washington University

11:45-1:00 Lunch

1:00 Active Management on Forest Service Lands: A Stewardship Contract with the Colville National Forest, Russ Vaagen, Vaagen Bros Lumber, Colville, WA
1:30 *Beaver Reintroductions in Eastern Washington*— **Joe Cannon**, Public Lands Council

2:00 Afternoon Break

2:30 *Firewise for Whom?*—**Matt Carroll**, Washington State University
3:00 *What We Can Learn from Studies in Eastern Oregon about Coincidental Outcomes of Forest Restoration*—**Charley McKetta**, Forest Econ Inc.

3:30 Five Minute Pause

3:35-4:00 Wrap-Up---**Jay O'Laughlin**, Policy Analysis Group, University of Idaho

5:00-6:00 No-Host Social Hour in Exhibitor's Area
6:00-8:00 Awards Banquet and Speaker—**Aaron Everett**, State Forester, Washington Department of Natural Resources

Saturday, November 16, 2013

7:00-8:30 Breakfast and IESAF Annual Business Meeting including presentation by John Walkowiak, District 1 Council Representative, on SAF Brand Framework and Core Language. Report back from the National Convention.

Field Trip to Turnbull NWR:

Active Management Activities we will view include:

- Silvicultural activities including commercial and pre-commercial thinning
- The application of prescribed fire as a restoration tool
- Invasive plant control on Mima Mounds using herbicides and biological controls

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Registration Form**

Name _____ Spouse/Guest Name _____

Company/Affiliation _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip, Email _____

Daytime phone _____ Fax _____

Registration Options:

- Regular Registration and Student Registration: includes evening Ice Breaker social on Thursday; Friday indoor program including lunch, morning and afternoon breaks, evening Awards Banquet and Saturday breakfast and sack lunch for field trip.
- Students must be an active student enrolled in university, community college or local school.
- Guest/Spouse Registration includes evening Ice Breaker social on Thursday, Friday lunch and Awards Banquet, and Saturday breakfast.

Registration:

	By Nov. 11	After Nov. 11		Total
<input type="checkbox"/> Regular registration	\$170	\$195	_____	\$_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Student registration	\$55	\$75	_____	\$_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Spouse registration	\$65	\$65	_____	\$_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes, I would like to help sponsor a student (any amount appreciated)				\$_____
Total				\$_____

Please list any special dietary needs _____

Payment Information:

Make checks payable to: Inland Empire SAF

☐ Registration fee enclosed

☐ Purchase Order # _____

☐ Charge to: ☐ Visa ☐ MasterCard

Account Number: _____

Expiration Date: _____

Security Code: _____

**Early registration must be received by
November 11, 2013**

Mail, fax, or email registration form to:

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Registration is \$170 for Regular Registration and \$55 for Students registering by November 11. After November 11, registration will be \$195 and \$75, respectively. This registration covers the evening Ice Breaker social on Thursday, November 14, the November 15 indoor program including lunch, morning and afternoon breaks and evening Awards Banquet, the November 16 breakfast and the Saturday Field Trip.

Student Registration - must be an active student enrolled in university, community college or local school.

Guests/spouses of regular registrants may register for \$65/person and includes the evening Ice Breaker social on Thursday, November 14, the November 15 lunch, morning and afternoon breaks the Awards Banquet, and the Saturday morning breakfast.

Exhibitors

For \$225, commercial businesses will receive skirted exhibit space, a single regular registration for the evening Ice Breaker social on Thursday, November 14 and the Friday, November 15 indoor program including lunch, morning and afternoon breaks and the evening Awards Banquet. Exhibitor packets are available by contacting Phil Anderson at phillipanderson@centurytel.net

Foresters' Fund and Silent Auction

This year's annual meeting will feature a Raffle and Silent Auction to support the Foresters' Fund. Please support these efforts by bringing an item for the raffle or silent auction to the meeting. For additional information, contact Bill Love at 208-290-6065 or loblollylove@hotmail.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 Phil Anderson at phillipanderson@centurytel.net

SAF CFE Credits

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

Questions?

For registration questions, contact Amanda at the SAF Northwest Office at 503-224-8046 or amanda@forestry.org. Other questions can be directed to Steve McConnell, Inland Empire Chair at 509-477-2175 or smcconnell@spokanecounty.org