



DRAFT 2024 WFLC & CWSF Fall Meeting

November 5-7, 2024 | Holiday Inn Missoula Downtown | Missoula, MT

Tuesday, November 5 Western Forestry Leadership Coalition Meeting	
Attendees: Western State and Pacific Island Foresters and senior staff, USDA Forest Service WFLC Members and Washington Office Leaders, and Invited Partners	
Attire: Business Casual	
Meeting Room: Garden City Parlor AB	
7:00 - 7:50 a.m.	Breakfast (Provided, Garden City Parlor CD)
8:00 - 8:30 a.m.	Welcome, Agenda Preview, and Introductions <i>Michiko Martin (USFS, WFLC Co-Lead) and John Erixson (NE, WFLC Co-Lead)</i>
8:30 - 9:00 a.m.	Local Welcome <i>Shawn Thomas (MT) and Leanne Marten (USFS)</i>
9:00 - 10:00 a.m.	USDA Forest Service Keynote
10:00 - 10:30 a.m.	Break
10:30 - 11:15 a.m.	Examining Opportunities for WFLC Partnerships
11:15 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	Policy Update <i>Neil Simpson (CWSF/WFLC)</i>
12:00 - 1:30 p.m.	Lunch (Provided)
1:30 - 2:30 p.m.	CWSF/WFLC Committee accomplishments/workplan approval <i>Committee chairs/representatives and CWSF/WFLC Staff Liaisons</i> CWSF/WFLC committee chairs will present short updates to CWSF/WFLC members about their respective committees' 2024 work plans, discuss proposed actions and tasks for 2025, and dialogue with members about key priorities and issues to maintain alignment with CWSF/WFLC member interests. This session will include the following committees: Urban and Community Forestry, Forest Stewardship, Forest Health, and Pacific Islands Forestry Committee.
2:30 - 3:00 p.m.	Next Steps: Fuels Reporting and Metrics



	WFLC meeting attendees will continue the dialogue from the 2024 Spring Meeting around USDA Forest Service fuels reporting requirements, performance metrics, and shared messaging and storytelling.
3:00 - 3:30 p.m.	Break
3:30 - 4:45 p.m.	Next Steps: Fuels Reporting and Metrics WFLC meeting attendees will continue the dialogue from the 2024 Spring Meeting around USDA Forest Service fuels reporting requirements, performance metrics, and shared messaging and storytelling.
4:45 - 5:00 p.m.	Wrap-up and Day's Adjournment <i>Michiko Martin (USFS, WFLC Co-Lead) and John Erixson (NE, WFLC Co-Lead)</i>
5:30 - 6:30 p.m.	Reception: Big Sky Atrium The reception will include the start of a two part USDA Forest Service Research & Development (R&D) interactive session showcasing applied science research relevant to WFLC and its members. WFLC members will have the opportunity to start conversations with R&D experts about their research, which will continue following the field tour on Wednesday morning.

Wednesday, November 6 | Western Forestry Leadership Coalition Meeting

Attendees: Western State and Pacific Island Foresters and senior staff, USDA Forest Service WFLC Members and Washington Office Leaders, and Invited Partners

Attire: Business Casual

Meeting Room: Garden City Parlor AB

7:00 - 7:50 a.m.	Breakfast (Provided, Garden City Parlor CD)
8:00 - 8:15 a.m.	Board Field Tour Vans and Depart on Field Tour Following breakfast, WFLC field tour attendees will board field tour vans and depart at 8:15 a.m. MT. Please be boarded by 8:15 a.m. MT.
8:15 - 10:30 a.m.	Field Tour to Montana Department of Natural Resources & Conservation Campus
10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	USDA Forest Service Research & Development Interactive Session Upon returning from the field tour, meeting attendees will engage in a continued USDA Forest Service R&D interactive session that showcases applied science research



	relevant to WFLC and its members. Please note that part of this session overlaps with the beginning of lunch.
11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.	Lunch (Provided)
12:30 - 1:30 p.m.	Partnering with USDA Forest Service Research Dialogue Following the interactive sessions highlighting examples of recent R&D work, WFLC members will engage in a dialogue to explore R&D alignment with WFLC priorities, ideas for future research that supports states and regions, and additional ways that R&D can help WFLC members.
1:30 - 2:30 p.m.	Planning for the Future of State and USDA Forest Service Forest Health Protection
2:30 - 3:00 p.m.	Break
3:00 - 4:45 p.m.	Western Forest Service and State Partner Discussions Break-out groups of USDA Forest Service and state personnel from each Western USDA Forest Service Region (States in more than one region, please select one discussion to attend; other partners – free time).
4:45 - 5:00 p.m.	Meeting Wrap-up and Adjournment <i>Michiko Martin (USFS, WFLC Co-Lead) and John Erixson (NE, WFLC Co-Lead)</i>
6:00 - 8:00 p.m.	Optional Offsite Event: Dinner at the University of Montana Stadium Club <i>Please note that pre-registration for this event is required.</i> The University of Montana Stadium Club is at 32 Campus Drive.

Thursday, November 7 Council of Western State Foresters Meeting and separate Western Forest Service Leaders Meeting	
Attire: Business Casual	
7:00 - 7:50 a.m.	Breakfast (Provided, Garden City Parlor CD) <i>All Attendees</i>



	<p align="center">CWSF Meeting <i>Garden City Parlor AB</i></p> <p>Attendees: Western State and Pacific Island Foresters and senior staff; State Forester associations’ staff and representatives (CWSF and NASF); and invited partners</p>	<p align="center">Western Forest Service Leaders Meeting <i>Montana Boardroom (RF) and Glacier (SPTF)</i></p> <p>Attendees: USDA Forest Service WFLC Members and Washington Office Leaders</p>
8:00 - 8:15 a.m.	<p>Morning Welcome and Agenda Overview <i>John Erixson (NE, CWSF Chair) and Danielle Okst (CWSF)</i></p>	<p>During this time, WFLC federal members will meet separately for western USDA Forest Service business.</p>
8:15 - 9:15 a.m.	<p>USDA Forest Service State, Private, and Tribal Forestry Updates</p>	
9:15 - 10:00 a.m.	<p>National Association of State Foresters (NASF) Update An NASF team member will share recent activities and updates on priority issues to state forestry agencies across the nation.</p>	
10:00 - 10:30 a.m.	<p align="center">Break <i>All Attendees</i></p>	
10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	<p>State Forester Lightning Round</p>	<p>USDA Forest Service business</p>
12:00 - 1:30 p.m.	<p align="center">Lunch (Provided) <i>All Attendees</i></p>	
1:30 - 2:15 p.m.	<p>State Forester Lightning Round</p>	<p>USDA Forest Service business</p>
2:15 - 3:00 p.m.	<p>CWSF Committee Workplans <i>Committee chairs/representatives and CWSF Staff Liaisons</i> CWSF committee chairs will present short updates to CWSF members about their respective committees’ 2024 work plans, discuss proposed actions and tasks for 2025, and dialogue with members about key priorities and issues to maintain alignment with CWSF member interests.</p>	



	This session will include the following committees: Good Neighbor Authority, Forest Products, and Western State Fire Managers.	
3:00 - 3:30 p.m.	Break <i>All Attendees</i>	
3:30 - 4:45 p.m.	Business Session (closed)	USDA Forest Service business
4:45 - 5:00 p.m.	Wrap-up and Meeting Adjournment <i>John Erixson (NE, CWSF Chair) and Danielle Okst (CWSF)</i>	

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