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2019 Spokane River Forum Conference Davenport Grand Hotel

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The Spokane River Forum Conference is being held April 16th and 17th at the Davenport Grand Hotel in Spokane, WA. Visit www.spokaneriver.net/conf for agenda and other conference information.

With approximately 300 participants each day, the Forum's tradition of hosting the premier local conference to explore leading environmental issues affecting our watershed continues. For participants, it's a unique and innovative bi-state opportunity to share information, network with others and reach out to the public. Participants include a cross section of policy makers, natural resource managers, businesses, elected officials, tribes and interested citizens.

The theme for this year's conference is "Building Resiliency."

Dr. Philip Mote, Vice Provost at Oregon State University and President of the Global Environmental Change Section of the American Geophysical Union, will lead off the conference with a keynote presentation on climate change. He will focus on the big climate change picture, sharing his wealth of knowledge on what our region's cities and communities are doing to build resiliency to climate impacts.

Other keynotes will focus on vital regional issues affecting our environment, growth and quality of life. These include the Coeur d'Alene Tribe announcing withdrawal of support for the Coeur d'Alene Lake Management Plan; the possibility of a Spokane River water quality variance for PCBs that is receiving state and national attention; and the impact of, and response to, megafires in our region.

Said Andy Dunau, the Forum's Executive Director, "Keynotes and break-out sessions are delving into a variety of ways that building resiliency is factoring into water supply, water quality, land use, recreation and general stewardship issues. This includes presenters considering how variables such as population growth, climate change, extreme weather, new technologies and changes to the regulatory environment may affect our future."

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