Come join us in Washington’s Moses Lake for the Society for Range Management 2017 Pacific Northwest summer section meeting, June 6-8, 2017! SRM is joining forces with the Society for Ecological Restoration to bring you a workshop filled with native plants, pollinators, and birds and the Columbia Basin in early June is sure to be a delightful kick start to summer. Join us Tuesday evening and unwind from your travels with a social in the Best Western Lake Front hotel banquet room. Jump on board the bus on Wednesday for a visit to BFI Native Seeds. Jerry Benson will start us off with a tour of the native seed farm in Warden followed by a trip out to Othello for a look at plots testing herbicide-native seeding interactions. We will wrap up the day with a catered dinner at Big Bend Community College and Dr. Don Rolfs will present a look at the hundreds of species of native bees he has catalogued in Washington. Don’t forget to look over the silent auction items and get your bid in early and often to refill the PNW scholarship program coffers! Thursday will bring all aspects of native plant restoration together at the Moses Lake Museum. Jim Hallet from the Society for Ecological Restoration will line us out with the international standards of restoration, we’ll dig deeper with Renel Anderson of Biochar Supreme™ as she discusses biochar as a soil amendment in restoration. Chris Sheridan of the Bureau of Land Management will bring us back to the surface with a look at the ongoing restoration projects in the area. Finally, we will take flight with Christi Norman of the Washington Audubon Society and the vegetation needs of sagebrush obligate passerines. Shake off the winter blues and register early for this opportunity to get your summer off to a great start!
Schedule

Tuesday, June 6 – Best Western Lake Front
• 1 pm – 5:30 pm: Advisory council/BOD meetings
• 6 pm – 9 pm: Meet and greet social gathering

Wednesday, June 7 – meet at Best Western Lake Front, bus leaves at 8 am
• 8 am – 5 pm: Tour BFI Native Seeds
  o Native Species Farm
  o Experimental Seeding Plots
• 6 pm: Catered dinner, Big Bend Community College
  o Presentation: Dr. Don Rolfs, Native Bees of Washington

Thursday, June 8 – Moses Lake Museum
• 8 am – noon: Technical Presentations
  o International Standards of Restoration – Jim Hallet, Society for Ecological Restoration
  o Biochar as a Restoration Tool - Renel Anderson, Biochar Supreme™
  o Ongoing Native Plant Restoration Projects – Chris Sheridan, BLM
  o Vegetation Needs of Sagebrush Obligate Passerines – Christi Norman, Audubon WA

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Phone: ____________________________ Cell phone ____________________________
Mailing Address: ______________________________________________________
Email: ____________________________ Amount Enclosed: ______

Registration Fee: US $85 postmarked by May 20, 2017; $100 thereafter. Registration fee includes Tuesday evening social; all Wednesday meals, transportation, and entertainment; and Thursday presentations. Please enter the number of tickets you need for each event.

Full Workshop Registration ($85) ______ Wednesday Tour Only ($50) ______
Number of Wednesday Lunches Needed: ______
Wednesday Banquet Only ($25) ______
Special dietary needs (No.): Vegetarian ______ Vegan _____ Gluten Free ______

Mail this form and check written to: WA Chapter Society for Range Management PO Box 9, Okanogan, WA 98840. Or, use the Paypal link on the PNW-SRM website at www.rangelands.org/pnw under the meeting link.
Accommodations

To hold our costs down, Best Western is holding a block of 30 rooms at $90/night ($10/additional person) until May 25, 2017. All 30 rooms must be filled for two nights to ensure our meeting package price. Be sure to let them know you are with the Society for Range Management or Society for Ecological Restoration.

Best Western Plus Lake Front
3000 Marina Drive
Moses Lake, WA 98837
Phone: 800-780-7234 or 509-765-9211.

Other nearby activities

- Hiking at Columbia National Wildlife Refuge
- Watersports at Moses Lake
- Golfing, Moses Lake
- Wineries, fishing, and more!