

# WSWRA 2021 Annual Conference

## Davenport Hotel, Spokane

December 1-3, 2021

(Updated 11/15/21)

### December 1<sup>st</sup>

10:00 am to  
12:00 pm

#### Legislative Reports – Davenport Boardroom

-**Mike Schwisow**, WSWRA Government Relations Specialist

-**Ian Lyle**, Executive Vice President, NWRA

-**Mark Limbaugh**, The Ferguson Group

-**Tom Myrum**, WSWRA Federal Priorities

1:00 pm

#### Registration – Hall of the Doges Foyer

1:30 pm to  
3:30 pm

#### Irrigation Workshop – Grand Pennington B

-Ransom Ware- **Aaron Howell**, KID Infrastructure Engineer

-Public Affairs – **Jennifer Korfiatis**, ECBID Public Affairs

-Capital Improvement Plans, **Ben Woodard**, KID Engineering & Operations Asst Manager & **John O’Callaghan**, Manager, SCBID

1:30 to 3:30 pm

#### Yakima Basin Integrated Plan Briefing – Grand Pennington A

4:00 to 5:30 pm

#### Welcoming Reception – Hall of the Doges Foyer

### December 2<sup>nd</sup>

7:30 to 9:00 am

#### Headliner Breakfast – Marie Antoinette Ballroom

-**Dan Keppen**, Executive Director, Family Farm Alliance

9:00 am to

#### Keynote – Reclamation Updates

10:00 am

- **Roland Springer**, Acting Regional Director, Columbia-Pacific Northwest Region USBR

- 10:15 Break - Hall of the Doges foyer
- 10:30 am to 12:00 pm Climate, Water Supply and Drought? – Grand Pennington Ballroom
- 12:00 pm
- Nick Bond**, Washington State Climatologist
  - Melissa Downes**, WA Dept. of Ecology, Office of Columbia River, Water Supply Forecast
  - Jaclyn Hancock**, WA Department of Agriculture, Drought Coordinator
- 12:15 pm WSWRA Awards Luncheon – Marie Antoinette Ballroom
- WSWRA Water Resources Leadership Award presented by WSWRA Past President Craig Simpson to **Mike Miller, Greater Wenatchee Irrigation District Manager and WSWRA President**
  - WSWRA Distinguished Service Award presented to **Bryan Alford, South Columbia Basin Irrigation District Director**
  - WSWRA Distinguished Service Award presented to **Kiel Weaver, Minority Staff Director, House Water, Oceans and Wildlife subcommittee, US House of Representatives.**
- 2:00 pm to 3:15 pm Legal Issues Panel – Grand Pennington Ballroom
- Brad Crockett**, Employment Law for Irrigation Districts, Wolff, Hislop & Crockett, Spokane, WA
  - Anna Franz**, Legal Issues for Website and Social Media Managers, ECBID Counsel, Kenison and Franz, Moses Lake, WA
- 3:15 Break -Hall of the Doges foyer

3:30 pm

## WSWRA General Membership Meeting – Grand Pennington Ballroom

**-President Miller Presiding**

-NWRA National Directors report

-Executive Director's report

-Nominations Committee report & Election of Directors

3:50 pm

## WSWRA Board of Directors Meeting – Grand Pennington Ballroom

-Installation of directors

-Election and installation of officers

-Appointment of at-large Executive Committee

**December 3<sup>rd</sup>**

7:00 am

## Headliner Breakfast – Marie Antoinette Ballroom

**-Derek Sandison** – Director, Washington State Department of Ecology

9:00 am

## Keynote Speaker – Grand Pennington Ballroom

**-Laura Watson** – Director, Washington State Department of Ecology

9:30 am

## Wildfire Response in Irrigation Territory

**-Kendra Fallon** – Regional Wildland Fire Coordinator, USBR

**-Justin Harter** – Manager, Naches-Selah Irrigation District

10:30 am

## Break – Hall of the Doges Foyer

11:00 am

## Water Banking – New Developments

**-Robin McPherson**, Dept. of Ecology – Status of Water Banking

**-Nathan Draper** – Manager, Selah-Moxee Irrigation District

See you next year at the Davenport Hotel

