

2023 OESF Science Conference

Linking Science to Natural Resource Management



May 3, 2023, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. | Rainforest Arts Center, Forks, WA

Join the Washington State Department of Natural Resources (DNR) for our annual update on scientific research and monitoring in the Olympic Experimental State Forest (OESF). The OESF Science Conference is **being held in person for the first time since 2019!**



The morning sessions will feature presentations on stream productivity, red alder cultivation, steelhead trout population status, and more. During the break, undergraduate and graduate students doing research in the OESF will share their work on acoustic monitoring, coho salmon density, stream macroinvertebrates, and other topics in a poster session. **New this year**, DNR has invited local organizations doing ecological research, monitoring, and habitat restoration on the Olympic Peninsula to host information tables during the poster session.

In the afternoon, DNR will hold a panel discussion on the [Type 3 Watershed Experiment](#). Panelists representing the science, land management, forestry, education, and other aspects of the project will share their unique perspectives and answer questions about the planning and implementation of this ground-breaking experiment.



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Following the panel discussion, participants are invited to Calawah Park in north Forks for demonstrations of acoustic recording units, light meters, and other less-familiar field monitoring equipment. Researchers will show how the equipment works, share sample data, and answer your questions.

Registration

The conference is free, but registration is required. To register, [click here](#). Please register by **April 19**. Before the conference, you will receive a program with an agenda, map, scientific abstracts, and other information.

Questions?

- For general inquiries, contact Cathy Chauvin at Cathy.Chauvin@dnr.wa.gov.
- For questions about the morning presentations, poster session, or afternoon session, contact Teodora Minkova at Teodora.Minkova@dnr.wa.gov.
- For questions about the Forks area, contact Emily Gardner at Emily.Gardner@dnr.wa.gov.
- For more information on the OESF, visit www.dnr.wa.gov/oesf.

Hope to See You There!

