

Whether you own a “home in the woods” or many acres of land, this “out in the woods” educational event is packed with practical “how-to” information that you need to know.

Stewarding land is both rewarding and challenging. Successful management is due to the decisions you make and the actions you take. Attending the **Forest and Range Owners Field Day** will prepare you to plan and execute sound practices, enabling you to accomplish your management objectives, reduce risks, and protect your financial investment.

This event will include classes and activities lead by experts in forest and range health, wildlife habitat, grazing, soils, fire protection, and timber and non-timber forest products. Presenters will be available to answer questions specific to your needs and situation. Youth activities are available throughout the day!

Come join the more than 10,000 satisfied families who have already experienced these Field Day events across the state. If you think forests and range lands are vital to the quality of life in Washington, please pass this information along to your neighbor! This flyer is available at <http://forestry.wsu.edu>

*Absentee forest and rangeland owners with property anywhere east of the Cascades will find this event highly beneficial.*

### Event Sponsors and Cooperators

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Washington Cattlemen’s Association  
Washington Farm Forestry Association  
Washington Farm Bureau

### Schedule

- A detailed schedule of presentations will be available on June 1 at <http://forestry.wsu.edu> or your local WSU Extension office.
- Gates open at 8 am.
- Presentations at 9 am, 10 am, 11 am, 1:30 pm, 2:30 pm, and 3:30 pm.

### About the Site

- Parking adjacent to presentation stations.
- Portable restrooms, coffee, refreshments, and drinking water are available on-site.
- Seating provided at presentation stations and lunch area.
- Walking short distances over nearly-level forested terrain is required. Dress for the weather and wear sturdy footwear.
- There will be vendors and displays.

### Lunch

- On-site BBQ lunch to benefit the Future Farmers of America (\$10). *Must be ordered no later than June 14.* Or, pack a lunch.

### Directions

**Fire Springs Ranch  
Residence of Mark and Rae Morris  
64 Fire Springs Rd.  
Tonasket, WA**

- From Hwy 97, go east on Jonathan St. NE. Jonathan turns into Havillah Rd. Continue east approximately 14 miles. Turn left (north) on Dry Gulch Ext Rd, then left (west) on Swanson Mill Rd/Mt. Hull Rd. Take slight right on to Forest Service 3525 Rd, then another slight right on Fire Springs Rd to field day site.  
**Follow the Signs!**

### Information

- Andy Perleberg, WSU Extension Forester (509) 667-6540, [andyp@wsu.edu](mailto:andyp@wsu.edu)

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*This program will help you protect and enhance your rural lifestyle, the health and beauty of your forest and range, and your financial investment.*

*If you own land you won't want to miss the*

# FOREST AND RANGE OWNERS FIELD DAY

INFORMATION & REGISTRATION

**Saturday, June 22, 2013**

Gates open at 8 am  
Program: 9 am–4 pm



**Fire Springs Ranch  
Tonasket (Havillah), WA**

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# FOREST AND RANGE OWNERS FIELD DAY TOPICS

- **Chainsaw Safety and Maintenance (2 hours)**—This hands-on safety program will teach you life and limb saving techniques, as well as how to care for your engine, chain, and other components.
- **Controlling Wildlife Damage**—Just about the time your trees are too big for voles to girdle, deer to browse down, and porcupines to chew out the tops, a bear comes along and kills it. Learn tools for protecting your trees from seedling to saw log.
- **Counting and Measuring Trees (2 hours)**—Learn how to measure the heights and diameters of your trees and determine the density and volume of your forest to help meet your objectives.
- **Eastern Washington "Forest Health Hazard Warnings"**—The Commissioner of Public Lands has declared a Forest Health Hazard Warning for portions of Okanogan, Ferry, Yakima, and Klickitat counties. Come learn about what you can do to protect and improve the health of your forest, and learn about programs available to help you accomplish your forest health objectives.

*"My husband and I, and our kids, learned a lot and had fun doing it. Everyone who owns forest land should attend one of these events!" ~2010 participant*

- **Forest Health**—Learn how to identify and manage your forest in the presence of common insects, diseases, and other problems. Attend the Hands-on session and take home a nifty tool for assessing forest health risk!
- **Tree and Shrub Identification**—Learn the most frequently encountered woody plants in your forest, focusing on trees and shrubs.
- **Forest and Range Security and Safety**—What you must know to keep yourself and your land safe from the bad guys running around out there.
- **Forestry Taxes: Current Use Property Taxation and Timber Excise Taxes**—Tips on how to reduce the tax burden on your forestland, and the taxes due after selling timber.
- **Understanding and Enhancing Riparian and Fish Habitat (2 hours)**—Learn about streamside vegetation, in-stream habitat, and activities you can implement to improve fish and wildlife habitat and protect water quality. Learn how to improve fish passage under roads on your property, and get information on financial assistance available to help landowners implement these improvements.

