

Pacific Madrone Research Conference

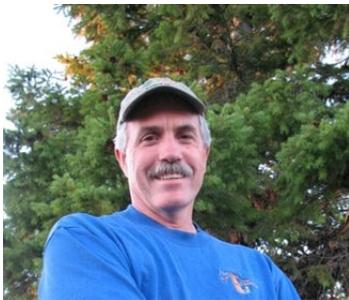
"The Future of Pacific Madrone"

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Biographical information

Glenn Ahrens is Extension Forester, Oregon State University Extension Service, Clackamas, Marion, E. Multnomah, and Hood River Counties, and Director, OSU Hardwood Silviculture Cooperative. His general mission for OSU Extension is to improve Oregonians' knowledge of forest resources and options for sustaining and expanding benefits from forests.

Glenn has a B.S. in Forestry from Humboldt State University (1982) and an M.S. in Forest Science from Oregon State University (1990). He has over 30 years of experience in research, Extension, and private consulting. Glenn's areas of specialty include forest ecology, vegetation management, and hardwood management.



Marianne Elliott is a plant pathologist at Washington State University Puyallup Research and Extension Center. She works with diseases of woody plants in forests and ornamental nurseries.

Rita L. Hummel is a Washington State University faculty member specializing in Environmental Horticulture. She teaches Interior Plantscaping and conducts research on nursery, greenhouse, and landscape plant production including native plants and strategies for improving longevity of trees and shrubs in the landscape by preventing root structural defects.

Dr. Linda Chalker-Scott has a Ph.D. in Horticulture from Oregon State University and is an ISA certified arborist and an ASCA consulting arborist. She is WSU's Extension Urban Horticulturist and an Associate Professor in the Department of Horticulture. She is the author of four books, most recently publishing *How Plants Work: The Science Behind the Amazing Things Plants Do*.

She and her academic colleagues host “The Garden Professors” blog and Facebook pages, through which they educate and entertain an international audience.

Valerie Hipkins

Valerie joined the US Forest Service in 1993 and is the Director of the National Forest Genetics Laboratory (NFGEL) located at the Institute of Forest Genetics in Placerville, California, USA. As Director of NFGEL, Valerie is responsible for project development, client relations, scientific reporting, and administrative duties including budget planning for the unit. NFGEL provides genetic testing and information for solutions to on-the-ground problems faced by natural resource managers and policy makers. Valerie received her B.S. in Forestry from Humboldt State University, and her M.S. in Forest Science (tree physiology) and Ph.D. in Genetics and Forestry from Oregon State University.

Richard Sniezko is Center Geneticist with the U.S. Forest Service, Pacific Northwest Region’s Dorena Genetic Resource Center in Cottage Grove, Oregon, USA. His work focuses on operational development of genetic resistance to non-native forest tree diseases, as well as genetic variation and genetic conservation in forest trees. His BS degree was from Humboldt State University and his Ph.D. from North Carolina State University. Prior to joining h the Forest Service in 1991, he worked in Zimbabwe (3 years) and at Oregon State University (in conjunction with PNW Research Station). He is coordinator of IUFRO 2.02.15 Working Group (Breeding and genetic resources of five-needle pines, <http://www.iufro.org/science/divisions/division-2/20000/20200/20215/>), and ad hoc coordinator/facilitator for the ‘Genetics of Host-Parasite Interactions in Forestry’ working group that met in 2011 and 2015 (http://ucanr.edu/sites/tree_resistance_2011conference/; <https://colloque.inra.fr/tree-parasite-interactions2015>)