FEBRUARY 5-7 2025

COEUR D'ALENE RESORT

Wednesday

Opening Welcome:

Presentations and Panel

Discussion On:

UNDERSTANDING BROADER
PERSPECTIVES & COMPARISONS

OF FOREST MARKETS

3.0 IPL Credits / 2.5 CFE Credits

Evening Social 5-7 pm

Thursday

MORNING KEYNOTE

Breakout Sessions:

Lunchs

IT'S A GREAT DAY TO BE A FORESTER

7.0 IPL/5.5 CFE Credits

Celebration 5-7 PM

Friday

Breakfast 7-8 AM

SFI UPDATES

CLIMATE SMART FORESTRY,

AND INTERNATIONAL

ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE

4.0 IPL/3.5 CFE Credits

Closing of Conference

Welcome to the 23rd Foresters Forum

This year will mark the 23rd annual Foresters
Forum hosted by Northwest Management, Inc. and
Riley Stegner and Associates LLC.

The Forum is dedicated to providing professional foresters the opportunity to focus on their professions, learn new ideas, techniques and technologies and share information. We are pleased to provide high quality, top-notch speakers from all over the nation.

Thank you for coming, we hope you enjoy this years forum.

Mark Corrao
Northwest Management, Inc.



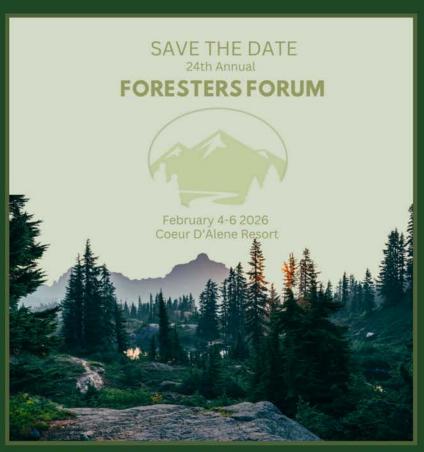


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Social Events

Wednesday Social

5pm to 7pm

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Celebration

5pm to 7pm



3.0 IPL Credits / 2.5 CFE Credits

1:00 PM Welcome Address

Mark Corrao of Northwest Management Inc & Riley Stegner of Stegner and Associates

1:15 PM Opening Panel Bay 5&6

Te Kapunga Dewes

Rocky Goodnow

David Elstone

Bill Higgins

2:25 -3:00 PM Coffee Break

3:00 PM Panel Discussion Continued

Te Kapunga Dewes , David Elstone, Rocky Goodnow, Bill Higgins

4:00 PM Lt. Governor of Idaho Scott Bedke

4:30 PM Wrap Up Q & A

5:00-7:00 PM Opening Social Bay 3



7.0 IPL Credits / 5.5 CFE Credits

8:00 AM Welcome Address Bay 4-6

Mark Corrao of Northwest Management Inc & Riley Stegner of Stegner and Associates and Idaho State Forester Julia Lauch

8:15-9:15 AM Samuel Wolkenhauer on Economic Outlook Morning Keynote

9:15-9:30 AM Break

Block I 9:30-10:25 AM

- Oregon Private Forest Accord with Seth Barnes -Bay 1 A&B
- 3-D Printing out of wood waste with Armando McDonald -Casco Bay
- Mechanized site-prep and planting with Mark Boisvert -Bay 2
- Climate Smart Forestry in Western Canada with Maurice LeBlanc Northcape

Block II 10:30-11:25 AM

- Interesting encounters in the woods with Brian Garrett -Northcape
- Type of Forest Products Creates the Most Value with Roy Anderson-Bay 2
- NZ Drone Based Cutover Woody Residue with Te Kapunga Dewes -Casco Bay
- I need good LiDAR, How do I get it ...? with Mike Perdue -Bay 1 A&B

11:30 AM-1:30 PM Lunch





Thursday PM February 6th 2025



7.0 IPL Credits / 5.5 CFE Credits

Block III 1:30-2:25 PM

- Exxon Forestlands and Low Carbon efforts with Joel Glaze -Bay 1 A&B
- Insects and Disease: Sharing is not Caring with Isabella Valdez -Northcape
- Forest management challenges with Bob Williams -Bay 2
- Single tree inventory and CSKT's usage of Lidar by Nizhoni Harvey-Casco Bay

