LEWIS COUNTY
FARM FORESTRY ASSOCIATION

Affiliated Chapter of Washington Farm Forestry Association

October 2026 Meeting

What: **Tour of Silvaseed Seed Processing Facility**

Who: **Kea Woodruff**

When: **October 20 5:30 pm** **NOTE EARLY START**

Where : **317 James Street, Roy, WA 98580**

Driving Directions:

- If traveling North on Hwy 507, turn LEFT at the Shell station in Roy.
- Or if traveling South on Hwy 507, turn RIGHT at the Shell station in Roy.
- Go over the railroad tracks, then turn RIGHT on James Street.
- Silvaseed is on the LEFT and it will be obvious at that point.
- Park in the gravel parking lot at the main office.
- Allow about an hour from Centralia/Chehalis. It is a longer-than-usual drive for some, so call another member and share the ride.
- WFFA members from other chapters are welcome to attend!

In January 2026, Kea talked to us about Silvaseed Company and their process of cone collection, seed cleaning and seedling production. She offered a tour of their seed processing facility, so we are doing a tour in October instead of our usual indoor meeting.

The tour will cover their cone and seed processing operations, so we will be seeing their "cone barn" where cones are stored and organized, the large progressive kiln where they essentially cook the cones to extract the seeds, then we'll move on to the seed building where the seed is cleaned, tested, and stored.

The tour will be mostly indoors except for moving between buildings. **Closed toed shoes are required.**

Summer Tours

Thanks to 4 members and their families who hosted us on Twilight Tours this summer. They were Bruce and Mary McDonald in June, Steve, Barb, Michael & Jennifer Grega in July for the picnic, Tom Treloggen and Staci Saunders in August and Don Studhalter in September. Tours are a wonderful time to socialize with old friends, get acquainted with new members, and see what others are doing with their forests.

Welcome to New Members!

Many of the members who have joined in 2026 have already attended meetings. We welcome them and encourage all the new members to attend future meetings. They are: Sherry Anderson & Thomas Nivision, Alexandra & Gene Cathey, John & Leigh Gower, John Nicholson, Carla Osterby, Deborah Peck, Alexandra Perl & Robert Mussler, Kari Rinehart, Lorna Smith & Carl Nelson, Don Studhalter, Dakota Vogel

November Awards Banquet

Plans for our annual banquet are underway. The raffle at the banquet is our only fund-raiser of the year. Most raffle items come from local businesses that sell products that we purchase, but if you would like to donate a raffle item, we would be delighted to have it. If possible, notify Donna Loucks (360-269-6171 or loucksd@localaccess.com) prior to the event so that she can have a raffle jar ready, but you can also just bring something on the evening of the banquet.

Upcoming Meetings

November 17: Annual Awards Banquet, Veterans Memorial Museum.
Reservations required. Watch for the form in the November newsletter
December: No meeting