



Council of Western State Foresters
2021 Fall Meeting | Agenda
 November 16-18, 2021 | Troutdale, OR

Invited Attendees: Western State and Pacific Island Foresters, Council of Western State Foresters’ Staff, National Association of State Foresters’ Staff, Invited Speakers

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 16

7:00 – 8:00 a.m.	Breakfast (provided)
8:00 – 8:30 a.m.	Welcome and Introductions Tom Claeys (ND, CWSF Chair)
8:30 – 9:45 a.m.	State Forester Roundtable Moderator: Tom Claeys (ND, CWSF Chair)
9:45 – 10:15 a.m.	Break
10:15 – 11:30 a.m.	State Forester Roundtable Moderator: Jason Hartman (KS, CWSF Incoming Chair)
11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.	Lunch (provided)
1:00 – 2:45 p.m.	State Agency Employees’ Health and Wellness Moderator: Thom Porter (CA)
2:45 – 3:15 p.m.	Break
3:15 – 4:55 p.m.	Partnering with the USDA Forest Service - Opportunities and Challenges Moderator: Sonya Germann (MT, CWSF Past Chair)
4:55 – 5:00 p.m.	Announcements and Adjournment for the Day Tom Claeys (ND, CWSF Chair) and Laura Schweitzer (CWSF)
Evening	Dinner (on your own)



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WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 17

7:00 – 8:00 a.m.	Breakfast (provided)
8:00 – 8:10 a.m.	Welcome and Agenda Overview Tom Claeys (ND, CWSF Chair)
8:10 – 9:30 a.m.	National Policy Update and Western Policy Priorities Dialogue Presenter: Danielle Okst (CWSF)
9:30 – 10:00 a.m.	Break
10:00 – 11:00 a.m.	USDA Forest Service State and Private Forestry Update and Dialogue Presenter: Jaelith Hall Rivera (Deputy Chief, State and Private Forestry, USDA Forest Service)
11:00 – 11:30 a.m.	Preparing for the Next Farm Bill Presenter: Kelsey Delaney (CWSF)
11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.	Lunch (provided)
1:00 – 2:45 p.m.	Addressing Current Challenges and Future of State Agency Workforce Moderator: George Geissler (WA)
2:45 – 3:15 p.m.	Break
3:15 – 4:55 p.m.	Returning to In-Person Work – Challenges and Opportunities Moderator: Kacey KC (NV)
4:55 – 5:00 p.m.	Announcements and Adjournment for the Day Tom Claeys (ND, CWSF Chair) and Laura Schweitzer (CWSF)
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THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 18

7:00 – 8:00 a.m.	Breakfast (provided)
8:00 – 8:10 a.m.	Welcome and Agenda Overview Tom Claeys (ND, CWSF Chair)
8:10 – 8:30 a.m.	CWSF Financial Report and 2022 Budget Presenter: David Smith (HI, CWSF Treasurer)
8:30 – 9:30 a.m.	Infrastructure Bill Dialogue Guest Participant: Brian Ferebee (Chief Executive of Intergovernmental Relations, USFS) Moderator: Laura Schweitzer (CWSF)
9:30 – 10:00 a.m.	Break
10:00 – 10:55 a.m.	Parking Lot for Items Identified for Additional Discussion Moderator: Kelsey Delaney (CWSF)
10:55 a.m.	Meeting Wrap-up and Adjournment Tom Claeys (ND, CWSF Chair)
11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Lunch (provided)
12:00 p.m.	Western Forestry Leadership Coalition (WFLC) Meeting Begins
4:00 p.m.	WFLC Meeting Adjourns