2:45-3:00 PM Cookie and Coffee Break

Block IV 2:45-3:40 PM

- Tough times don't last, tough teams do with Tim McEntire -Bay 2
- Planting Projects with Carbon by Victoria Lockhart -Casco Bay
- Hardwood harvesting and operations with Ken Jones -Bay 1 A&B
- Fire Risk Models with Tucker Flaten-Northcape

Closing Block 3:45-5:00 PM Bay 4-6

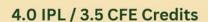
It's Great Day to be a Forester!
With Michelle Cole

5:00-700 Foresters Forum Celebration Event Bay 3-4





Friday February 7th 2025



7:00-8:00 AM Breakfast - Kidd Island

8:00AM -Bay 5-6

SFI Updates, Climate Smart Forestry, and International Environmental Compliance

- Gordy Mouw with SFI Updates
- Victoria Lockhart Carbon and Climate Smart Forestry

10:00-10:15 Break

- Rebecca Barnard on International environmental compliance
- Joel Glaze & Tamara McGillivray on ExxonMobil & Foresters -Locations, Feedstocks, & Growing Partnerships II

12:00 Closing Comments

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FORESTERS FORUM



February 4-6 2026 Coeur D'Alene Resort



2025 Forum Panel Speakers



Te Kapunga Dewes - CEO of Whenua Oho

Te Kapunga has over three decades of experience in the forestry, wood processing, and manufacturing industries. Presently, he serves as the CEO of Whenua Oho, a consultancy service offering advice and consultancy to Māori landowners, and Interpine Innovation, a company dedicated to integrating cutting-edge technology into today's forestry practices. Additionally, Te Kapunga holds positions on various Māori Trusts and government advisory groups and presides as the Chair of Nga Pou a Tane – TK has a passion for forestry and people.

The National Māori Forestry Association. His passion lies in generating economically viable opportunities for Māori Landowners in Forestry.



Bill Higgins- Idaho Forest Group

Bill Higgins is IFG's Director of Business Development. Bill has worked in the industry for over 30 years and has extensive experience in timber procurement, forest and manufacturing operations. He was part of the advance team that identified the Lumberton, Mississippi site for location of a new IFG sawmill and has continued operational oversight responsibility for the timber procurement function. Bill spent a dozen years with Boise Cascade in Washington State before returning to his native Idaho in 2006 as the Resource Manager for

Bennett Forest Industries brand new sawmill in Grangeville, ID. Bennet and Riley Creek Lumber merged to form Idaho Forest Group in 2008. Bill was a leader in IFG's timber procurement organization for the Idaho mills before transitioning to Business Development and the recent expansion to the US South. Bill holds a BS in Forest Products from the University of Idaho and an MBA from Washington State University. Bill is a US Navy veteran. He and his wife Diana reside near Lewiston, ID.

2025 Forum Panel Speakers



Rocky Goodnow - VP , North American Timber

Rocky Goodnow is Vice President of North American Timber Service at Forest Economic Advisors LLC. In this role, Rocky is responsible for FEA's outlook on the North American timber markets. Rocky leads the development of FEA's timber econometric models, which are used in the analysis of future demand on wood fiber resources, regional timber supplies and timber values. Rocky has been analyzing the North American timber markets for over 20 years. He is the primary author of FEA's Timber Quarterly Forecasting Service publications and is a contributor to other FEA publications. He has also co-author

numerous studies on a wide range of timber-related topics including timber supply, regional pulpwood markets, and international softwood log and lumber markets. In addition, Rocky has led numerous single-client projects analyzing timber markets in North America and abroad. Rocky holds a Master's degree in Forest Economics and Management and a B.S. in Forestry, both from Virginia Tech.



David Elstone Publisher and Consultant

David is a professional forester and a highly regarded forest industry expert with over thirty years of experience within the sector. David is the managing director of Spar Tree Group Inc., a consultancy firm, and the publisher of the View From The Stump newsletter as well as the associated blog, Right From The Stump. Prior to founding the Spar Tree Group, David was the executive director of the Truck Loggers Association (TLA), advocating on behalf of the businesses supporting the BC forest industry's supply chain. Before the TLA,

