



Washington Association of Conservation Districts

2023 Annual Meeting

Getting to Yes!

November 27-29
Wenatchee Convention Center
Wenatchee Washington



Washington State
**Conservation
Commission**

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WACD 2023 Annual Meeting

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Monday, November 27th Conference Events

8:30am – 6:30pm **Open Registration**

8:30am – 11:00am **Exhibiter Set-Up**

Red Lobby

9:00am – 11:50am **Focus on New Supervisors and New Managers**

Golden Delicious

If you are new to your conservation district leadership role, this session is for you. Meet new and experienced leaders. Discuss what it means to lead, govern, and manage, and explore issues in a relaxed, welcoming environment.

12:00pm – 1:00pm **Lunch for morning session participants and registered attendees w/ Cynthia Wilkerson, WDFW Lands Division Manager**

1:00pm – 1:45pm **Legislative Panel with Rep. Mike Chapman (D-Port Angeles) & Rep. Mike Steele (R-Chelan)**

Orchard Hall South

1:45pm – 2:15pm **FSA Executive Director Jon Wyss**

2:30pm – 3:45pm **Breakout Sessions on Natural Resources**

2:30pm – 3:00pm **WSU Least-Conflict Solar Siting** presented by Karen Janowitz

Orchard Hall South

2:30pm – 3:00pm **Dept of Natural Resources' Carbon Project** presented by Csenka Favorini-Csorba

Golden Delicious

2:30pm – 3:00pm **Burrowing Shrimp & Green Crab on Washington's Coast** presented by Mike Nordin

Gala 1

3:15pm – 3:45pm **Virtual Fencing** presented by Jordan Ryckman

Gala 1

3:15pm – 3:45pm **Ecology Cap and Invest Program** presented by Jihan Grettenberger and Adrian Young

Orchard Hall South

3:15pm – 3:45pm **6PPD-quinone in the Puget Sound** presented by Tanya Williams

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4:00pm – 4:45pm **Presentation/Discussion on 2024 Legislative Priorities with Brynn Brady/Tom Salzer**

Orchard Hall South

4:45pm – 5:15pm **Commissioner Candidate Forum for Central Area Representative**

Orchard Hall South

6:30pm – 8:30pm **Plated Dinner**

Grand Apple

Ballroom

WACD Award Presentations

Supervisor Years of Service Recognition

NRCS Award Presentations

Creating & Leaving a Legacy Recognition – Washington Conservation Society

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Tuesday, November 28th Morning Conference Events

7:00am – 8:30am

Grand Apple
Ballroom

Buffet Breakfast Available

8:30am – 9:00am

Orchard Hall South

Opening Ceremony & Welcome Messages

Master of Ceremonies: *Tom Salzer, Executive Director WACD*

Sarah Groth, Washington State Conservation Commission

Roylene Comes at Night, Natural Resource Conservation Service

Michael Crowder, National Association of Conservation Districts

Mike Mumford, Washington Association of Conservation Districts

9:00am – 9:30am

Orchard Hall South

“Why We Said Yes to Conservation” – A Cooperator Panel

9:30am – 10:30am

Orchard Hall South

Cultivating Effective Outreach While Staying True to Your Mission

Dr. Allen Sutton, Washington State University

10:45am – 12:00pm

District Operations Breakout Sessions

10:45am – 11:15am

Orchard Hall South

Social Media and How to do it Better

Laura Meyers & Nate Gallahan

10:45am – 11:15am

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Learning about Successful RCPPs a Panel Discussion

Walt Edelen, Jennifer Boie, Stephen Johnson, & Rich Edlund

10:45am – 11:15am

Gala 1

District Office Buildings presented by Vicki Carter

11:30am – 12:00pm

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Strategic Planning for Impact presented by Josh Monaghan

11:30am – 12:00pm

Gala 1

Sharing District Resources with Renee Hadley & Zorah Oppenheimer

11:30am – 12:00pm

Orchard Hall South

Why I Serve, an Associate Supervisor Panel with Pauline Hagen & Randy Kelly

12:00pm – 1:00pm

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Ballroom

Buffet Lunch w/ Dr. Elaine Oneil, Executive Director, Washington Farm Forestry Association

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Tuesday, November 28th Afternoon Conference Events

1:00pm – 2:45pm

Orchard Hall South

Washington State Conservation Commission Program Updates

3:00pm – 4:00pm

Orchard Hall South

Enduris Presentation

Joe Davis, Enduris Director of Risk Management and Member Relations

4:00pm – 5:00pm

Orchard Hall South

Board Self Evaluations

5:00pm – 6:00pm

Red Delicious

Washington Conservation Society Annual Meeting

5:30pm

Orchard Hall South

Washington State Conservation Commission Voting

Ballots will be sent to all supervisors electronically. A voting booth for the Conservation Commission's Central Representative will be manned by the WSCC Regional Managers.

