



SOUTH SOUND FARM FORESTRY ASSOCIATION

Affiliated Chapter of Washington Farm Forestry Association

Carbon Sequestration Opportunities for Forestry

When: Wednesday, Feb 10th, 2010. Pizza at 6:30 PM; Business meeting at 7PM where we will get an update on our legislative efforts; Program starts at 7:30PM

Who: Steve Stinson has been representing family forest owners in various state and regional discussions regarding potential standards for carbon trading products or markets. Steve is currently the Executive Director for the Family Forest Foundation; President of the Lewis County Chapter of WFFA; and V.P. of WFFA.

What: Everyone agrees that trees absorb and store lots of atmospheric carbon. Many folks believe those able to store atmospheric carbon should be able to get carbon sequestration payments. Some folks think family forest owners can benefit financially from carbon stored in their trees. Are there non-financial benefits to family forest owners? If the U.S. adopts a Cap & Trade system will we be ready?

Steve will describe some of the various programs being worked on for family forest owners. He will also discuss many of the issues that seem to work against the viability of these tentative programs for our relatively low acreages. Questions from the audience will help us all understand the complexity of this issue.

Where: Dept of Natural Resources (& Corrections) new building on the south side of the Olympia Airport. (From I-5 take exit #99 [also 93rd Street/State Highway #121 South]. Go straight through 4-way stops at Case and then Tilley intersections. Take first left - just past Rutledge Farm on Tilley Road. Tilley changes to 88th Ave at curve in main road. Park in front of large complex @ 801 88th Ave SE. Prox. 2 ½ miles from I-5).

Special Request from the President (Howard Wilson):

To help keep the cost of the annual meeting low we plan to have a raffle of a few quality items – if you have idea's or items please contact Howard at 253-579-2489 or wilsonhs@aol.com or bring to the meeting like Bob Bower did last month. ☺

Future Meeting Schedules (tentative):

- Mar 10th: Help from SFLO office and NRCS
- April 14: Potential Work Party for Annual Meeting preparation.
- April 25-27: Annual Meeting of WFFA @ Hama Hama & Alderbrook
- May 12th: Manke's Harstene Island Tree Farm Tour
- June 9th: Boyd Wilson's Tree Farm Tour (N. Lewis County)

- **July 14th: Wild Thyme Tree Farm – value added & carbon sequestration**
- **Aug 11th: To Be Advised Tree Farm Tour**
- **Sept 8th: Commencement Bay Mill Company (log yard and mill tour)**
- **Oct 13th: DNR's Natural Area's Program**
- **Nov 10th: Planning meeting for 2011**

Pass this notice along with a warm invitation to other tree farmers & friends you think will benefit or enjoy what we are about.