



2016 Annual General Meeting

Fall Meeting Itinerary

Friday, November 4th

Travel to Kelowna during day/evening
Casual social gathering at restaurant/pub in the Sheraton 4-Point Kelowna Airport
Hotel @ 7 pm – 9 pm

Saturday, November 5th

Day-long Field Trip
Supper Downtown Kelowna

Sunday, November 6th

AGM 10 am – 12 pm @ Environment Canada UBC Okanagan Campus (page 2)
Conference subcommittee meetings, 12 pm – 1 pm
Return travel afternoon/evening

SER – WC Fall Field Trip

Saturday, November 5, 2016

**Use our own vehicles, start and end in Kelowna*

City of Kelowna *(short day, 75 km driving, relaxed, better option if weather poor)*

- 0900 Start, then 45 min drive across city and up switch-back gravel road
- 0945 *Myra-Bellevue Provincial Park* (Myra access, high-elevation trestle bridge restoration in burnover of Douglas-Fir and Western Larch *10 degrees cooler than lower elevations, so be prepared for snow and ice, it'll wake us up in the morning!)
- 1130 *Gallagher Canyon* (fuel management on-going by Kelowna Fire Dept. to remove ladder fuels and slow future fire spread, inadvertently restoring open pine ecosystem, also invasive alien grasses and proliferation of recreational trails along transmission line corridor)
- 1200 *Lunch* (somewhere in Mission neighbourhood near Casorso and Lakeshore, several Pubs and Restaurants at this location)
- 1330 *Mission Creek Restoration Initiative* (recent removal of channelized berms and restoration of floodplain meanders for fish & wildlife)
- 1430 *Tantalus Vineyard* (partners in ecological stewardship, pesticide-free, organic wines, wine tasting)
- 1530 *City of Kelowna Composting Facility* (@ Landfill & Sewage, marketable products of Ogo-Grow and Glen-Grow, methane recovery and power generation)
- 1630 *Knox Mountain Park & Apex Trail Restoration* (lookouts over the lake and city, proliferation of recreational trails, strategies for curbing unsanctioned trail use, natural recovery)
- 1730 *Downtown for supper* (suggest "The Beer Institute" for flight of local beers and pizza)

SER – WC, Annual General Meeting

Sunday, November 6, 2016, 10:00 am

UBCO/ECCC Mountain Weather Office, Kelowna BC

1238 Discovery Avenue

**Conference call-in info to follow*

Agenda

Call to Order (Jennifer)

Welcomes/Introductions (Jennifer)

- Room first, conference line second, identify if a board member

Minutes of the 2015 Meeting (Aaron)

- Circulated prior to meeting, summarized but not read aloud
- move to accept, second, all in favour

Report from SER-WC Treasurer (Dave)

- Review opening balance, revenues, expenditures, assets, liabilities, ending balance
- Discussion
- Move to accept, second, all in favour

Report from SER-WC Media Coordinator (Cassandra)

- Summarize annual website content updates and views, facebook, twitter, email correspondence, membership database, newsletter, membership survey, soliciting case study content.
- Note that monthly board reports were prepared and discussed.
- Discussion
- Move to accept report, second, all in favour
- Move to have board renew contract for media coordinator, second, all in favour (could be deferred until after conference discussion, as decision there dictates relative need for media coordinator)

Report from SER-International, and SER-North America Chapters (Dave)

- Board initiatives of SERI and SER-NA
- 2017 International Conference in Brazil
- 2020 North American Conference in Quebec

Report on SER-WC/SER-NW Joint Conference, Feb 2018, Simon Fraser University (Board)

- Addresses action items of 2015 AGM: to create forum for wetland restoration info exchange, to engage students (SFU/BCIT), to engage P.Eng./P.Geosci with P.Biol/P.Ag/R.P.F., to engage CLRA, to review subject of ex-situ seedbanks for restoration.
- Discussion of why combining forces with SER-NW (Dave & Jennifer), venue & budget (Doug R. & Andy), program (Darcy & others), and prospective subcommittees.
- Move to spend X\$ on reserving SFU as venue for Feb 13-15, 2018, second, all in favour
- Call for volunteers/nominations for subcommittee chairs and members

Outstanding Action Items from 2015 AGM (Jennifer)

- SER content in ER curriculum of Western Canada university and college courses and programs? Need for guest lecture/seminar vs. distributing literature or web/social media links?
- Article for CLRA magazine & SER-WC website contrasting the reclamation/restoration question and metrics. Recent AB Reclamation History Book continues one narrative, missing ER. Volunteers to co-author/edit such an article?

Board member elections (Jenn)

- Review current board and terms
- First call for volunteers/nominations to available board positions
- Election/Acclamation to positions

Other Business

Adjourn (move, second)