6:00pm – 7:00pm

Grand Apple

Ballroom

Dinner Banquet

7:00pm – 8:30pm

Grand Apple

Ballroom

Annual Auction for Envirothon

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Wednesday, November 29th Conference Events

8:00am – 9:00am

Grand Apple
Ballroom

Buffet Breakfast Available

9:00am – 11:30AM

Orchard Hall

WACD Annual Business Meeting

Presiding: Mike Mumford, WACD President

- Roll Call of Member Districts in Good Standing
- Rules of Order & Meeting Procedures Briefing
- Approval of 2022 Business Meeting Minutes
- Public Comment Period
- Treasurer's Report for FY2022 & Report on Current Fiscal Year
- WACD Plant Materials Center Status Report
- Committee Reports to the Membership
- Resolutions as Recommended by the Natural Resources Policy Committee
- Resolutions as Recommended by the Legislative, Bylaws, and District Policies Committee

11:30am – 12:30pm

Grand Apple
Ballroom

Lunch Recess

12:30pm – end

Orchard Hall

WACD Annual Business Meeting

Presiding: Mike Mumford, WACD President

- Resolutions (Continued)
- Other Business (If necessary)
- Proposed Bylaw Changes (If necessary)
- Election of WACD Officers
 - Secretary (two-year term)
 - Treasurer (two-year term)
 - National Director (two-year-term)
- Adjournment

6:00pm

Washington State Conservation Commission Voting Ends

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Thursday, November 30th Conference Events

8:30am – 1:30pm

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WACD Leadership

2023 WACD Officers

Mike Mumford, President (Pend Oreille CD)
Amy McKay, Vice President (Whitman CD)
Barbara Bailey, Secretary (Underwood CD)
Dave Fenn, Treasurer (Lewis CD)
Doug Rushton, National Director (Thurston CD)
Jeanette Dorner, Past President (Pierce CD)

Northwest Area Directors

David Vliet, Kitsap Conservation District
Alan Chapman, Whatcom Conservation District

Southwest Area Directors

Lisa Zaborac, Grays Harbor Conservation District
Jerry Kolke, Clark Conservation District

North Central Area Directors

John McLean, Foster Creek Conservation District
John Preston, Grant County Conservation District

South Central Area Directors

Jack Clark, Benton Conservation District
Cindy Reed, North Yakima Conservation District

Northeast Area Directors

Jeff Schibel, Lincoln County Conservation District
John Floyd, Pend Oreille Conservation District

Southeast Area Directors

Mary Collins, Palouse Conservation District

WADE President

Cindy Pierce, Skagit Conservation District

WACD Mission

Put simply, our mission is why we are here, describing in the briefest terms the unique value that WACD provides:

WACD serves as the collective voice of conservation districts to help them achieve their purposes.

WACD Vision

The vision statement succinctly describes our ultimate desired destination:

WACD aspires to fully support conservation districts in their implementation of locally developed conservation programs.

WACD Principles

Principles are descriptions of our most fundamental values. Our values frame and support specific goals and strategic approaches. Principles/values should be evergreen: not changing from year to year. They form the firmament upon which to build annual work plans and the signposts to guide our decisions along the way.

Ten guiding principles are adopted:

- 1. We exist to advocate for, and support, member conservation districts.**
- 2. We serve people with dignity and respect, acting with integrity and operating with transparency and accountability to all.**
- 3. We continually seek to become more capable of serving members, including maintaining financial strength, enhancing board capacity, and improving staff capacity.**
- 4. We value and recognize our people for excellence in performance, including teamwork, innovation, timely completion of tasks, and support of others.**
- 5. Our responses to conservation issues are founded on proven methodologies and science.**
- 6. We form and support strategic partnerships to maximize our effectiveness and to reduce duplication of effort.**
- 7. We seek to conserve natural resources in the way we operate our organization.**
- 8. We believe in, and uphold, the practice of locally-led, voluntary, incentive-based conservation.**
- 9. Private lands – and those who steward them – provide unique and valuable conservation of renewable natural resources to be used today and by future generations.**
- 10. Because natural resources cross jurisdictional boundaries and ownerships, all lands – and the people and entities that manage them – are important in conserving renewable natural resources.**

2023 New Supervisors

Please welcome the following new Supervisors:

- Asotin County Conservation District – Jesse Calvin Green
- Central Klickitat Conservation District – Miland Walling
- Clallam Conservation District – Wendy Johnson
- Grays Harbor Conservation District – Heather Smith
- King Conservation District – Csenka Favorini-Csorba
- Lewis Conservation District – Bruce McDonald
- Okanogan Conservation District – Edd Townsend
- Pacific Conservation District – James Olsen
- Pierce Conservation District – Julie Warrick Ammann
- Pine Creek Conservation District – Tyson Carter
- Pine Creek Conservation District – Mitchel Jamison
- Pomeroy Conservation District – Luke Ledgerwood
- South Yakima Conservation District – Kristyn Mensonides

Supervisors with Years of Service

5 years

- David Bill, San Juan Islands
- Jonathan Birnbaum, Stevens County
- Alan Chapman, Whatcom
- Brian Cochrane, Franklin
- Gary Cook, Adams
- Jeff Geertsma, South Yakima
- John Hopkins, Pierce
- Tye Knebel, Columbia
- Peter Mercer, Eastern Klickitat
- Donna Moir, Lewis
- Ky Shinn, South Yakima
- Suzane Snyder, Whatcom
- Marshall Stowe, Wahkiakum
- Scott Williams, Pomeroy

10 years

- Chris Aldrich, Lewis
- Jim Baye, Lincoln County
- Steven Colvin, Okanogan
- John W. Floyd, Pend Oreille
- Jeffrey Pitmann, Pine Creek
- Dan Roseburg, Columbia Basin
- Jeff Schribel, Lincoln County
- Edward Videan, Wahkiakum

20 years

- Jeff Brunson, Kittitas County
- David Fenn, Lewis
- Randall Leestma, Pend Oreille

25 years - Mark Craven, Snohomish

30 years - Gerald Scheele, Spokane

40 years - Thomas McKern, Stevens County