



## 2025 Forest Stewardship and Landowner Assistance Committee Annual Meeting

October 14-15, 2025 | Virtual | Hosted by Washington State

**Attendees:** Forest Stewardship and Landowner Assistance Committee members and partners

Tuesday, October 14	
9:00 - 9:30 a.m.	<b>Meeting Welcome and Agenda Overview</b> <i>Matt Provencher - Service Forestry Program Manager &amp; Committee Chair; WA DNR</i> <i>George Geissler - WA State Forester</i> <i>Kelly Norris - WY State Forester and Committee State Forester Advisor</i>
9:30 - 10:00 a.m.	<b>CWSF Organizational and Policy Updates</b> <i>Neil Simpson - Director of Policy; Council of Western State Foresters</i>
10:00 - 10:30 a.m.	<b>Washington's Certified Burner Program</b> <i>Kyle Lapham - Certified Burner Program Manager; WA DNR</i>
10:30 - 10:40 a.m.	<b>Break</b>
10:40 - 11:40 a.m.	<b>Kalispel Forest Stewardship: A Tribal Perspective</b> <i>Ray Entz - Director of Wildlife and Terrestrial Resources; Kalispel Tribe of Indians</i>
11:40 a.m. - 12:10 p.m.	<b>Avista/DNR Fuels Mitigation Agreement</b> <i>Brett Beagley - Wildfire Program Specialist; Avista Utilities</i>
12:10 - 12:20 p.m.	<b>Break</b>
12:20 - 12:50 p.m.	<b>Avoided Conversion in Washington</b> <i>Andrew Spaeth - Environmental Planner; WA DNR</i>
12:50 - 1:00 p.m.	<b>Wrap Up</b> <i>Speaker/Facilitator: Matt Provencher</i>



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Wednesday, October 15, 2025	
9:00 - 9:45 a.m.	<b>Federal Updates</b> <i>Aaron Lumley - USFS</i>
9:45 - 10:15 a.m.	<b>NASF and Forestry Partnership Coordinator Updates</b> <i>James Wright - Forestry Partnership Coordinator; National Association of State Foresters</i>
10:15 - 10:30 a.m.	<b>Break</b>
10:30 - 11:15 a.m.	<b>Watershed Protection in Colorado</b> <i>Weston Toll - Colorado State University</i>
11:15 a.m.- 12:15 p.m.	<b>Group/Breakout Discussion</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>Name a top program success in your state this year.</i></li><li>• <i>Name a top program concern in your state this year.</i></li><li>• <i>What are the top partners you work with in your state? Are there different partners in different regions of your state? Anything we can do to engage partners or bring additional partners to the table?</i></li><li>• <i>Is there an item or topic you would like the committee to work on or focus on over the next year?</i></li><li>• <i>Is there something the committee could do to provide more value to you and your state?</i></li></ul>
12:15 - 12:30 p.m.	<b>Break</b>
12:30 - 1:00 p.m	<b>Regular Meeting and Wrap Up</b> <i>Speaker/Facilitator: Matt Provencher</i>