

Working Beavers Forum

Conference Agenda - Day 1

March 31, 2009

- 8:00 a.m. Registration & Breakfast
- 9:00 a.m. Introduction - Plenary Session
Summit Overview
Group Introductions
Presentation - Various Roles of Beaver
- 10:00 a.m. Ecosystem Services - Plenary Session
- 11:30 a.m. Slideshow - "Beavers' Historic Role in Stream Stabilization"
- 12:00 p.m. Lunch
- 1:00 p.m. Roundtable Session 1
The Role of Beaver in Water Storage
Challenges of Beaver Restoration: The Nuts and Bolts, and When Things Don't Go as Planned
- 2:30 p.m. Break
- 2:45 p.m. 20 Years of Live Trapping of Beaver
Presentation by Sherrie Tippie
- 3:45 p.m. Roundtable Session 2
Beaver and Ecosystem Services
What's Working: Stories from the field about beaver restoration
- 5:30 p.m. Field Trip
- 6:30 p.m. Dinner
- 7:30 p.m. Social Hour

Benefits provided by beaver dams include sediment retention, water storage, wetland restoration, flood attenuation, late season flow augmentation and much more.



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Conference Agenda - Day 2

April 1, 2009

8:00 a.m. Breakfast

8:30 a.m. Roundtable Session 3
The Role of Beaver in Water Storage
Challenges of Beaver Restoration: The Nuts and Bolts, and When Things Don't Go as Planned

10:00 a.m. Break

10:15 a.m. Roundtable Session 4
Beaver and Ecosystem Services
What's Working: Stories from the field about beaver restoration

11:45 a.m. Plenary and Closing
What did you get from the conference?
Follow-up actions for the group
Evaluations
Adjourn for lunch and head home

12:45 p.m. Lunch

Featured Presenters:

Sherrie Tippie - Expert in live trapping and relocation of beavers
Michael Pollock - NOAA Northwest Fisheries Science Center
Suzanne Fouty - Hydrologist with the Wallowa-Whitman National Forest
Trey Schillie - Ecosystem Services Specialist with USFS - Rocky Mountain Region
Mary O'Brien - Forest Project Manager with The Grand Canyon Trust
Charlie Ernst - Oregon Rancher encouraging beaver on his property
Mike Petersen - The Lands Council Executive Director
Ray Entz - Kalispel Tribe
Mark Buckley - Senior Economist with EcoNorthwest
Sarah Vickerman - Defenders of Wildlife
Jimmy Taylor - National Wildlife Research Center

The historic role of beaver as a major ecosystem engineer is well documented. Their ability to change the natural ecology of an area is rivaled only by man.

