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As costs for mailing and printing each edition of *Conservation News* are increasing, our grant funding to cover newsletter production is decreasing. To help lower costs and continue to have enough funds to publish the newsletter, we encourage subscribers to switch to the electronic version sent out via email. A simple switch to electronic delivery can be done by filling out the form at <https://clallamcd.org/newsletter-subscription> or calling us at 360-775-3747 ext. 5.

The new and improved electronic newsletter will include more photos than the mailed newsletter, and contain website links that can easily be followed by clicking on them. Spam emails are never sent to electronic subscribers, only the quarterly newsletter and an occasional reminder or workshop notice.

While on the district website, take notice of the new online registration process for workshops and classes, including a way to pay for those that have a cost associated with them. The hope is that electronic registration will help streamline the process for both attendees and district staff.

Sustainable Landscaping Classes

Natural Landscaping Course

Learn how to design and install a sustainable landscape that will work for you and the environment. Lecture and field trip topics include how to evaluate your site, native plant identification, landscape design basics, site preparation and planting, stormwater management, and more.

WHEN: Tuesday evening sessions 6:00 to 8:30, October 2, 9, and 16 and Saturday field trips on October 6, 13 and 20.

WHERE: Dungeness River Audubon Center in Sequim (evening classes)

COST: \$25 materials fee. Register at <https://clallamcd.org/workshops> or by calling 360-775-3747 x 5.



Landscaping With Native Plants Field Workshop

Learn how to identify over 25 native trees and shrubs, their wildlife benefits and how to incorporate them into residential landscapes, all while walking trails in the beautiful Dungeness Recreation Area.

WHEN: October 13th (Saturday) from 9:00 to Noon

WHERE: Dungeness Recreation Area

COST: FREE. Register at <https://clallamcd.org/workshops> or by calling 360-775-3747 x 5.

2019 Native Plant Sale Pre-Orders



Mock Orange

Place Large Orders Now

Place orders now of **100 or more** native plants of **the same species** by contacting the Conservation District via email at info@clallamcd.org or phone 360-775-3747 x 1.

These large orders can be purchased at substantial bulk discounts. The deadline for placing large pre-orders is November 15, 2018. Plants will be available for pick-up on March 2, 2019. Prepayment is required. Limited quantities are

available at the large order pricing and will be sold on a first come, first served basis.

Place Smaller Orders in December and January

Regular plant sale ordering takes place between December 4, 2018 and January 24, 2019. This includes bundles of 10 for all species, as well as bundles of 25 for conifer trees.



Red Flowering Current

Order forms and pricing information will be included in the Winter issue of the district newsletter, which will go out the first week of December, and will also be posted online. Please visit www.clallamcd.org for more information on the plant sale, including descriptions of plants that are offered.

Replanting your Forestland

Choose plant species based on site conditions. Below are guidelines for common Western Washington forestland species.

- Full sunlight: Douglas fir, red alder
- Some shade: grand fir, western hemlock, western red cedar, Sitka spruce
- Wet sites: grand fir, shore pine, Sitka spruce, western red cedar
- Dry sites: Douglas fir, shore pine
- More tolerant of wildlife damage: Sitka spruce

Plant the right time of year. Seedlings should be planted when they are dormant, generally December through March. Don't plant in frozen ground or during freezing temperatures, as fine root hairs may freeze.

Space trees appropriately. It is generally recommended to space tree seedlings 10 feet apart (431 trees per acre) to 12 feet apart (303 trees per acre) for most forest plantations. Current Western Washington reforestation regulations require a minimum of 190 healthy trees evenly distributed per acre (approximately 15' x 15'). If you think you may have high mortality based on difficult site conditions (potential wildlife damage, lack of moisture, etc.) plant at a higher density. To minimize thinning of forestland in the future, consider planting at a lower density.

There are many publications available for forest landowners. Washington State University Extension has a great guide titled *Backyard Forestry in Western Washington* found at: <http://cru.cahe.wsu.edu/CEPublications/EM026E/EM026E.pdf> and WA Department of Natural Resources has a brochure titled *Planting Forest Seedlings* found at http://file.dnr.wa.gov/publications/frc_webster_plantingforestseedlings.pdf

Large Orders for 2019 Plant Sale	PRICE (Per 100 Plants)
Conifers	
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Douglas Fir	\$64.00
Grand Fir	\$64.00
Shore Pine	\$64.00
Sitka Spruce	\$64.00
Western Hemlock	\$87.00
Western Red Cedar	\$108.00
Hardwoods	
Big Leaf Maple	\$102.00
Pacific Crab Apple	\$92.00
Rocky Mtn Maple	\$97.00
Red Alder	\$87.00
Vine Maple	\$92.00
Shrubs	
Blue Elderberry	\$92.00
Indian plum	\$92.00
Mock Orange	\$118.00
Ninebark	\$97.00
Nootka Rose	\$92.00
Oceanspray	\$97.00
Oregon Grape - Low	\$87.00
Red Elderberry	\$92.00
Red Flowering Current	\$92.00
Red Osier Dogwood	\$92.00
Serviceberry	\$87.00
Snowberry	\$133.00
Thimbleberry	\$97.00
Twinberry	\$97.00

Free Farm Tour: Winter Horsekeeping

WHEN: September 25th (Tuesday) from 3:00 to 4:30PM

WHERE: Horse farm in the Carlsborg area. Address provided upon registration.

COST: FREE, however, pre-registration is required at <https://clallamcd.org/workshops> or by calling 360-775-3747 x 5.

Join Clallam Conservation District staff to learn how to prep your horse farm for the upcoming winter months. Simple maintenance and preparation now can significantly decrease muddy conditions later this winter.



The workshop will include a tour of a private 5-acre horse farm in the Carlsborg area. The owners have installed gravel heavy use areas (*seen in above photo*), a track paddock (*photo on left*) that provides space for horses to roam while allowing three cuttings of hay, and have a small-acreage irrigation system. The workshop will also include looking at features in their well laid out barn, and tips for making winter farm chores much easier.

Prepping Your Farm for Winter

- ⇒ **Don't overgraze pastures. Maintain a 3" to 4" stubble height going into the fall.** Carbohydrate reserves are reduced in overgrazed grasses, which will starve new young grass shoots and slow or stop root formation, resulting in less forage during the next year's grazing season.
- ⇒ **Mow and drag pastures** after grazing to spread out manure, and clip weeds and old grass plants.
- ⇒ **Apply lime.** Raising the pH of your soil using lime helps grass plants better utilize nutrients present in the soil, and the fall and winter rains will help the lime incorporate into your soil.
- ⇒ **Prepare for a mud-free winter by installing gravel footing** in winter confinement areas and checking and replacing faulty gutters and downspouts on barns.
- ⇒ **Plan ahead for watering animals during the winter.** Consider utilizing roof runoff water to fill stock watering tanks, and install frost free hydrants and stock tank heaters for watering animals during freezing conditions.

21st Clallam County Farm Tour

WHEN: September 29th (Saturday) from 10:00 to 4:00PM

WHERE: Various locations from Agnew to Sequim

There will be fun for adults and children alike: farm-fresh food, live music, educational demos, and hayrides at just \$10 per carload. Farms on the stop this year include Lazy J Tree Farm, Finn Hall Farm, Five Acre School, and Dungeness Valley Creamery (all of which Clallam Conservation District has worked with on conservation planning over the years), as well as Agnew Grocery and Feed and Jardin du Soleil.

Visit North Olympic Land Trust's website at <https://northolympiclandtrust.org/event/21st-clallam-county-farm-tour/> for more information.



A Jersey calf enjoying attention at the Dungeness Valley Creamery.

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