

## Western Regional Council on Forest Engineering Meeting 2026

**Date:** January 8, 2026

**Location:** Lebanon, OR

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7 am Registration opens & coffee available

8 am Introduction to WR COFE & Seminar

8:15 am Forest Road Construction

*Advancements in Drilling and Blasting Technologies* (Adam Anderson, Blake Seubert, and Alex Cote, Aggregate Resource Industries)

*Designing Forest Roads for a Changing World* (Matthew Dickie, Softree)

9:15 am Sponsor update: Pape' Machinery

9:25 am Break (refreshments provided)

9:55 am Logging Innovation

*Remote Mechanized Felling for the Future* (Dale Ewers, DC Equipment NZ)

*Development of the New Hybrid Electric Yarder* (Tyson Lambert, T-MAR Industries)

10:55 am Break (refreshments provided)

11:00 am Forest Operations

*Tethered Felling Fuel Reduction in Northern California* (Bridger Paradis, Cal Poly Humboldt)

*MyFieldTracker: Geofencing Boundaries, Electronic Load Tickets, Machine Tracking* (Nick Skrepetos, MyFieldTracker)

12:00 pm Sponsor update: Triad Machinery

12:10 pm LUNCH (provided)

12:40 pm Announcements: Jerry Sedlak Memorial Scholarship and the Ed and Sylvia Aulerich Scholarship

Student scholarship winner introductions

Ticket Raffle

1:40 pm WR COFE 2027 Program Development (all participants)

2:10 pm Sponsor update: Modern Machinery

2:20 pm Forestry Workforce

*California Licensed Timber Operators Study* (Hunter Harrill, Cal Poly Humboldt)  
*Oregon Forest Operations and Management Workforce Study* (Jade Aguilar,  
ECONorthwest)

3:20 pm Conference wrap-up

3:25 pm Adjourn