



## 2022 Eastern Washington Riparian Planting Symposium

*Embracing the challenges of  
riparian vegetation  
restoration in the Columbia  
Basin through shared  
knowledge, ideas, and  
collaboration.*

*Brought to you by the **Yakima Basin Fish & Wildlife Recovery Board**  
and **Populus: The Columbia Basin Riparian Planting Partnership***

**WHEN:** April 7, 2022 - *Pre-registration required!!!*  
**WHERE:** Online: Registration required - register on [Zoom](#)  
**MODERATORS:** Heather Simmons - Washington Department of Ecology  
Kayla Gallentine – Yakima Basin Fish & Wildlife Recovery Board  
Committee of Populus: The Columbia Basin Riparian Planting Partnership\*

### AGENDA

**9:30 – 9:40 am** Heather Simmons - Welcome and Overview

#### OPENING PRESENTATION

**9:40 – 10:20** **Amanda Stahl**, Riverine Ecology Lab - Washington State University  
*Update on Effective & Efficient Riparian Monitoring with Drone & Satellite Data*

#### BREAK – 10 minutes

#### SESSION 1: **Funding, Funding, Funding! Moderated by Heather Simmons**

**10:30 – 11:45** **Riparian Planting Projects – Funding Programs and Getting Creative**

*Introductions and Overview*

Heather Simmons - Terry Husseman Funding Program (Wa. Dept. of Ecology)

Chelsea Benner - Voluntary Stewardship Program (Wa. Dept. of Ecology)

Kim Sellers - Recreation and Conservation Office

Josh Nicholas - Washington Dept. of Fish & Wildlife (ALEA)

Corey Bonsen & Stephen Johnson – Natural Resources Conservation Service

Rebecca Wassell - Mid-Columbia Fisheries Enhancement Group

Troy Baker - Walla Walla Basin Watershed Council

**11:45-noon** **Q&A with Funding Presenters**

**LUNCH BREAK** **12:00 – 12:30pm**

**12:30 – 1:00** **Breakout Rooms (facilitated but casual discussions!)**

- A. Funding Riparian Restoration (Funders Especially Welcome!) – mod. by Heather Simmons
- B. Fencing (When and When Not?) – Grazers, Browsers, and Beaver – mod. by Drew Schuldt
- C. GIS, Remote Mapping, and Riparian Vegetation Assessments – mod. by Amanda Stahl

**SESSION 2: Land Trusts & Riparian Habitat, Moderated by Merritt Mitchell-Wajeesh**

**1:00 – 2:00 Land Trusts – Protecting and Restoring Riparian Vegetation**

*Introductions and Overview*

Amanda ‘Marti’ Martino - Blue Mountain Land Trust

David Morgan - Chelan-Douglas Land Trust

Mitch Long - Kittitas Conservation Trust

Lovina Englund - Palouse Land Trust

**2:00 – 2:30 Q&A with Land Trust Presenters**

**BREAK – 10 minutes**

**SESSION 3: Lessons Learned, Moderated by Kayla Gallentine**

**2:40 – 4:00 Reed Canary Grass Management – Case Studies and Lessons Learned**

*Introductions and Overview*

Judith Johnson - Kooskooskie Commons

Jennifer Weddle - Okanogan Highlands Alliance

Alex Case-Cohen - Pend Oreille CD / Calispell Duck Club

Jill Silver - 10,000 Years Institute – overview, research, watershed level, funding

**4:00 – 4:15 Q&A with Lessons Learned Presenters**

**4:15 – 4:30 Heather – Final Questions & Close-Out Remarks**

**\*Committee Members:**

- Judith Johnson, Kooskooskie Commons
- Drew Schuldt, Palouse Conservation District
- Katy Pfannenstein, US Fish & Wildlife Service
- Merritt Mitchell-Wajeesh, Mid-Columbia Fisheries Enhancement Group
- Kayla Gallentine, Yakima Basin Fish & Wildlife Recovery Board
- Heather Simmons, Washington Department of Ecology
- Alex Conley, Yakima Basin Fish & Wildlife Recovery Board (advisor)