

A photograph of a dense forest with tall trees and a bright sunburst effect in the center, casting light through the canopy. The text is overlaid on this image.

NW Community Forest Coalition Field Tour

AUGUST 3-4, 2017 • CHIMACUM RIDGE, WASHINGTON

Thursday, August 3, 2017

Presented in partnership with Jefferson Land Trust

Meet at the Old Alcohol Plant: 310 Hadlock Bay Rd, Port Hadlock, WA 98339

10:00 am **Welcome – Northwest Community Forest Coalition**
Andrew Spaeth, Sustainable Northwest
Jay McLaughlin, Mt Adams Resource Stewards

10:30 am **Introduction to Chimacum Ridge Community Forest Project**
Sarah Spaeth, Jefferson Land Trust
Lisa Remlinger, Washington Environmental Council

11:30 am Travel to Chimacum Creek Estuary (*transportation provided*)

11:45 am **Field Tour Stop #1 - Chimacum Creek Estuary (*sack lunch provided*)**
Chimacum Creek Estuary and lower mainstem have been the focus of preservation and restoration efforts on the part of Chumsortium partners WDFW, North Olympic Salmon Coalition, Jefferson County Conservation District, Jefferson Land Trust, and Jefferson County. We will walk the restored beach and learn about the return of the summer chum salmon and the integrated approach to preserving the Chimacum watershed for farms, fish, and forests.
Presenters: Rebecca Benjamin, North Olympic Salmon Coalition
Sarah Spaeth, Jefferson Land Trust

12:45 pm Travel to Chimacum Commons (*transportation provided*)

1:00 pm **Field Tour Stop #2 - Chimacum Commons**
In 2014, Jefferson Land Trust purchased a 16-acre agricultural parcel centrally located in Chimacum. The property contains the valuable salmon habitat of Chimacum Creek, agricultural soils, and history as well as the potential to provide a space for clustered, affordable farmworker housing. We'll hear from community folks about the revitalization of Chimacum and possible uses of this centrally-located property.
Samantha Thomas, Blue Zones

- 1:45 pm Travel to Chimacum Ridge (*transportation provided*)
- 2:00 pm **Field Tour Stop #3 - Role of Chimacum Ridge in watershed restoration strategy**
 The Chimacum Ridge property includes part of the headwaters of Chimacum Creek, which boasts one of the most successful community salmon-habitat recovery efforts in the region and a longtime focus of Jefferson Land Trust's habitat protection work. We'll learn about the efforts to preserve the Ridge for a working forest and other conservation values and see a demonstration of forest management under way.
 Alex Geritz, EFM
 Lisa Remlinger, Washington Environmental Council
- 4:00 pm Travel to Finnriver Farm and Cidery (*transportation provided*)
- 4:30 pm **Innovative Conservation Partnerships: Finnriver Farm and Jefferson Land Trust**
Presenters: Sarah Spaeth, Jefferson Land Trust
 Crystie Kisler, Finnriver Farm and Cidery
- 5:30 pm Happy Hour and Catered Dinner

Friday, August 4, 2017

Meet at the Old Alcohol Plant: 310 Hadlock Bay Rd, Port Hadlock, WA 98339

- 9:00 am **Welcome – Integrating Sustainable Economic Development**
 Kate Dean, Jefferson County Commissioner
- 9:30 am Tour Northwest Boat Building School
- 11:00 am **Northwest Community Forest Coalition Roundtable Discussions**
 Topic 1: State-Level Policy: Carbon Market Opportunities
 Topic 2: Finance and Funding: Unlocking Clean Drinking Water Revolving Loan Fund
 Topic 3: Community Forest Governance Models
- 1:00 pm Wrap up and Closing Remarks

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