David worked for ten years as a senior financial analyst for ERA Forest Products Research, advising institutional investors, manufacturers, and governments on global forest product markets. In the earliest part of his career, David spent over a decade working in British Columbia's forests. David's consulting clientele and newsletter subscribers benefit from his unique background in BC forest policy and politics, the forest products sector and forest management by providing an independent perspective of the trends and issues affecting the British Columba forest industry. David has a Graduate Diploma in Business Administration from Simon Fraser University and a Bachelor of Science in Forestry from the University of British Columbia. For information on David Elstone, please review the following: www.spartreegroup.com www.viewfromthe stump.com www.linkedin.com/in/david-elstone-rpf-gdba-45934784 David can be contacted at david@spartreegroup.com or 604-740-281

2025 Forum Guest Speaker



Lt. Governor Of Idaho Scott Bedke

The people of Idaho elected Scott Bedke as the state's 44th Lieutenant Governor in November 2022. He officially took office on January 6, 2023. Scott is a proud Idaho native and a 4th generation cattle rancher. Born in Twin Falls and a graduate of Oakley High School, Scott's Gem State heritage stretches back even farther to the 1870s, when his great grandfather homesteaded in the Oakley Basin. After earning his Bachelor of Science in Finance from Brigham Young

University in 1981, Scott returned to his hometown where he was later elected to serve on Oakley's City Council. That first step into public service ignited Scott's passion for working with and for his community. It was in 2000 that Scott was elected as a Representative of District 27 to be a voice for the citizens of Cassia and Minidoka Counties. During his 11 terms in the Idaho State House, Scott served on the Joint Finance & Appropriations Committee, the Revenue & Taxation Committee, the Resources & Conservation Committee, and the Transportation & Defense Committee. He also chaired the Economic Outlook & Revenue Assessment Committee and served on the Credit Rating Enhancement Committee. In 2012, Scott was elected as the 41st Speaker of the House, a role that he held with such sensibility and civility that he became the longest-serving Speaker in Idaho's history. Scott is proud to have been directly involved in setting policies that make Idaho what it is today. Scott has been happily married to his wife, Sarah, for 43 years. Together the two are trying to keep up with their four children and 16 grandchildren. The 5th and 6th generations of Bedkes in Idaho are a big reason why Scott decided to run for Lt. Governor, to protect Idaho's future and to give back to the state that has given his family so very much. Scott is committed to maintaining the Idaho Way. While this includes a pledge for a limited

government, a quality education for every student, and a plan for our state's water supply, it also means keeping the values that matter most, like being a good neighbor, at the forefront.



Please mark your calendars for the 24th Annual

Foresters Forum
February 4-6th 2026

At the beautiful Coeur D'Alene Resort.

Registration is set to open in mid-November of 2025.

2025 Forum Keynote Speakers



Michelle Cole - Its A Great Day To Be A Forester!

Michelle Cole is an urban forestry veteran. She has worked for several organizations, including the Alabama Forestry Commission as an outreach forester, in the Forest Inventory and Analysis Program for the Tennessee Department of Agriculture, and even owned her own forestry consulting business Diversified Forest Operations. Since 2004, she started working at Auburn as an Extension specialist in Urban Forestry since then she has worked in various other roles such as Urban Forester partnership coordinator

and the Tree city USA coordinator, Michelle is currently an Academic Programs Administrator, academic advisor at Auburn University in Alabama, advising students in the natural resources and forestry fields and MANRRS advisor. Michelle is passionate about exposing young people to opportunities in natural resource related professions. Advises students on course selections, requirements for selected areas of concentration and post-college plans to help meet their educational needs and realize their scholastic goals. Conducts comprehensive academic, career, and other student support services. Applies in-depth and comprehensive knowledge in the resolution of complex situations. Serve as contact for undergraduate student related issues to NATR and FORY curriculum. Michelle concentrates on diversity in forestry and is trying to grow the next generation of scientists. Michelle takes active initiatives to increase undergraduate minority enrollment and underrepresented student groups to Auburn University to study natural resources and forestry and other stem fields. Branching out is what Michelle hopes the urban forestry industry as a whole will do. I want to see the urban forestry industry recruit and develop a team with diverse skills and backgrounds, and to give those team members the tools and space they can work in giving that space to a diverse group of people can grow their leadership potential. Michelle takes active initiatives to increase undergraduate minority enrollment and underrepresented student groups to Auburn University to study natural resources and forestry and other stem fields. She is a leader in the DEI, she promotes academic and professional advancement by empowering minorities in agriculture, natural resources, and related sciences.



