

TUESDAY, APRIL 22

8:15-9:00 Coffee & Welcome

RIVERFRONT B & C

Margo & Craig Hill, Spokane Tribe of Indians
Opening Prayer & Land Acknowledgement

9:00-10:15 Plenary Session

RIVERFRONT B & C

Welcome & Opening Remarks

Dan Maguire, Spokane River Forum Board President;
Mayor Lisa Brown, City of Spokane

Keynote Speaker

Willie Frank III, Nisqually Tribe

10:15-10:30 Break

10:30-12:00 Concurrent Sessions

RIVERFRONT D

Habitat Protection & Restoration in Hangman Creek

Moderator: Chad Atkins, Washington State Department of Ecology

- Jim Tuck, Trout Unlimited
Grouse Creek Ranch Project Assessment Report
- Mike Crabtree, Inland Northwest Land Conservancy
Protecting Land on Hangman Creek
- Dan Ross, Spokane Conservation District
Restoring Habitat and Water Quality in Hangman Creek
- Bruce Kinkead, Coeur d'Alene Tribe
Restoration Work in Hangman Creek

RIVERFRONT A

Sustainability in Action

Moderator: Meghan Lunney, Avista

- Aiyana James, Coeur d'Alene Tribe
Climate Resilience Program Coordination
- Calvin Fisher, Spokane Tribe of Indians
Climate Change Adaption Plan
- Tirrell Black, City of Spokane
Comprehensive Planning for Climate Resilience and Sustainability
- Justyce Brant, The Lands Council
Urban Forestry in Spokane

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Cleaning Up the Spokane River

Moderator: Jule Schultz, Spokane Riverkeeper

- Jill Reeves, Spokane Regional Solid Waste
Waste Ambassadors Program
- Jason Ruffing, City of Spokane Code Enforcement
Scope and Scale of Clean Up Challenges
- Gary Schmidt, SNAP
Outreach and Making Contacts Along the River
- Liv Kindl, Spokane Riverkeeper
Finding a New Way Forward for Litter Prevention and Removal

12:00-12:45 Lunch

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Awards & Recognition

- Jeremy Jenkins, Spokane Aquifer Joint Board & Spokane
River Forum Board
SAJB Ty Wick Award
- Special Recognition by the Spokane River Board of
Directors

Featured Speaker

- Levi Keesecker, Washington State Conservation Commission
Science Hub and Voluntary Stewardship

1:30-1:45 Break

1:45-3:15 Concurrent Sessions

RIVERFRONT D

Next Generation Fishery Showcase

Moderator: Casey Flanagan, Spokane Tribe of Indians

- Danny Garrett, Washington Department of Fish & Wildlife
Fish Community Changes in Lake Spokane (Long Lake)
2001-2024
- Sam Owens, Coeur d'Alene Tribe of Indians
Hangman Redband: Population, Connectivity in a
Highly Degraded Watershed
- Rick Raymondi, Spokane Tribe of Indians
Assessment of Hatchery Origin Summer-Run Chinook
Salmon in the Spokane River Watershed

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RIVERFRONT A

Toxics in the Watershed

Moderator: Rob Lindsay, Spokane River Forum Board Member

- Tanya Williams, Washington State Department of Ecology
Toxics 101 and Regional Strategic Planning
- Annie Simpson, Washington State Department of Ecology
The Spokane River Toxics Advisory Committee, the PCB TMDL, and Future Activities
- Joshua Villa, Spokane County; Angie Tagnani, City of Spokane
Working Together to Protect Our River... and Our Sewer
- Rob Lindsay, Spokane River Forum Board Member
Spokane River Regional Task Force: A History and Lessons Learned

AUDUBON & MANITO

Stormwater and Wastewater Management

Moderator: Dan Maguire, TC Energy

- Jonathan Adams, City of Spokane
Cochran Basin and Stormwater Management in City of Spokane
- Chris Bosley, City of Coeur d'Alene
City of Coeur d'Alene Stormwater Projects
- Pete Stayton, South Fork Sewer District
Pilot Results Page Treatment System (South Fork, Coeur d'Alene River)
- Keri St. John, Idaho Department of Environment Quality
Central Treatment Plant System (South Fork, Coeur d'Alene River)

3:15-3:30

Break

3:30-5:00

Concurrent Sessions

RIVERFRONT A

Addressing “Forever” Chemicals: PFAs in Drinking Water

Moderator: Marlene Feist, City of Spokane

- John Hancock, West Plains Water Coalition
PFAs and the People
- Chad Pritchard, Eastern Washington University
West Plains PFAs Fate & Transport Study: Spokane River
- Bri Brinkman, Washington State Department of Ecology
Ecology Technical Administration
- Marlene Feist, City of Spokane
Update from Director of Public Works

