

Calibrating Water Solutions in the Era of Climate Change

Spokane Convention Center
May 30, 2024 • 8am-4:15pm
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AGENDA

8:00-8:45 Breakfast and Social

8:45-9:00 Welcome

Tribal Welcome
Spokane River Forum

9:00-9:35 Calibrating Water Solutions in the Era of Climate Change

Dr. John Matthews, Executive Director, Alliance for Global Water Adaptation

9:35-9:50 Audience Polling

9:50-10:00 Break

10:00-10:55 Updating the Spokane Valley Rathdrum Prairie Aquifer Model for Climate Forecasting and Growth

John Porcello, Principal Groundwater Hydrologist, GSI Water Solutions

ON THE GROUND ACTION UPDATES:

- **City of Spokane**
Marcia Davis, Integrated Capital Management Director
- **Idaho Washington Aquifer Collaborative (IWAC)**
BiJay Adams, Vice President
- **Spokane Aquifer Joint Board (SAJB)**
Tonilee Hanson, Program Manager
- **Spokane County**
Amy Sumner, Water Resources Project Manager

10:55-11:15 Break

11:15-12:10 Integrating Climate Change into Comprehensive Planning

Tirrell Black, Associate Planner, City of Spokane

ON THE GROUND ACTION UPDATES:

- **City of Spokane**
Mark Papich, Senior Engineer
- **Coeur d'Alene Tribe**
Elva 'Cookie' Allan, Strategic Initiatives & Development Director
- **Kootenai County Aquifer Protection District**
Necia Maiani, Chair
- **Spokane County**
Rob Lindsay, Environmental Services Administrator

12:10-12:55 Lunch

12:55-1:45 Watershed Innovations

- **Ty Wick Award, SAJB**
Jeremy Jenkins, President, SAJB
- **Salmon Reintroduction and Habitat Restoration**
Conor Giorgi, Anadromous Program Manager, Spokane Tribe of Indians
- **Landscape Level Forest Practices**
Dr. Laura Laumatia, Environmental Programs Manager, Coeur d'Alene Tribe



AGENDA

1:45-2:40 Building Comprehensive Strategies to Reduce Toxics

Vince McGowan, Water Quality Program Manager, WA Department of Ecology

ON THE GROUND ACTION UPDATES:

- **Eastern Washington University**
Chad Pritchard, Professor
- **Upper Columbia United Tribes**
Caroline Keever, Environmental Manager
- **Idaho Department of Environmental Quality**
Jamie Brunner, Lake Management Plan Supervisor

2:40-2:55 2024 Water Forecast

Robin Fox, Service Hydrologist, National Weather Service

2:55-3:15 Break

3:15-4:00 Panel Discussion: Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats

MODERATOR:

Marlene Feist, Utilities Director, City of Spokane

PRESENTERS:

- *Bruce Howard, Senior Director of Environmental Affairs, Avista*
- *Caj Matheson, Natural Resources Director, Coeur d'Alene Tribe*
- *Jeremy Jenkins, SAJB President and IWAC Member*
- *Kyle Twohig, Senior Director of Public Works, Spokane County*
- *Katelyn Scott, Water Protector, Spokane Riverkeeper*
- *Brook Beeler, Eastern Region Director, WA Department of Ecology*

4:00-4:15 What I Heard and Things to Think About

Dr. John Matthews, Executive Director, Alliance for Global Water Adaptation

4:15 Adjourn ~ Tribal Closing



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