<u>Samual Wolkenhauer - Breakfast Speaker</u>

Sam Wolkenhauer is a labor economist for the Idaho Department of Labor. In addition to providing economic insight and analysis on Idaho's economy, he manages several forecasting projects for the state, producing projections of Idaho's labor market and demographics. Prior to joining the State of Idaho, he earned degrees in economics and mathematics from Eastern Washington University.



Roy Anderson

Roy Anderson is Vice President of Business Development at The Beck Group, a forest products planning and consulting firm based in Portland, Oregon. Roy has a BS in forest management from the University of Wisconsin Stevens Point, a masters in wood science from the University of Minnesota, and a PhD in forest products marketing from Oregon State University. The Beck Group routinely helps clients understand the feasibility of forest products manufacturing businesses. Return To Log (RTL) values are

commonly used by forest products manufacturers to identify the log types that are most profitable at their mill and to strategically procure raw material. Roy will explain how The Beck Group has expanded the use of RTL values to compare the revenues, costs, and feasibility of a variety of forest products manufacturing technologies.



Seth Barnes

Seth is a professional forester with over 25 years of experience. From harvest layout and design to silviculture, Seth has a vast array of expertise in both field forestry and forest policy. He has been OFIC's director of forest policy since 2015. Prior to coming to OFIC, Seth served as the operations manager for the forest practices program at the Washington Department of Natural Resources. In addition to professional experience with both private landowners and state agencies, he also participated for many years as a wildland

firefighter on an incident management team. Seth has a Bachelor of Science in forest management from Oregon State University and attended graduate school at Washington State University for public administration and natural resource policy.



Mark Boisvert

Mark Boisvert has joined Quadco as the new Business Development Manager for Bracke and Mulching Attachments. In this new position, Mark will be instrumental in driving growth and innovation within Quadco's Bracke and Mulching divisions. Mark brings a wealth of experience and industry knowledge to the Quadco team, with over 25 years in oil & gas, mining, construction, logging and land clearing equipment, both from OEM and dealer levels.



Rebecca Boston

As the Forestry Certification Manager for Sappi North America, Inc. (SNA), Rebecca manages Sappi's FSC®, SFI® and PEFC Chain-of-Custody certificates, FSC Controlled Wood Certificate and SFI Fiber Sourcing Certificate. Rebecca provides training, support and strategic direction on certifications to Sappi staff and customers, domestically and globally. She also is leading SNA's U.S. Lacey Act compliance and strategic response and compliance efforts to the new European Union Deforestation Regulation (EUDR). Rebecca is an active member in the

society of American Foresters (SAF) and has served in a variety of state, regional and national leadership positions, including chairing SAF's National Committee on Forest Policy in 2020-2021. In 2025, Rebecca serves as Immediate Past President for SAF National. Rebecca has also recently served on the National Forest History Society Board of Directors (2022-2024). Prior to Sappi, Rebecca served as the National Forestry Programs Manager for the National Wild Turkey Federation (NWTF) from 2013-2017 and served on the Wisconsin NWTF State Chapter Board of Directors from 2022-2023. Rebecca also worked as the Forest Certification Coordinator for the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources from 2008-2013. Rebecca has a Bachelor of Science degree in Forest Ecosystem Restoration and Management from the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point and an MBA.



Tucker Flaten

Mr. Flaten began his career at Northwest Management in the fall of 2022, leveraging nearly a decade of fire suppression experience and a bachelor's degree in forest management and GIS from the University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point. Between 2014 and 2022, he worked for the US Forest Service, North Dakota Forest Service, and Nebraska Forest Service, including a significant portion of time in a leadership role on a BIA/State hand crew with the Standing Rock Reservation. Since 2021, he has coupled his fire suppression

knowledge with his degree in forestry to assist private landowners across Nebraska and Idaho to reduce hazardous fuels and harden their property against wildfire.



