

# 45<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL MEETING OF THE INLAND EMPIRE REFORESTATION COUNCIL

- 7am** Registration opens & coffee social
- 8am** **Introduction and Welcome** – Tim Spoelma, IERC Chair, Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation
- 8:15** **Planning for Reforestation Post Fire: Quantifying Current and Projected Reforestation Needs in the Pacific Northwest** – Brian Morris, Vice President, Resilient Reforestation, American Forests
- 9:00** **Failure is Not an Option: Overcoming Reforestation Challenges on Warm/Dry Sites in Western Montana** – Tim Spoelma, Silviculturist/Forest Ecologist, Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation
- 9:35** Sponsor Spotlight: **Rooted Forestry, Michael Taylor**
- 9:45** Sponsor Spotlight: **Trico Pro, Mark Boardman**
- 9:55** Break
- 10:25** **Conifer Establishment and Growth on Harsh Sites with Herbicides** – Ed Fredrickson, Thunder Road Resources
- 11:05** **Weed Management on Tough Sites** – Tanner Smith, Vegetation Management Specialist, Corteva Agriscience
- 11:45** Sponsor Spotlight: **Corteva Agriscience Forestry Update, Tanner Smith**
- 12:00** Lunch - **Sponsored by Envu**
- 1:00** **Rapid Reforestation After Fire** – Jon Hardy, Northeast Region Management Forester, and Cole Shirley, Washington Department of Natural Resources
- 1:30** **Modeling Seedling Mortality Using Competing Vegetation Abundance and Applied Ecophysiology** – Carlos Gonzalez-Benecke, Associate Professor Forest Regeneration, OSU, and Director, Vegetation Management Research Cooperative
- 2:00** **Between Borders and Break Rooms** – Juan Garcia, Human Resource Manager, Alpha Services
- 2:30** Sponsor Spotlight: **JRP Solutions Ltd., Doug Folkins**
- 2:50** Break
- 3:05** **Climate Based Seed Transfer for Inland Conifers** – Marc L. Rust, Director, Inland Empire Tree Improvement Cooperative
- 3:45** Sponsor Spotlight: **Helena-Agri Enterprises Forestry Update, Charlie Hanna**
- 4:05** **Closing Remarks and Adjourn**
- 4:15** Conference Social - **Sponsored by Helena-Agri and Trico Pro**

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