



Nisqually Community Forest Field Tour NW Community Forests Quarterly Meeting

June 10th - June 11th, 2019

UW Pack Forest Conference Center, Scott Hall
9010 453rd Street East
Eatonville, WA 98328

This gathering will bring together land trust staff, community members, elected officials, forest land managers, and conservation leaders from across Oregon and Washington to network, share success stories, and develop solutions to community forest management challenges. Topics include:

1. An introduction to the landscape and ecology of the Nisqually;
2. Forestry and working lands; and
3. Value of recreation, community engagement, and multiple uses.

After the field tour, please join us for a dinner at the UW Pack Forest Conference Center (<http://www.packforest.org/conference/>). Coalition leadership are invited to stay for the quarterly meeting held on-site Tuesday June 11th from 9-12. Onsite lodging in rustic cabins will be available through the event registration page.

The Nisqually Community Forest established in 2014 and recently completed Phase I of their project. The group has acquired nearly 2,000 acres to support the watershed with forest products; recreation, education, and job opportunities; and environmental benefits such as clean water, healthy wildlife habitat, and carbon sequestration. To learn more about the Nisqually Community Forest visit <http://nwcommunityforests.org/2018/10/19/fact-sheet-nisqually/>

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9:00 AM – 4:00 PM June 10th, 2019

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8:30am Doors Open

Coffee and light breakfast for overnight guests

9am Welcome

Jay McLaughlin, *Mt Adams Resource Stewards*

Ben Dair Rothfuss, *Sustainable Northwest*

9:30am Organize into field tour groups

Sandwich bar Participants select and pack sack lunch
Presented by the UW Pack Forest Center

Vans depart at 9:50 for Ashford, WA

10:30am Introduction to the Nisqually Community Forest

Justin Hall, *Nisqually River Foundation*

Joe Kane, *Nisqually Land Trust*

Chris Ellings, *Nisqually Indian Tribe*

History of the Nisqually Community Forest, underlying geology and soils, watershed processes and hydrology, salmon and anadromous fish, aquatic habitat, maps and geography.

11:30am Forestry

Kirk Hanson, *Northwest Natural Resource Group*

Andy Chittick, *Northwest Natural Resource Group*

Forest management planning, goals, strategies. Forest stands, operations, roads, drainage.

12:30pm Networking Lunch

Bill St. Jean, *Nisqually Indian Tribe*

Round robin introductions

2:00pm **Community Engagement**

Max Webster, *Washington Environmental Council*

What are the benefits of community forests and how do we think about community engagement? How to balance multiple uses (recreation & economic development)?

3pm **Return to Conference Center**

3:30pm **Wrap up and debrief**

After the day's activity, what have you learned? What lessons will you take home, and how will you apply them?

4pm **Adjourn**

4:30pm **Optional Discussion: WA Community Forest Trust Program**

6:00 **Networking Dinner**

Served at the conference center

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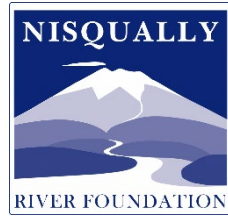
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Call-in option TBA

- 8:30am** **Breakfast for overnight guests**
Coffee and light breakfast
- 9am** **Welcome & round robin project updates**
Jay McLaughlin, Mt Adams Resource Stewards
- 9:30am** **2019 Washington legislative session recap**
- 10:30am** **Break**
Coffee and light bites
- 11am** **2020 strategic planning & coalition goals**
- 12pm** **Lunch and departure**

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