- **Introduction to Forest Ownership with "Forest Dan"**—Are you a new forestland owner, or would you like some general information on where to go for help? This orientation is a great place to start and get questions answered.
- **Is My Rangeland Healthy?**—Healthy rangeland is productive and profitable rangeland. Whether you are exporting beef from a native ecosystem or not, there are a long list of ecosystem goods and services provided by healthy rangelands. Find out how to objectively evaluate the health of your land and respond constructively if it is in poor condition.
- **Landowner Assistance Programs**—Learn about financial and technical assistance programs created to help you continue to accomplish management goals.



- **Management of Invasive Plants with Bio-control Agents**—There are a variety of beneficial insects that can be utilized in your management system to control noxious weeds. Come learn how you can get your hands on some of these helpful critters.
- **Native American Uses of the Land**—A variety of plants, animals, and other materials have sustained the lives and customs of Native Americans for thousands of years. Learn how to identify, use, cultivate, protect, and share these important cultural resources.
- **Noxious Weed Control**—Learn how to identify and control common weed species on forest and range lands.
- **Realities of Selling Timber and Working with Consulting Foresters**—Thinking about logging? What is your fair share? Is a handshake good enough? There's much more to a successful timber sale than meets the eye.

*Some topics may change. Youth activities available all day!*

- **Protecting Your Forest from Wildfire**—Learn what you can do to protect your forest using traditional forestry practices, which provide multiple benefits for you and your forest.
- **Protecting Your Home from Wildfire**—It's "the little things" that generally lead to home ignitions—needles in the gutters, building materials, unscreened vents, etc. Fire brands can fly through the sky for thousands of feet, so even if you've done all the right things to reduce wildfire hazard on your own land, your home may still be at risk. Learn what you can do to protect your home from wildfire.
- **Rangeland Rehabilitation**—Learn how to improve rangeland and pasture in poor condition, including species selection for re-seeding, methods for site preparation and seeding that greatly improve success rates of dryland rehabilitation, and follow-up management to maintain plant health.
- **Site Preparation, Reforestation, and Early Plantation Care**—Includes how to prepare your site, seedling selection, planting technique, and follow up care to help ensure survival and growth.
- **Shiitake Mushroom Culture (2 hours)**—Interested in learning how to successfully grow shiitake mushrooms? Learn how to do it the right way from an expert.
- **Thinning and Pruning**—Even the trees you've planted can compete between themselves. Learn how to keep them properly spaced and healthy. Also, learn to use pruning to improve wood quality, wildfire resistance, and the attractiveness of your forest. Learn about tools of the trade for thinning and pruning.
- **Using and Selling Non-timber Products from Your Forest**—There's a lot more on your timberland than just trees for lumber. Get keyed in to opportunities for floral greens, essential oils, herbs, mushrooms, and understand how to recognize opportunities.
- **Wildlife Habitat Talk & Walk**—Take a stroll with a forest wildlife biologist to learn simple, effective strategies to improve habitat for wildlife on your property and integrate their needs into your forestry activities.
- **Using GPS to Navigate and Manage Land**—Learn how to make your GPS a useful tool to use on your farm. Subjects include applications of a GPS, types of appropriate GPS devices, how to gather GPS data, what to do with the data. Bring your own GPS, or use one provided during the session.

## Forest Owners Field Day

### REGISTRATION FORM

**SAVE \$10 before June 14, 2013!**

- Registration fee is \$20 per person, \$30 for a family of two or more. Registration on the day of the event is \$30 per person, \$40 for a family of two or more.
- Please return registration form with fee (check made payable to "Field Day") by Friday, June 14, to:  
WSU Extension  
400 Washington Street  
Wenatchee, WA 98801  
Phone: (509) 667-6540
- Refunds available until the day of the event.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

# of acres owned: \_\_\_\_\_

County of ownership: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ Individual registration/\$20 each \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ Family/\$30 group \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ BBQ lunch/\$10 each \$ \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ \_\_\_\_\_

#### Mobility assistance needed? Yes / No

Persons with a disability requiring special accommodations while participating in this program may call WSU Chelan County Extension, 509-667-6540. If accommodation is not requested in advance, we cannot guarantee the availability of accommodation on site.

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