



4-County CWMA Technical & Scientific Review Committee Meeting

April 3rd 2019, 11:00am-12:00pm

East Multnomah Soil & Water Conservation District

5211 N. Williams Ave. Portland, OR 97217

Attendees: Michelle Delepine (WMSWCD), Mitch Bixby (City of Portland), Aaron Shaw (TSWCD), Elaine Stewart (Metro)

11:00 Welcome

11:05 Alianthus Check-In & Next Steps

Mitch Bixby & Michelle Delepine

- Test plot – East of Peninsula park. Community project through North Portland Tree Coalition. Phase I will remove 45 tree of heaven saplings by hand at a volunteer event this Saturday. NPTC is looking for a grant opportunity to remove 90 additional specimens within a 30-block radius, all greater than 12 DBH. Group is looking for ~\$30K in grant funds to complete the project. Potential sources are EMSWCD grants or Metro NIN grant. What role can the CWMA play in supporting community driven invasive control projects (short-term goal) and also be a conduit to channel demand for more resources around invasive control (long-term CWMA goal); CWMA could provide match resources to support grant applications.

11:15 Glyphosate in the News Check-In

Mitch Bixby & Michelle Delepine

- CWMA Herbicide Statement -- it's in the news, selah.

11:40 CWMA Engagement with Contractors

Mitch Bixby & Michelle Delepine

- Rosario, Kristina Prosser, John Goetz III, Kammy Kern-Korot attended break out on this topic at Pull-Together. DEI around agency-level jobs and creating a pathway for contractors to apply for and get permanent positions. How can the CWMA better support our contractors in this effort, as well as the work we do. CWMA role could be as a convener through a general meeting topic or forum. Host a conversation with contractors to establish a conduit to the agencies hiring and connecting contractor staff with agencies. Should lead to better engagement and communication.

- What committee should take lead on development of this role of CWMA as convener, Ed/Outreach?

11:50 Columbia Gorge BMPs Review

Mitch Bixby & Michelle Delepine

- Made progress on updates which has since stalled. Need to resume this work and need to develop a timeline, ideally for summer. May require only minimal efforts, but may require more depending on the scope of the revisions. Timeline for completion: 4-months to 3-4 years.
- How does the CWMA deal with disparate ecological audiences (urban/rural)? Michelle and Aaron will revisit project concept in July.

12:00 End

Next Technical & Scientific Review Committee Meeting

July 10th, 2019

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