Foresters Forum Social Events Wednesday & Thursday

Social 5pm to 7pm

Celebration
5pm to 7pm



Brian Garrett

BJ Garrett grew up in Moscow, Idaho. He graduated from University of Idaho in 2003 where he commissioned in the United States Air Force. BJ flew the T-37, T-38/A, F-15C/D, and the F-22 for 20 years. He married his amazing wife, Tara, in 2011 and they have two amazing children, Kinley and James. He was the commanding officer for the 422d Test and Evaluation Squadron where all Operational Test is performed on A-10, F-16, F-15C, F-15E, F-35, and F-22 aircraft. As the commander, he was responsible for leading over 100 Airman

and managing 55 fighter aircraft testing new software, hardware and weapons along with new tactics for warfighters. BJ went on to become the Operational Test Director of the Next Generation Air Dominance family of systems and leading new methods for delivering capability for the future. He retired from the Air Force in 2023 and moved his family to Idaho where he now resides in Viola, Idaho. He currently works for Aeroflite Inc. where he flies the AVRO RJ85 delivering aerial fire retardant on wildfires across the country. His passion for the outdoors began at a very early age and BJ enjoys backpacking, camping, hunting, and fishing across the country. The mountains and forest have provided him and his family many memories and when he isn't training llamas, flying airplanes, or coaching sports, you will likely find him hiking through another patch of timber just to see what's is on the other side.



Joel Glaze

Joel an attorney, landman, and business development expert currently working as the Global Business Venture Manager at ExxonMobil's Environmental and Property Solutions Company (E&PS). He focuses on finding solutions to key challenges around land stewardship found in the cross-section of integrated real estate, ecological, and societal co-benefits. His focus on low carbon projects, carbon credit technologies, and geospatial strategies inform ExxonMobil's global land management practices.

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<u>Nizhoni Harvey</u>

My name is Nizhoni Harvey, I am a Dine woman from the clans Naasht'ézhí Tábaahí nishti (The Water's Edge Zuni People), Ta'neeszahnii bashishchiin (The Tangle people), Kin Łichíi'nii dashicheii (The Redhouse People), Naakaii Dine'é dashinalín (The Mexican People). I am from the Northern part of the Dine Reservation in Utah, but have made home here on the Flathead Indian Reservation for a few years now with my 3yr old son and partner. I achieved my Bachelor's of Science degree in Forest

Management from Salish Kootenai College and I am now the Inventory Forester with the Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes (CSKT) Tribal Forestry. Currently I am working on Aspen Restoration, helping restore the local Aspen ecosystems on the Reservation for ecological and cultural purposes. In my role as an Inventory Forester, I have been utilizing LiDAR data to help guide not only my Aspen Restoration efforts, but also assisting the timber sales team with future projects. I am fascinated by the technology that supports navigation for me collecting detailed information about the forest's structure and terrain. I look forward to my career assisting us foresters to make better decisions for forest treatments and management.



Ken Jones

I have worked in hardwood forestry for the last 11 years. Before that I worked for Shipp Construction, a logging and road building contractor for 23 years as an operations manager. I have learned alot about forestry during my work experiance and continue to grow and learn with in the industry. I am currently the Resource Manager at Cascade Hardwood Group for our Port Angeles WA and Chehalis WA mills.



Julia Lauch

Julia has more than 20 years of experience in wildland fire and forestry with state natural resource agencies. She spent 11 years with the Oregon Department of Forestry prior to joining IDL in 2011. She was the first South Idaho Fire Liaison, responsible for establishing the Rangeland Fire Protection Associations (RFPAs) in Idaho, beginning in 2013. Julia spent a couple of years as the Regional Operations Chief - South before taking two years off to stay home with her children while they were young. She returned to IDL in 2020 as the Deputy Fire Bureau Chief, Operations. Julia received

her Bachelor of Science degree in Forest Management from Oregon State University (Go Beavers!) but has considered Idaho home for quite a while now. Julia has thoroughly enjoyed fighting wildland fire across the west in many capacities. Growing up with an extended family of loggers, she is passionate about the importance of active forest management, safe and effective fire management, and ensuring that our forests continue to provide numerous benefits for Idahoans. Julia lives in Boise with her elementary-aged children, who keep her busy with an ever-growing interest in sports. As a family, they enjoy hiking, snow sports, and other activities that get them outdoors, enjoying the beautifully diverse natural environment.



Maurice LeBlanc

Maurice is a Forsite Business Development Specialist with a focus on crafting custom forest management products specific to clients' needs particularly in designing solutions to blend traditional methods with innovative enhanced forest inventories. Maurice seeks to expand Forsite's solutions offering through innovation and geographical reach. His diverse background of forestry knowledge having worked for industry, government, a leading global forestry software developer and self-owned consultancy.

