



**AGENDA**

**Join Zoom Meeting**

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Meeting ID: 918 5332 6295#; Meeting Passcode: 380333

**Wednesday, September 8<sup>th</sup>, 2021 10:30-2:00**

**UCF Program Purpose**

The Washington State Urban and Community Forestry Program works to educate citizens and decision-makers about the economic, environmental, psychological and aesthetic benefits of trees and to assist local governments, citizen groups and volunteers in planting and sustaining healthy trees and vegetation wherever people live and work in Washington State.

**Mission**

Provide leadership to create self-sustaining urban and community forestry programs that preserve, plant and manage forests and trees for public benefits and quality of life.

**Council Purpose and Duty**

(Articles of Association, Article II, Section 1)

- A. Advise the Commissioner of Public Lands and Department of Natural Resources staff on its policies and programs related to community and urban forestry.
- B. Provide a statewide vision that enhances and heightens the awareness of forest and associated natural resource management in community and urban areas.
- C. Promote public awareness and education of community and urban forestry issues.
- D. Provide leadership on community and urban forestry issues.
- E. Provide information for people in the field of, and with an interest in community and urban forestry.
- F. Cultivate cooperation among all sectors involved in community and urban forestry.
- G. Advise the Legislature and the people of the State of Washington on the best ways to preserve, protect, expand, and improve Washington's community and urban forests.
- H. Promote and enhance the implementation of the Urban and Community Forestry Program's strategic plan.

<b>TIME</b>	<b>TOPIC</b>	<b>OUTCOME</b>	<b>WHO</b>
10:30	Call to Order, welcoming of guests, Introductions	Call to Order	Semra Riddle – Chair
10:45	Meeting agenda, minutes from previous meeting	Review and approve	Semra Riddle – Chair
10:55	Q&A for program update	Information	Ben Thompson
11:05	Committee report-outs and equity discussion	Nominations, Equity Committee reports; discussion to follow	Ben Thompson, committee members
11:20	<b>Break</b>	<b>5-min break</b>	<b>All</b>
11:25	Briefing on E2SHB 1216	Information/Discussion/Q&A	Ben Thompson
<b>12:00</b>	<b>Break</b>	<b>Lunch!</b>	<b>All</b>
12:30	Forest conservation and tree planting initiative	Presentation with Q&A to follow	Csenka Favorini-Csorba (DNR Senior Policy Advisor)
1:00	<b>Break</b>	<b>5-Min Break</b>	<b>All</b>
1:05	WCFC recruitments	Information/Discussion/Q&A	Ben Thompson
1:30	Vote to accommodate next agenda item*	Aye or nay vote to suspend the rules of Article VII, Section 2*	Semra Riddle – Chair, All
1:40	Set dates for 2022 WCFC	Information/Discussion	All
2:00	Adjourn	Meeting ends	Chair

\*Article VII, Section 2 directs the council to set following years' meeting dates at the last WCFC meeting of the year.

Next meeting: 11/2/21 – 10:30-2:00