



2015 WESTERN INVASIVE WEED SUMMIT

November 17 - 19, 2015

Wyndham Garden Boise Airport , Boise, ID, 83705

Joining to develop an action plan to guide
invasive plant management in the West.



TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 17

Virgil Moore, Master of Ceremonies

8:00 – 8:30	Gathering and Hosted Continental Breakfast
8:30 – 8:45	Welcome Address with Idaho Lt. Governor Brad Little
8:45 – 9:15	Managing Invasives to Conserve Healthy Landscapes JANICE M. SCHNEIDER
9:15 – 9:45	Invasive Plant Management in the West A Scientific Assessment DR. ROGER SHELEY
9:45 – 10:15	Landscape Perspective on Invasive Plants and Sage-grouse: Understanding Impacts and Managing Risks JEREMY MAESTAS
10:15 – 10:30	Break
10:30 – 11:00	Overview of WAFWA Report, “Invasive Plant Management and Greater Sage-grouse Conservation: A Review and Status Report with Strategic Recommendations for Improvement” KEN MAYER
11:00 – Noon	Panel: Management of Invasive Plants across the Range of the Greater Sage-grouse <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Can We Stop Cheatgrass? Examples of Success</i> – TED KOCH • <i>Managing Weeds vs. Habitats – Wildlife Management and Weed Management Perspectives</i> – DR. CHAD BOYD • <i>Multi-jurisdictional Collaboration, Cooperation, and Capacity Building</i> – ALAN CLARK • <i>Recent Initiatives to Address Threats to GRSG Habitat (FIAT, S.O. 3336, Etc.)</i> – REX MCKNIGHT DR. DEAN KELCH, Moderator
Noon – 12:15	Setting the Stage for Breakout Sessions DR. JOHN FREEMUTH
12:15 – 1:30	Hosted Lunch DR. JAMIE K. REASER, Keynote Speaker, National Invasive Species Council Update

1:30 – 3:15 **Breakout Session – Challenges and Barriers**
GROUP 1: Information Management and Science
GROUP 2: Leadership, Coordination, and Communication
GROUP 3: Policy and Regulatory
GROUP 4: Program Management and Operational Capacity

3:15 – 3:30 **Break**

3:30 – 5:30 **Breakout Session – Challenges and Barriers** (continued)

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 18

8:00 – 8:30 **Gathering and Hosted Breakfast**

8:30 – 9:30 **Report Back on Evaluating the Challenges and Barriers**
(all breakout groups)

9:30 – 9:45 **Setting the Stage for Breakout Sessions**
DR. JOHN FREEMUTH

9:45 – 10:00 **Break**

10:00 – 12:00 **Breakout Session – Developing Actions to Address/Resolve Challenges and Barriers**
GROUP 1: The Great Basin
GROUP 2: The Eastern Portion of the Greater Sage-grouse Range
GROUP 3: WAFWA Invasive Plant Management and Greater Sage-grouse Conservation Report

12:00 – 1:30 **Hosted Lunch**

1:30 – 3:15 **Breakout Session - Developing Actions to Address/Resolve Challenges and Barriers** (continued)

3:15 – 3:30 **Break**

3:30 – 5:30 **Breakout Session - Developing Actions to Address/Resolve Challenges and Barriers** (continued)

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 19

8:00 – 8:30 **Gathering and Hosted Breakfast**

8:30 – 10:15 **Report Back on Developing Actions to Address/Resolve Challenges and Barriers** (all breakout groups)

10:15 – 10:45 **Break**

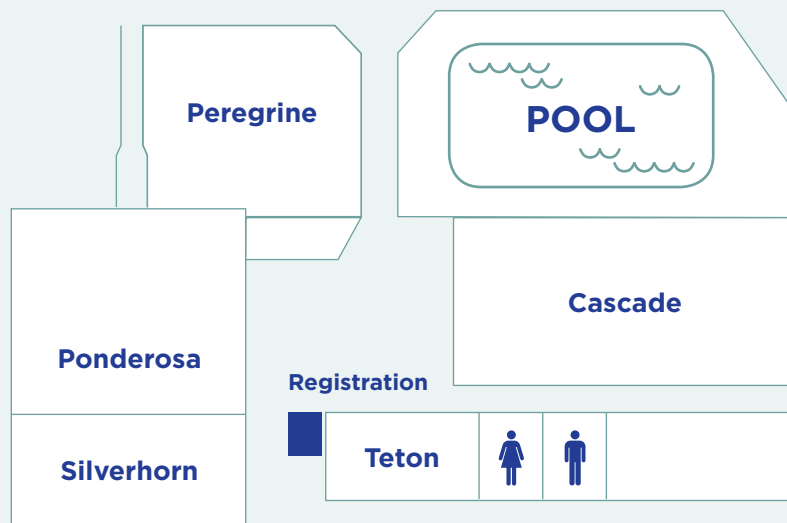
10:45 – Noon **Conference Summary**
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WIWS PRESENTERS

Dr. Chad Boyd	Rangeland Scientist US Department of Agriculture
Alan Clark	Wildlife Section Chief Utah Department of Natural Resources
Dr. John Freemuth	Andrus Center Senior Fellow and Professor Boise State University
Dr. Dean Kelch	Primary State Botanist California Department of Food & Agriculture
Ted Koch	Nevada State Supervisor US Fish and Wildlife Service
Jeremy Maestas	Sagebrush Ecosystem Specialist National Resources Conservation Service
Ken Mayer	Fire and Invasive Initiative Coordinator Western Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies
Virgil Moore	Director Idaho Fish and Game
Rex McKnight	State Fire Management Officer Bureau of Land Management, Nevada
Dr. Jamie K. Reaser	Executive Director National Invasive Species Council
Janice M. Schneider	Assistant Secretary for Land and Minerals Management US Department of the Interior
Dr. Roger Sheley	Ecologist United States Department of Agriculture
Noreen Walsh	Regional Director US Fish and Wildlife Service

CONFERENCE CENTER

GUEST ROOMS



PARKING LOT