Maurice spans a wide range of experiences covering most key aspects of forestry including strategic/operational planning, forest inventory valuations, policy, remote sensing, artificial intelligence, forest stewardship certification, and operational supervision



Victoria Lockhart

Victoria Lockhart leads The Climate Trust's Reforestation Program, managing TCT implementation of reforestation and afforestation projects with support from USDA Partnership for Climate Smart Commodities program. Victoria brings over 15 years of forest management and investment experience, with a focus on working with external partners on strategic initiatives for conservation opportunities and climate solutions. Victoria holds a Master of Forestry from the Yale School of Forestry and Environmental

studies, and a Bachelor of Science in Environmental Sciences from the University of Virginia. Victoria is a Registered Forester in Alabama, and a fellow of the National Conservation Leadership Institute. Victoria lives in Nashville, Tennessee, with her husband, son, and rambunctious dog, and enjoys exploring the outdoors with her crew.





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Armando Mcdonald

Armando McDonald is a University Distinguished Professor of Forest and Sustainable Products in the Department of Forest, Rangeland and Fire Science, University of Idaho (UI) with over 38 years' experience in wood, bioproducts and biomaterials research and development and has presented and published numerous articles. Armando came to UI in 2001 from New Zealand Forest Research, where he was a Group Leader of the Materials Discovery group. His time at UI is devoted to mainly research and teaching with some

extension/service activities. He teaches classes in Biocomposites, Biomass Chemistry, and Bioproducts and Bioprocess Development. Dr. McDonald has a research group of 8 graduate students and a post-doctoral scholar, has graduated 12 Ph.D. students and 20 M.S. students, and hosted 15 International visiting scholars in his Renewable Materials Laboratory. Dr. McDonalds' group is currently investigating: (i) bioplastics from lignin, bark and other waste streams.(ii) biocomposites and additive manufacturing, (iii) sorghum and corn stalk chemistry and properties, (iv) biofuels from pyrolysis of biomass and plastics, (v) biomass conversion into chemicals, (vi) torrefaction of biomass and plastic waste, and (vii) natural products chemistry. Furthermore, Dr. McDonald also works with industry from service work to product development projects.



<u>Tamara McGillivray</u>

Tamara is the Lead of New Pursuits for Imperial / ExxonMobil Low Carbon Solutions organization responsible for strategy and project development on waste-based biofuels and biogenic CO2. Prior to this, Tamara had one year of experience in the Biofuels Team with ExxonMobil Low Carbon Solutions in Houston. Tamara was responsible for building ExxonMobil's 2nd generation bio feedstock portfolio with a focus on acquisition of woody biomass, municipal solid waste, and renewable natural gas. Prior to joining Low Carbon

Solutions Tamara acted as the Lead for the Western Canadian Fuels Value Chain responsible for working with a team to guide profitability of the Strathcona refinery, while working alongside the canola (and other fats and oils) fed Strathcona renewable diesel facility team. During this time, Tamara worked with government on the advocacy of sustainable fuels approach, including both sustainable aviation fuels, and very low sulfur fuel oils/bio methanol for marine application. Tamara has 18 years' experience with Imperial/ExxonMobil, and 8 years of experience with General Motors.



Tim MacEntire

Tim is the Northwest Regional Representative for the Montana Logging Association and is based out of the MLA office in Kalispell. He makes loss control visits to participating MLA members and handles the federal policy for the association. Before working for the MLA, Tim spent 22 years working and managing his family's mechanical logging operation. During that time he worked on numerous Montana DNRC, USFS and private timber sales. Tim currently serves on the board of the Intermountain Logging Conference, American Forest Resource Council, A.L.E.R.T Foundation and is the current President of Northwest Montana HOO-HOO.



Gordy Mouw

Gordy engages the SFI community to leverage the work of SFI Implementation Committees across the U.S. and Canada. He focuses on demonstrating the value of this work for SFI Certified Organizations. His career in forest certification began in 2004 and includes experience on both sides of the border. He led certification efforts that implemented chain-of-custody, fiber sourcing and forest management certifications at Stora Enso, NewPage and Verso. Gordy previously had served on 11 different SFI Implementation

Committees throughout the Great Lakes region, the U.S. East Coast, and the Southeast. Gordy is a graduate of Michigan Technological University's School of Forest Resources and Environmental Science. Gordy enjoys hunting, fishing, and spending time with his family enjoying the outdoors.



