

WSU EXTENSION NEWS

Stevens County Newsletter

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Time to get BUSY outdoors!



4-H Happenings

Youth FISHING Day
JUNE 10
9 AM - 1 PM
hosted by Stevens County 4-H

Held rain or shine at 4-H Camp Princess Pine on Lake Thomas

Fishing, scavenger hunt, and other fun activities for youth ages 5-15. Hot dogs and s'mores for lunch!

Youth Fishing Day

hosted by Stevens County 4-H

Join us on **Saturday, June 10** for a day of fishing and fun at Princess Pine 4-H Camp on Lake Thomas. The fun filled day of fishing and related natural resource activities begins at 9 am and concludes around 1 pm. Prizes, hot dogs, and s'mores will be provided. 4-H enrollment is not required so invite a friend. Adults are encouraged to attend and help their children. The fishing day is free to attend and will be held rain or shine. Remember to bring your life jacket. Open to youth ages 5-15. For more information or to sign up contact WSU Stevens County Extension at 684.2588 or sgordon@wsu.edu

For information about our 4-H program, visit our website:

[4-H Youth | Stevens County](#) or contact [Shannon Rowley](#), 509-684-2588

Agriculture News

May 20th 2023

Stevens County Veteran Farmer Grazing Tour

Join us for a field day to discuss grazing management on farm with Clover Mountain Dairy and Curtis Ranch!

EVENT DESCRIPTION	WHEN AND WHERE
Sign up today for a farm tour and a discussion on grazing tips, tricks, and tools. Learn about taking simple field measurements for forage, the basics of electric fencing systems, and more! We'll meet at Curtis Cattle Ranch first to check out the red angus operation, and then caravan to Clover Mountain for a brass tacks workshop on grazing on their Jersey cow dairy.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 9 AM Meet at Curtis Ranch: 1775 Curtis Way (off of Hutchison Rd.), Addy WA. ● 10:30 AM Meet at Clover Mountain Dairy: 1716 Blue Creek Rd., Blue Creek WA

This is a free event. Sign up by calling 509-685-2898 or emailing dclowser@stevenscountywa.gov



Feeling Stressed? Need to release tension constructively? We have farm stress squeezies to help you! Plus First Aid Kits to keep on hand in truck or tractor.

www.farmstress.us
Farm Aid Resource Line:
1-800-FARM-AID (327-6243)

For more information about Agriculture programs offered by WSU Extension in Stevens County, please visit our website: [Agriculture | Stevens County](#), email: Kathryn.Hoogheem or call 509-684-2588

[Farmer Assistance Request Form](#)

Forestry News



For information about our Forestry program, visit our website:

[Extension Forestry, Eastern Washington | Washington State University](#)

or contact Andy Perleberg, Eastern WA Team Leader 509-630-4217 (cell)

Forestry In-service Training for Educators

This in-service training on **June 16 – 17** is an annual tour informing agricultural & natural resources educators about forest management and silviculture, mechanics and safety, genetics and nursery, fire a forest ecology, planning and operations, technology, and educational partnerships. Continuing education units are available. The program is sponsored by Washington Association of Agricultural Educators as a pre-conference training opportunity, with Summer Inservice Conference **June 18 - 22, 2023**, at Northern Quest Resort – Airway Heights, WA.

To register, contact JD Baser, jbaser@wsu.edu; For program details, contact Andy Perleberg, andy@wsu.edu

2023 WSU-DNR Forest & Rangeland Owners Field Day

The eastern Washington **Forest & Rangeland Owners Field Day** is **8am – 4:30pm, Saturday, June 24**, at the Kalispel Tribe's [Indian Creek Community Forest](#) located between Newport and Usk, WA.

~~ Details Coming! ~~



Stevens County and the Spokane Tribe have been awarded separate grants to increase high-speed internet connections!

This is the next significant step toward Washington State Broadband Office's goal to have high-speed internet access available to every Washington resident and business.

- **Spokane Tribe** – \$3,418,063 for the Spokane Tribe; HWY 231
- **Tri County Economic Development District** – \$12,000,000; Central Stevens County Hybrid Broadband project.

This news is hot off the presses, so more information will be available soon.

And more good news!

Declaration Network Group is deploying a 100-mile fiber network in Stevens County, Washington, funded by NTIA. This fiber optic network will be along Highway 25 in Stevens County, serving residents and businesses in the towns of Newport, North Kettle Falls, and Marcus, plus the unincorporated communities of Deep Lake, Bossburg, Ryan, and Marble and Evans. Under its NeuBeam™ brand, DNG provides high-speed internet services. For any questions, please contact: Barry Toser [barry@declarationnetworks.com]

Master Gardener News

ASK A MASTER GARDENER!

Mondays, 9-11am — **Answer/Plant Clinic** at WSU Extension office, 986 S Main St., Suite D, Colville (or call 509-684-2588, or email extensionstevens@wsu.edu)

2nd Saturday of the month — **Booth** at Colville Farmers Market, 9am-1pm

4th Friday of the month — **Booth** at Chewelah Farmers Market, 11am-3:30pm

The Master Gardener program needs your support! Click the CougsGive logo to go directly to our current campaign for creating an Endowed Chair Faculty Position at WSU! Thanks! >>>>>



For information about our Master Gardener program:

[Master Gardeners | Stevens County](#) or contact [Linda Teller](#), 509-684-2588