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Water Quality & Emerging Contaminants

Moderator: Caroline Keever, Upper Columbia United Tribes

- Mary Engels, University of Idaho
Stormwater, 6-PPD-q and Crayfish
- Raylene Gennett, City of Spokane
CSO & NLT: How Far We have Come with Cleaner Water for the River
- Katelyn Scott, Spokane Riverkeeper
CSO & Tertiary Treatment Implementation

RIVERFRONT D

Science on the River

Moderator: Camille McNeely, Eastern Washington University

- Madeleine Mathews, Gonzaga University; Ian Townley, Saint George's School
Examining Temporal Water Quality in Spokane River Tributaries
- Grace Schneider, Tucker Holmes & Cynthia Reck, Gonzaga University Undergraduate Students
What's Up with the Water Around Here?
- Kaitlin Abell, Eastern Washington University Graduate Student
Invertebrate Populations in the Little Spokane and Beyond
- Susan Stiger, Citizen Scientist & Professional Engineer
Coeur d'Alene Bay Watchers Program
- Lindsey Beacham, University of Idaho
Update on Idaho Water Resources Research Institute

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April 22-23

2025 Conference

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Featured Speaker

Hannah Haemmerli, Washington State University
Water Governance: from Conflict to Collaboration

- Robin Fox, National Weather Service
2025 Water Forecast
- Kristen Zimmer, Water Wise Program, City of Spokane
Water Conservation Updates

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RIVERFRONT D

Aquifer Modeling for Water Quality and Quantity

Moderator: John Porcello, GSI Water Solutions

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Use of an Aquifer Model for Groundwater Supply and Management
- Marcia Davis, City of Spokane
The River, The Aquifer, and Groundwater Planning
- Jeremy Jenkins, Spokane Aquifer Joint Board
SAJB Model Updating
- Suzanne Scheidt, Idaho Washington Aquifer Collaborative
Collaborative Efforts for Modeling and Outreach

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Coeur d'Alene Watershed Projects

Moderator: Jamie Brunner, Idaho Dept of Environmental Quality

- Craig Cooper, Idaho Dept of Environmental Quality
Coeur d'Alene Lake Conceptual Model Report
- Angelo Vitale, Coeur d'Alene Tribe
Wetland Restoration on Lower St. Joe Creek
- Cathy Gidley, Trout Unlimited Idaho
Pritchard Creek Stream Restoration Project
- Doug Evans, Bureau of Land Management
Restoration in Cougar Bay

RIVERFRONT A

Nonpoint Source Pollution Reduction & Restoration Efforts

Moderator: Marnie Keas-Miller, Washington State Department of Ecology

- Tighe Stuart, Washington State Department of Ecology
DO TMDL 10-Year Assessment Report
- Mitch Redfern, Washington State Department of Ecology
Nonpoint Source Implementation in Hangman Creek
- Randy Baker, Spokane Conservation District
Riparian Retoration in Hangman Creek
- Brian Muegge, Salmon Safe
Headwaters to Harvest: Inland NW Farmers Promoting Watershed Health through Salmon-Safe Certification

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David Brooks, Executive Director Trout Unlimited Montana
Montana's Stream Access Law

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Habitat Protection and Restoration in the Spokane River Watershed

Moderator: Lindsay Chutas, Haley & Aldrich

- Derek Vilar, Spokane County
Newman Lake Aeration System
- Jade McKeen, Spokane Conservation District;
Lindsay Chutas, Haley & Aldrich
Newman Lake Water Quality
- Kat Hall, Lands Council; Sue Niezgoda,
Gonzaga University
Beaver Dam Analogs
- Emma Greenwood, Spokane Tribe of Indians
Waikiki Springs Fish Passage

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RIVERFRONT A

New Developments in Spokane River Access, Restoration and Promotion

Moderator: Juliet Sinisterra, University District Development Association

- Rick Romero & Mike Terell, Spokane Urban River Experience
Coordinated Projects through the City of Spokane's Urban Core
- Ken Van Voorhis, SPVV Landscape Architects
Iron Bridge River Gateway Project
- Juliet Sinisterra, University District Development Association
Nature Positive Infrastructure Planning

3:00-3:15

Closing

RIVERFRONT BALLROOM B & C

Thank You and CSO Tour Introduction and Meet Up

3:15-5:00

WALK OVER FROM CENTENNIAL

City of Spokane Downtown CSO Tour

RIVERFRONT D

Hangman Workgroup Partners Meeting

AUDUBON & MANITO

What We Talk About When We Talk About Access: Reflections on Plenary Talk by David Brooks

Moderator: Greg Gordon, Gonzaga University

- Walt Edelen, Spokane Conservation District
- Andy Dunau, Spokane River Forum
- Nick Hamad, City of Spokane