Mike Perdue

Mike has been in the Geomatics industry for 25 years and has a diverse background in the field. Starting his career as a land surveyor in the Oil and Gas Fields of Western Canada, Mike transitioned to Aerial Surveys in 2004. Mike's experience within the Aerial survey industry has been focused on LiDAR and runs the full gamut, doing everything from sensor operation through data processing, Project Management and Operations Management. He spent time working for an OEM manufacturer as the Director of Customer Service managing

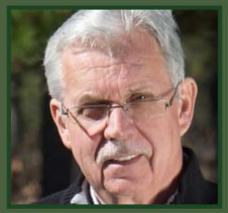
a diverse team of engineers and analysts and has been managing large scale projects and operations for more than a decade. Now Mike uses his technical knowledge and skill to focus on special projects, workflow development and automation with Airborne Imaging.



Isabella Valdez

While pursuing my degree at Colorado State University, I gained experience in several fields. I strengthened my forest health background as a plant health care technician in CO and WY, as a noxious weeds sprayer for the USFS in CO, and as a timber sale forester in WY. I also worked in a forest pathology lab at CSU, and as a GIS analyst for a private firm in Denver. Now, I have worked for IDL for two and a half years helping diagnose, manage, and monitor forest diseases and insect pathogens. In my free time, I enjoy mountain

biking, snowboarding, fishing, working on my truck camper, and camping with my dog, Moose.



Bob Williams

Bob is the owner and founder of Pine Creek Forestry, LLC. Bob graduated with an associate's degree in forestry in 1972 from Centralia College in Centralia, Washington. He then returned to New Jersey to receive his Bachelor's Degree in Forestry from Rutgers University, New Brunswick in 1975. Bob has 50 years' experience in the field of forestry. He began in 1975 working for the Washington State Department of Natural Resources in the area of fire management and reforestation. He spent the next four years working

with the U. S. Forest Service in Alaska and Washington State working in the area of forest engineering with a focus on field road construction and timber harvesting. In the summer of 1979, he began a five-year period working for Scott Paper Company as a logging engineer with a focus on forest road construction, harvesting and reforestation management. In 1985, Bob returned to New Jersey where he has been a consultant forester for the past 40 plus years. Bob has worked for both private landowners and public landowners with their management and stewardship of their natural resources.

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Conservation District, and the Natural Resources
Conservation Service (NRCS).

More than 250 volunteers donate their time to run the contest and a record 700 students participated in 2019. The contest is now held at Farragut State Park in Athol.

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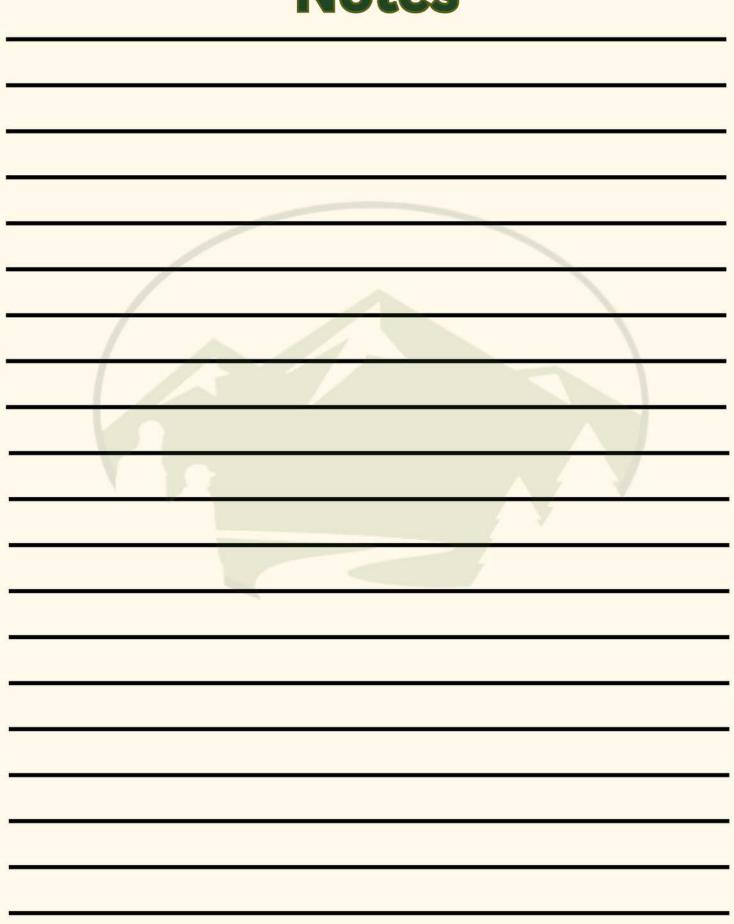
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Coeur d'Alene Resort Dining

