

Stop the Invasion: Weed Management 101

May 6th, 2017 Marine Park Pavilion Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area 395 SW Portage Rd Cascade Locks, OR 97014

8:00 Doors open for treats and coffee

8:30 What is Integrated Pest Management?

Todd Murray, Director, Agriculture & Natural Resources Program Unit, WSU

Todd will talk about invasive pest prevention, detection, and management so you can safeguard your property from these pests.

- Preventing the spread of invasive pests
- Early Detection and Rapid Response
- Integrated Pest Management

8:50 Introduction to Non-Plant Pests

Justin Bush, Coordinator, Washington Invasive Species Council Jalene Littlejohn, Lead Coordinator, Oregon Invasive Species Council

Justin will introduce folks to a variety of non-plant pests in our area, including (but not limited to) feral swine, bull frogs, New Zealand mud snails, and nutria. Jalene will discuss insects to watch out for.

9:30 Weed Identification

Christina Mead, Eastzone Botanist and Invasives Coordinator, Mt. Hood National Forest

Christina will provide an introduction to a few local species of weeds to be aware of, as well as the terminology and characteristics involved in identifying invasive plants. A the end of the talk, attendees will be able to recognize several local weed species and have a better understanding of how to determine other weeds of concern on their own.

Weeds Covered:

- Garlic mustard
- False brome
- Knotweeds
- Rush skeletonweed

9:50 Reporting Noxious Weeds

Jalene Littlejohn, Lead Coordinator, Oregon Invasive Species Council Justin Bush, Coordinator, Washington Invasive Species Council

So you found an invasive pest. Now what? Justin and Jalene will walk you through your options for reporting pests, both in Washington State and in Oregon. You may even qualify for help in getting them out of your yard or a natural area.

10:30 Break

10:45 How to Manage Your Weeds

Cyndi Soliz, Partnership Specialist, Skamania County Noxious Weeds

Cyndi will teach you how to best control some common invasive plants in our area. Control methods include hand pulling, mechanical controls (like mowing) and even some herbicide use. You decide the method that is right for your site.

- Invasive ivy
- Canada thistle
- Tansy ragwort
- Puncturevine
- Reed canarygrass
- Tree of heaven
- Scotch broom
- Blackberry

12:00 End