



Columbia Gorge CWMA Steering Meeting

August 29th, 2017

OSU Extension Office,
2990 Experiment Station Drive,
Hood River 97031

Attendees

Christina Meade, USFS

Emily Stevenson, Skamania County

Marty Hudson, Klickitat County

Sam Leininger, Clackamas SWCD

Sarah Hamilton, Columbia Gorge CWMA

Farm Bill Planning

Follow-up to our Farm bill planning meeting:

- ISEP: Emily hasn't contacted the venue about room reservations until we nail down a date. There is a flowering rush symposium in Spokane during NISAW. Sam suggests we keep the event during NISAW, despite the symposium. Some speakers might be impacted if we do. Christina contacted Linda Moore with the Region 6 restoration team. They would be excited to speak with us.
- STI: We are looking for a good venue in Hood River. Emily ran the 3 dates by Justin and he didn't have any issues with them. She will run them by Todd as well.
- Justin wants to make sure that we have APHIS pests and all taxa included in order to keep APHIS happy. There was a discussion about keeping it proportional with plants and other taxa, as most attendees are weed-oriented.
- Catering: Taco Pepe is available for catering at \$10-11 per plate. There was a suggestion to use an opt-in for the catering. Registrants would opt-in to the lunch when they register, and be charged accordingly, so as not to hike up the price too much. **Sarah will ask Pepe if they are still in if we only have 40 people opt-in.**
- There was a discussion about finding a way to replace boot brushes and get a billboard.

2018 Calendar

Sarah developed a calendar for 2018 based on 2017 with a few changes, and brought it to the group for discussion.



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- Decision: Move ISEP to the 1st.
 - Decision: October meeting will have costume contests and partner updates.
 - STI potential dates are May 19th, 6th and 12th
 - Decision: Drop June meetings

Financial Update

We will send invoices to partners in November.

Thank You Cards

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- Menucha: Chris Aldassy, Lynn Gibbons
 - ISEP: Lucas Nipp
 - STI: Todd Murray, Justin Bush, Jalene Littlejohn, Christina Mead, Cyndi Soliz
 - General meeting: Ray Willard

Next Columbia Gorge CWMA Steering Committee Meeting

October 31st, 2017

12:00-12:45