

Washington Farm Forestry Association 2024 Annual Meeting Schedule

Sunday, April 28, 2024 | WFFA Executive Board Meeting and Informal Evening Social

Hotel Murano, 1320 Broadway Plaza, Tacoma, WA 98402

- 12:00 PM **WFFA Executive Board Meeting and Luncheon** – Torcello/Burano Meeting Room
- 5:00 PM **AM24 Early Check-in and Registration Packet Pick-up** – Hotel Murano, follow signs
- 5:00 PM **Informal Evening Social** – Bar960 | Music from Ken Bevis, No Host Bar, complimentary appetizers – Enjoy music, appetizers, beverages then is dinner on your own in Bite Restaurant

Monday, April 29, 2024 | WFFA 2024 Annual Meeting – Managing Your Timberlands for Wildlife

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- 7:00 AM **Check-in and Registration Packet Pick-up & Buffet Breakfast**
- 8:00 AM **Welcome and Opening Remarks** | Ann Stinson, President, WFFA
- 8:15 AM **Making It Work with Beavers in a Riparian Forest, and Other Wildlife Challenges** | John Henrikson, Co-Owner and Manager of Wild Thyme Farms
- 9:00 AM **Pollinator Habitat on Working Timberlands** | Lindsay Davis, Community Engagement Specialist & Stewardship Coordinator & Jessica Espy, Hampton Timberlands
- 9:45 AM **Break** – Visit Vendors, purchase Raffle Tickets & enjoy refreshments *sponsored by Millwood Timber*
- 10:15 AM **Panel Discussion: Nuisance Wildlife** | Moderator: Dick Hopkins, Co-President, Pierce Chapter; Joe Murray, Forester, JMurray Forestry; Scott Harris, Wildlife Biologist, Washington Dept. of Fish & Wildlife; Norah Young, Silviculturalist, Sierra Pacific Industries
- 11:15 AM **Mini Break** – Visit Vendors and purchase Raffle Tickets
- 11:30 AM **Washington Tree Farm Program Awards Ceremony and Luncheon**
- 1:00 PM **Mini Break** – Visit Vendors and purchase Raffle Tickets
- 1:15 PM **Wildlife in Managed Forest Habitats: Deliberate Diversity** | Ken Bevis, Stewardship Biologist, DNR
- 2:15 PM **Panel Discussion: Enhancing Tree Farms for Wildlife – Stories from the Forest** | Merc & Rachel Boyer, Tree Farmers; Kit Ellis, Tree Farmer; Kirk Hanson, Director of Forestry, NNRG
- 3:15 PM **Break**
- 3:45 PM **Preview of Joint Base Lewis McChord Tour for Tuesday** | Ryan Mansfield, Forester, JBLM
- 4:30 PM **WFFA Annual Members Business Meeting / State Elections / Annual Report**
- 5:15 PM **Social Hour – No Host Bar**
- 6:00 PM **Dinner and Evening Slideshow Program** – Enjoy all the wildlife photos from our Tree Farmers

Tuesday, April 30, 2024 | Field Tour of Joint Base Lewis McChord (JBLM) – Location information to be provided

- 6:30-8:00 AM **Buffet Breakfast** – Hotel Murano | Provided only to those AM24 attendees that prepaid
- 8:45 AM **Attendee Check-in** | Check-in location to be provided
- 9:00 AM **Welcome and Introductions and Depart on Field Tour of JBLM**
TA06: pine savanna wildflowers, native ponderosa pine, prescribed fire management
AIA Overlook: largest Puget lowland prairie, endangered species conservation/status
Halverson Marsh: avian programs, habitat interface, public lands day grants
Chambers Lake Outflow: salmon habitat restoration, wetland restoration challenges
TA12: Variable density thinning, oak plantings
Nixon Springs Bridge: wetland restoration projects, Oregon spotted frog program
TA12 pines: Heart of the pine woodlands, fire management, wrap up tour
- 12:30 PM **Lunch** | Box lunches provided to prepaying attendees