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2020 Washington State Primary Election

Key information regarding the CPL candidates...

WFFA Members,

The Commissioner of Public Lands is the elected official that heads the Department of Natural Resources – our primary interface with state government on all things related to our forest management. Because the position has such a significant impact on our forest land, we have received calls and emails from members requesting information on the Commissioner of Public Lands primary. It is a crowded field with [7 candidates listed](#); however, only three candidates (Franz/Pederson/Sharon) have submitted video presentations to the TVW voters guide. You can find that here: <https://www.tvw.org/2020-video-voters-guide/> Only two candidates ([Pederson](#) and [Franz](#)), as noted in this [Seattle Times report](#) from July 27, 2020, have raised any funds to implement a race should they make it into the top two during the primary election.

I encourage you to explore these resources in order to make an informed decision. And lastly, the primary closes next Tuesday (August 4th) so if you have forgotten that ballot in your pile of mail, now is the time to dig it out and send it off.

All best wishes,
Elaine Oneil, PhD
Executive Director



New WFFA Website to be Launched Soon!

WFFA is working to go live with our new and improved website. Look forward to a crisp new look, added features and easier accessibility for our members. We are pressing hard for a go live date of August 17th - this will mean the current site will go offline into maintenance mode August 15-17 for this upgrade. So check out the new wafarmforestry.com website after the 17th and let us know what you think!

WTFP Fall Seminar

Our partners at the Washington Tree Farm Program will be offering an online format for their Fall Seminar with three digital sessions in August and September:

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WFFA 2020 Annual Business Meeting Election Results

WFFA conducted our Annual Business Meeting elections via online and mail-in ballots. We successfully approved our Bylaws revision and welcome the following members to terms of service for 2020-21:

- Dick Alescio - President (Olympic Chapter)
- Court Stanley - 1st Vice President (Lewis Chapter)
- Ann Stinson - 2nd Vice President (Lewis Chapter)
- Paula Hopkins - Secretary (Pierce Chapter)
- Bill Scheer, Jr. - Treasurer (Lewis Chapter)

Thank you to all our WFFA members who took the time to offer your input on the future of WFFA by casting your vote.



WFFA 2021 Annual Meeting

April 26-28 - Vancouver, WA

Make plans to attend AM21:

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

Our Cowlitz and Clark Chapters will host our 2021 Annual Meeting. The focus will be on growing trees and will take place at the beautiful Heathman Lodge in Vancouver. We will keep you updated when we have more details regarding AM21 and registration; be sure to check our wafarmforestry.com website. We look forward to seeing you all in April 2021!



Forest Practices Application Submittals

<https://watreefarm.org/event/fall-forestry-online-seminar-timber-products/>
2.

<https://watreefarm.org/event/fall-forestry-online-seminar-emerging-markets/>

3.
<https://watreefarm.org/event/fall-forestry-online-seminar-special-forest-products/>

Click to [register](#) or contact Elizabeth (info@watreefarm.org) for more details.



WHA Virtual Annual Convention

Click [here](#) for the August 13 event flier and invitation to the silent auction or visit www.westernhardwood.org/2020.

Timber Clips

Please enjoy this [July 31 offering](#) of informative links prepared by Cindy Mitchell and our friends at WFFA.

WDNR Domestic Mill Log Prices

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



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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 (eoneil@wafarmforestry.com) to discuss as we are tracking how well this works for our members.



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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.

[The Genesis of a Forest – Understanding and Creating Early Seral Conditions](#) - 8/5/20

[2020 Forest Stewardship Webinar Series](#) - 8/11/2020 -
The four horsemen of the root disease apocalypse

[Fall 2020 Northwest WA Online Forest Stewardship Coached Planning Courses](#)

- Tuesday Course: 9/8-10/27
- Thursday Course: 9/17-11/5



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

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***Every sunset is also a sunrise; it
all depends on where you stand.
~Karl Schmidt~***

WFFA is working to ensure our members are safe and healthy during the COVID-19 pandemic. 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. We are all working through this evolving response, social distancing and health protocols; we will get through this. In the interim, be well and enjoy the beautiful moments of summer - walk the paths of your tree farm, feel the warm sun on your face and enjoy a more relaxed pace of life.

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