

Northwest Indian Fisheries Commission

2022 Tribal Habitat Conference

May 31-2

“Through the Eyes of Salmon: Strengthening our Connections, Habitat is the Answer”

Hosted by the Stillaguamish Indian Tribe

Angel of the Winds Casino

Arlington Washington

May 31, 2022 8:00 AM - 6:30 PM

	Title	Lead/Facilitator	Notes
8:00-9:00	Registration/Breakfast		
9:00-9:05	Opening Prayer		
9:05-9:10	Welcome		
9:10-9:50	Conference Purpose and Overview	Kadi Bizyayeva , Stillaguamish Council member and Deputy Fisheries Manager for the Stillaguamish tribe. Fran Wilshusen , Director of Environmental Protection NWIFC	
9:50-10:00	Honoring the Artist	Shawn Yanity , Stillaguamish Fisheries Manager.	
10:00-11:00	Stillaguamish Watershed and Marine Areas- Habitats role in supporting treaty rights	Kadi Bizyayeva , Stillaguamish Council member and Deputy Fisheries Manager for the Stillaguamish tribe. Jason Griffith , Environmental Program Manager Stillaguamish tribe.	
11:00-12:00	Co-manager habitat work plan, how to improve integration of habitat conditions.	Kadi Bizyayeva , Stillaguamish Council member and Deputy Fisheries Manager for the Stillaguamish tribe.	

		Fran Wilshusen , Director of Environmental Protection NWIFC. Cecilia Gobin , Conservation Policy Analyst NWIFC. Rob Jones , Fisheries Policy Analyst II NWIFC.	
12:00-1:00	Lunch	Cultural Presentation	
1:00-1:45	Riparian work, why SPTH and next steps for watershed recovery	Dave Herrera , Fish and Wildlife Policy Analyst for the Skokomish tribe. Amy Trainer	
1:45-2:45	Looking back to guide the future - insights from 100 years of combined habitat work 1:45-2:15 Eric Beamer - 30 years of Chinook salmon estuarine ecology: where we started to where we are now 2:15-2:45 Tim Beechie - Looking back, looking forward - An evolution of process-based restoration	Jason Griffith , Environmental Program Manager Stillaguamish tribe. Panel of experts on Habitat work	
2:45-3:00	Break		
3:00-4:00	Looking back to guide the future - insights from 100 years of combined habitat work. Continued 3:00-3:30 George Pess , Hope and humility - 30 years of learning from salmon, landscapes, and people	Jason Griffith , Environmental Program Manager Stillaguamish tribe. Panel of experts on Habitat work	

	3:30-4:00 Q & A		
4:00-4:30	Science Driving Policy: Anadromous Fish Floor	Ash Roorbach , Forest Practices Coordinator NWIFC. Jim Peters , Habitat Policy Coordinator NWIFC.	
4:30-5:00	The Crisis Tribes Face Today	Shawn Yanity , Fisheries Manager. Gl James , ESA/Harvest Policy Representative.	
5:00-5:30	break		
5:30-6:30	Dinner & No Host Bar		

Jun 1, 2022 8:00 AM - 5:00 pm

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8:00-8:50	Breakfast		
8:50-9:00	Opening Prayer		
9:00-9:45	<p>Pacific Ocean - Marine change and tribal resilience</p> <p>9:00-9:10 Jan Newton - Our changing ocean</p> <p>9:10-9:30 Jan Newton and Melissa Poe - Olympic Coast OA Regional Vulnerability Assessment</p> <p>9:30-9:45 Adrianne Akmajian - European Green Crab monitoring and response</p>	<p>Tommy Moore, Oceanographer NWIFC.</p> <p>Jan Newton, senior principal oceanographer with the Applied Physics Laboratory of the University of Washington</p> <p>Melissa Poe, Social Scientist with Washington Sea Grant</p> <p>Adrianne Akmajian, Marine Ecologist with Makah Fisheries Management</p>	

9:45-10:30	Climate Change Solutions: Carbon Sequestration in Coastal and Forested Wetlands	Eliza Ghitis , NWIFC-Climate Scientist. Presenters: John Rybczyk , Western Washington University-Applied Wetlands Ecologist Meghan Halabisky , University of Washington - Landscape Ecologist	
10:30-11:00	Low flow study/ temperature impaired streams	Tyson Waldo , NWIFC-SSHIAP North Sound Biologist.	
11:00-11:30	Title TBD	Mike LeMoine , Skagit River System Cooperative-Senior Research Scientist	
11:30-12:00	Importance of predictive models in project planning, design, and evaluation (monitoring).	Greg Hood , Skagit River System Cooperative-Senior Research Scientist	
12:00-1:00	Lunch	Cultural Presentation	
1:00-1:30	Hydrology study	Tim Hyatt , Skagit River System Cooperative-Environmental Protection Ecologist	
1:30-2:00	"Restoring the Nooksack: Opportunities, Challenges, and Successes"	Presenter: Treva Coe , Nooksack Tribe-Habitat Program Manager Authors: Treva Coe, Lindsie Fratus-Thomas, Eric Stover, Michael Maudlin	
2:00-2:45	Salmon Recovery Planning: Nisqually's perspective	David Troutt , Nisqually Indian Tribe-Natural Resources Director	Salmon recovery plan updates. Upcoming meetings

2:45-3:15	Convening collective action, TRAR, and BFJ salmon coalition	Peggen Frank, Salmon Defense Executive Director	
3:15-3:30	Break		
3:30-4:00	Wrap up and Next Steps: Implementing the Tribal Habitat Strategy “g ^w ədzadad”	Kadi Bizyayeva, Stillaguamish Council member and Deputy Fisheries Manager for the Stillaguamish tribe. NWIFC Chairperson. Dave Herrera, Fish and Wildlife Policy Analyst for the Skokomish tribe	
4:00-5:00	Poster Session		
	Dinner will be on your own this day		

Jun 2, 2022 8:00 AM - XX

8:00-9:00	Breakfast		
9:00 leave for field trip 12:00 return from field trip	Stillaguamish Restoration site. Combined with eDNA sampling demonstration	Field trip guide- Jason Griffith, Environmental Program Manager Stillaguamish tribe. eDNA presentation- John Hagan, NWIFC-Coastal Habitat Biologist.	
End of conference			