



Foothills Restoration Forum

“Evolving Energy and Climate on the Grasslands”

11th Annual FRF Fall Information Session - Thursday, November 16th, 2017

Claresholm Community Centre, 5920-5928 59th Ave W, Claresholm, AB

FINAL DRAFT AGENDA

- 8:00 am** **Registration & Check In**
- 8:45 am** **Welcome** – *Jane Lancaster, FRF Coordinator, Kestrel Research Inc.*
- 8:55 am** **Conservation Assessments: When and Where They Apply** – *Amanda Miller, AEP*
- 9:15 am** **Grassland Management in the Municipal District of Taber** – *Brian Peers, MD of Taber*
- 9:35 am** **Knowing your Public Land’s Approval Clauses in Native Grasslands** – *Susan McGillivray, Alberta Environment and Parks*
- 10:00 am** **Updates:**
- **Lethbridge College**
 - **Recovery Strategies Project**
 - **Grumpy’s Greenhouses / Landscaping**
- 10:10 am** **Coffee/Networking Break**
- 10:30 am** **Reflection: Mr. James Hargrave** – *Barry Adams*
- 10:40 am** **A Thousand Years of Variability in Grassland Climate** – *Dr. David Sauchyn and Dr. Mary Vetter, University of Regina*
- 11:30 am** **Challenges and New Ideas for Reclaiming Grassland Wellsites** – *Debbie Tainton, CNRL*
- 11:50 am** **Increasing the Supply of Native Seed in Alberta** – *Christina Small, InnoTech Alberta*
- 12:00 pm** **LUNCH**
- 12:45 pm** **Agriculture in the Crossroads of Grassland Loss and Restoration** – *Dr. Marian Weber, InnoTech Alberta*
- 1:05 pm** **Kainai Restoration Projects** – *Marsha Heavy Head, Blood Tribe Land Management*
- 1:25 pm** **Producer Management and Industrial Disturbance Influences on Grassland Seed Banks in Alberta** – *Lysandra Pyle, PhD candidate, University of Alberta*
- 1:40 pm** **Analysis of Native Prairie Cover from 1986 to 2016** – *David Spiess, Alberta Agriculture and Forestry, and Preston Sorenson, Maapera Analytics Inc. and Derrick?*
- 2:10 pm** **Coffee/Networking Break**
- 2:30 pm** **After the Fire – Waterton National Park**, *Robert Sissons, Parks Canada*
- 2:45 pm** **Siting Renewable Energy Projects to Protect Wildlife Habitat** – *Kristin Cline, AEP*
- 3:10 pm** **Updates:**
- **Medicine Hat College** – *Gerry Ehlert*
 - **Reclamation Regulatory Update** - *Susan McGillivray*
 - **Prairie Conservation Forum** - *Ron McNeil*
 - **Certified Seed vs. Certificates of Analysis** – *Jane Lancaster*
- 3:45 pm** **Final Thoughts & Adjournment**