

# WCC Meeting, August 29-30, 2023

Tuesday August 29 WCC Meeting/Field Trip

University of Idaho Sandpoint Organic Ag Center (SOAC)

8:00 am	Check in to the SOAC center
8:15 - 8:30am	Introductions and icebreaker
8:30 – 8:45am	Agenda overview and recap of the objectives of the WCC
8:45 – 9:45am	Report out on recent and ongoing multi-state collaborations
9:45 – 10:00am	Break
10:00am – noon	Impact Statement Workshop: <i>Sara Delheimer</i> , Program Coordinator for Multistate Research Information Management and Impact Communications Program (via Zoom)
Noon – 1:00pm	Pizza Lunch (delivered from Second Avenue Pizza- call them 1 week before to set up]
1:00 – 1:45pm	Updates from NIFA: <i>Diomy Zamora</i> , National Program Leader for Forest Resources Management, National Institute of Food and Agriculture
1:45pm	Conclude and prepare for field tour
2:00	Travel to McArthur Lake Wildlife Corridor
2:30 pm	<p>The <b>McArthur Lake Wildlife Corridor</b> (MLWC) links the Selkirk and Cabinet mountains, and is used by many species, including black bear, Canada lynx, elk, gray wolf, grizzly bear, moose. The corridor supports six species that are federally listed (or candidates) and many others that are rare and sensitive. In the spring and early summer, it is a natal area for several species of ungulates, who are at risk as they move around and cross the highway. The area has the greatest number of collisions with wildlife in Idaho. There is limited opportunity for creating safe wildlife crossings due to the difficult terrain. Conservation groups have been active in obtaining easements on timber land to prevent further development in the corridor while allowing sustainable forestry. For more information on the site and maps of the area, go to <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/McArthur_Lake_Wildlife_Corridor">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/McArthur_Lake_Wildlife_Corridor</a>.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Hosted by <i>Kennon Mcklintock</i>, North Idaho Field Representative, Idaho Nature Conservancy, who is also a Tree Farmer and a forester who previously worked for multiple timber companies in the local area. Phone: (208) 267-8999 Email: <a href="mailto:kmclintock@tnc.org">kmclintock@tnc.org</a></li></ul>
3:15 – 3:30pm	Travel to Young Living Highland Flats Tree Farm and Distillery

3:30 pm	<p>The <b>Young Living Highland Flats Tree Farm and Distillery</b> is one of the world's largest conifer essential oil distilleries. The distillery started producing essential oils from grand fir but has since expanded to produce essential oils from a wide variety of conifers. For more information on Young Living Essential Oils (which also has multiple locations internationally) go to <a href="https://www.youngliving.com/us/en/farms/highland-flats-tree-farm-distillery">https://www.youngliving.com/us/en/farms/highland-flats-tree-farm-distillery</a>.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hosted by <i>Todd Hittle</i> and <i>Michael Carter</i> Phone: (208) 290-8216 Email: <a href="mailto:thittle@youngliving.com">thittle@youngliving.com</a></li> </ul>
5:00 pm	Travel back to Sandpoint
5:30 pm	Supper on your own in Sandpoint

## Wednesday August 30 Field Trip

8:00 am	Depart from SOAC, travel to Spirit Lake City Park
8:45 am	Spirit Lake City Park (restroom stop, stage for drive to AMAT site)
9:00 am	Travel to Spirit Lake AMAT site
9:30 am	<p><b>North American Assisted Migration Trials (AMAT)</b>, an effort led by the British Columbia Ministry of Forests with a host of cooperators throughout the United States and Canada. The AMAT project collected seed from 15 different species and 48 different seed sources from Canada and the United States Pacific Northwest and planted them at 48 sites between the Yukon and northern California. <a href="https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/industry/forestry/managing-our-forest-resources/tree-seed/forest-genetics/seed-transfer-climate-change/assisted-migration-adaptation-trial">https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/industry/forestry/managing-our-forest-resources/tree-seed/forest-genetics/seed-transfer-climate-change/assisted-migration-adaptation-trial</a></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Paul Buckland</i>, Inland Empire Paper Company (509) 720-5821 <a href="mailto:paulbucklnad@iepc.com">paulbucklnad@iepc.com</a></li> <li><i>Frank Morado</i>, Idaho Master Forest Stewards (425) 238-0756 <a href="mailto:jfmorado@gmail.com">jfmorado@gmail.com</a></li> </ul>
10:15	Travel to Scattered Lands Fuel Break
11:00 am	<p>The <b>Scattered Lands Hazardous Fuels/Shared Stewardship Focal Area</b> is an award-winning shared stewardship effort of fuel breaks and other treatments on multiple intermixed ownerships. The stop will include a visit to fuel break and some "Good-Neighbor Authority" (GNA) work, whereby the Idaho Department of Lands is setting up and implementing contracts for treatments on USFS lands. For more information, see: <a href="https://www.idl.idaho.gov/noboundariesforestry/scattered-lands-hazardous-fuels-project">https://www.idl.idaho.gov/noboundariesforestry/scattered-lands-hazardous-fuels-project</a> .</p>
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11:45 pm	Travel to lunch site
12:00 pm	Lunch (Spirit Lake City Park)
12:45 pm	<p>Travel to Scattered Lands Good Neighbor Authority site</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Note the Silvopasture on the right side of the road (see map) This site was thinned to leave the dominant larch, then drilled with grass seed in the understory</li> <li>• Most of the thinning and seed tree/shelterwood sites you see along this drive were done on USFS parcels under the under the Good Neighbor Authority</li> </ul>
1:00 pm	<b>Scattered Lands – Good Neighbor Authority (GNA) Treatments</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Andrew Moore</i>, Lands Program Specialist - GNA Idaho Department of Lands Cell: (208) 217-3402 Office: (208) 263-5104 Email: <a href="mailto:amoore@idl.idaho.gov">amoore@idl.idaho.gov</a></li> <li>• Barry Dexter, Stimson Lumber</li> </ul>
1:45 pm	Travel to Priest River Experimental Forest
2:30 pm	<p>In 1911 the <b>Priest River Experimental Forest (PREF)</b> was among the first sites to be set aside by the USFS for the purpose of conducting forest research. We will be looking at permanent plots that have been measured every 10 years for over 100 years and were instrumental in developing one of the first stand growth and yield models (“Prognosis”, which was eventually merged to “forest vegetation simulator”), huckleberry microsite research, hybrid Douglas-fir trials, and forest regeneration research.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Hannah Basham</i>, Superintendent Forester USFS Priest River Experimental Forest p: 208-448-1793 <a href="mailto:hannah.basham@usda.gov">hannah.basham@usda.gov</a></li> <li>• <i>Terrie Jain</i>, USFS Rocky Mountain Research Station (retired) (208) 883-2331 <a href="mailto:theresaj@turbonet.com">theresaj@turbonet.com</a></li> <li>• <i>Jason Reinhardt</i>, USFS Rocky Mountain Research Station (208) 882-3557 <a href="mailto:jason.reinhardt@usda.gov">jason.reinhardt@usda.gov</a></li> <li>• <i>John Byrne</i>, USFS Rocky Mountain Research Station (208) 883-2363 <a href="mailto:john.c.byrne@usda.gov">john.c.byrne@usda.gov</a></li> </ul>
4:00	Travel from PREF to Sandpoint
5:00	Arrive in Sandpoint