Whispers

Whispers is located on the lobby level. For more information (208)765-4000 Hours: Sunday- Thursday 10AM -11PM Friday-Saturday 10AM-12AM

Tito's Italian Grill & Wine Shop

Tito's is located in The Shops.
For more information or reservations: (208)667-2782
Hours: Sunday-Saturday 11AM-9 PM

Taphouse Unchained

Taphouse is located in The Shops For more information: (844)223-3163 Hours: Sunday-Thursday 11AM-10PM Friday-Saturday 11AM-11PM

Dockside

Dockside is located on the lobby level. For more information: (208)666-5799 Hours: Sunday-Thursday 7AM-10PM Friday-Saturday 7AM-11PM

Beverly's

Beverly's is located on the 7th Floor of the Coeur d'Alene Resort. For more information: (208)765-4000 Dinner Hours:

Sunday-Thursday 5PM-9PM Friday - Saturday 4 PM - 9PM Lounge Hours: Sunday - Thursday 4PM-10PM

Thursday - Saturday 4PM-11PM

Resort Day Parking

To get the Foresters Forum daily discounted parking rate, please stop at the Valet Desk (in the lobby atrium) to have your ticket validated.

Resort Airport & Transportation Services

Standard Service from Spokane International Airport Round Trip \$79 per person | One-Way \$50 per person.

RESERVATION BOOKING POLICY

48-hour notice is required for all transportation requests or cancellations

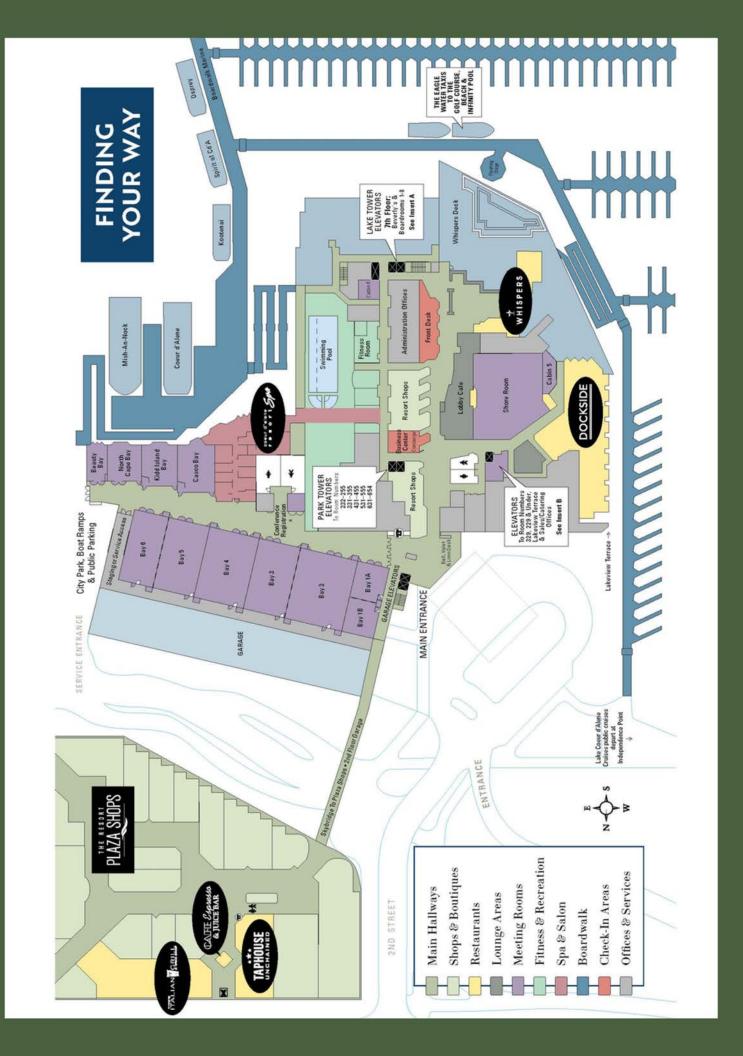
Transportation shuttle pricing is determined at time of booking and is subject to change.

Every effort will be made to accommodate short notice requests, additional fees may apply.

To contact the resort transportation department for scheduling, please call



855-421-1226



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