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Celebrate the 50th Anniversary of Earth Day

What will you do to honor the beauty of the plant today?

Today marks the 50th anniversary of Earth Day, an annual global celebration in support of environmental protection. We at WFFA seek to find new ways to be *Stewards of the Land for Generations to Come*. While we might have our public celebrations curtailed, this encourages us all to find different, innovative ways to celebrate Earth Day:

- *Plant a seedling* - the rain we are receiving makes for perfect planting weather
- *Cultivate your garden* - work the Earth's ground and be thankful for the bounty we receive from the soil
- *Get out into nature and enjoy a walk on your tree farm* - trees are blooming, grass is growing, and the birds and bees are vigorous and healthy
- *Share with your children, grandchildren, friends and neighbors what being a "Steward of the Land" means to you* - utilize technology (whether that's your phone, email, Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, etc) to connect and share - remember to include @wafarmforestry in your social media posts



Help WFFA Help You!

WFFA has been working on alternate harvest restrictions for SFLOs for over 20 years. Our current science-based proposal has been in the Adaptive Management Program (AMP) for review since February 2015. The Forest Practices Board is expected to vote on the WFFA proposal for smaller buffers for SFLOs on **August 12th, 2020**. *Please save that date!* Ken Miller would like to send interested members short email update summaries as we wind our way through the rest of the AMP processes between now and August 2020. Please let Ken know you are interested in **Helping WFFA Help You** by contacting him at kenbonniemiller@gmail.com.



WFFA 2021 Annual Meeting

April 26-28 - Vancouver, WA

AM20 was postponed and we are happy to announce the AM21 dates have been finalized:

- Monday, April 26 – WFFA Executive Board Meeting and Informal Evening Gathering
- Tuesday, April 27 – WFFA Annual Meeting
- Wednesday, April 28 – Field Tour

We will have our same great hosts (the Cowlitz and Clark Chapters), the same great program (focused on growing trees), the same great venue (the beautiful Heathman Lodge) and we are working on a new and improved Field Tour. We will keep you updated when we have more details regarding AM21 and registration; check our wafarmforestry.com website for updates. Again, thank you all for your support in making the decision to postpone the 2020 Annual Meeting due to the COVID-19 pandemic. We look forward to seeing you all in April 2021!



WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF
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Forest Practices Application Submittals

The Department of Natural Resources is open for business, but it isn't business as usual. If you are planning to submit a forest practices application in the near future please see their website for further information. General information on the reasoning behind the changes is here:

<https://www.dnr.wa.gov/programs-and-services/forest-practices> and the specific operational changes are here: https://www.dnr.wa.gov/publications/fp_covid19_memo.pdf?456jo6. If you encounter difficulties, please reach out to WFFA (eonil@wafarmforestry.com) to discuss as we are tracking how well this works for our members.



WTFP Fall Seminar

Our partners at the Washington Tree Farm Program will be offering an online format for their Fall Seminar with digital sessions beginning in August or September. Contact Elizabeth (info@watreefarm.org) for more details.

Timber Clips

Please enjoy this [April 17 offering](#) of informative links prepared by Cindy Mitchell and our friends at WFFA.

WDR Domestic Mill Log Prices

Click [here](#) for the April 1 Western Washington Report Summary for domestic and export log price range averages.



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Northern Spotted Owl - Public Input Request

The Northern Spotted Owl is in the news again. This will provide an opportunity for public input into a process that might be in your back yard. Click on this link for more information: <https://amforest.org/federal-government-agrees-to-reevaluate-northern-spotted-owl-critical-habitat-after-supreme-court-ruling/>



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Family Forest Owners Educational Opportunities

WSU Extension Forestry and the Washington State Department of Natural Resources partner to offer many forestry-related courses. Contact Andy Perleberg at 509-667-6540 or andyp@wsu.edu for more information. [Click here](#) for the complete listing of upcoming education/networking events for SFLOs.

Forest and Rangeland Owners Field Day (details coming!)
- Chewelah, 6/26

Family Forest Field Day (details coming!) - Winlock, 8/22



Stay Home, Stay Safe and Stay Healthy - Reminder from your WFFA Staff and Officers

Your **Health** is Your **Wealth**

WFFA is working to ensure our members are safe and healthy during the COVID-19 pandemic and associated quarantine. We appreciate your support and understanding as we have postponed or cancelled several of your State and Chapter events. Please be sure to check our wafarmforestry.com website and look for emails regarding upcoming event scheduling. As we all work through this evolving response, social distancing and health protocol, remember to have grace for everyone - we do not know how this crisis is affecting each and every one of us differently. We will get through this. In the interim, be well and enjoy the beautiful moments of spring that are reminding us that the season of growth, vigor, and bounty is upon us.

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