



Agenda

12:00-12:05	Welcome & Introductions
12:05-12:50	Native Plants of the Sage-Steppe & Their Values
(Al Murphy)	
12:50-1:00	Q & A
1:00-1:45	Designing with Native Plants
(Betsy Dudash)	
1:45-1:55	Q & A
1:55-2:05	Break
2:05-2:50	Soil Health Basics & Soil Testing
(Bonnie Orr)	
2:50-3:00	Q & A
3:00 - 3:45	Noxious Weeds: Laws, Identification, Control Methods, and Management
(Julie Sanderson)	
3:45 - 3:55	Q & A
3:55 - 4:00	Wrap up
South Douglas Conservation District Tree and Shrub Sale	

Presenters



Al Murphy is a retired forester. He spent his 37 year career with the US Forest Service and the Bureau of Land Management working in most of the western United States. Al spent over 20 years on National Fire Overhead teams. While working for the BLM, at the National Interagency Fire Center, he provided financial and technical assistance to local communities throughout the west. He has received multiple national awards recognizing his leadership in interagency fire management. Assisting communities in reducing losses from wildland fires has been Al's passion for many years.

Betsy Dudash is a Purdue-trained landscape horticulturist and designer. She is passionate about sharing her knowledge of native plants and how to use them in the landscape with both clients and her Continuing Education students.

Bonnie Orr has been a Chelan Douglas Master Gardener since 1996 and a Master Composter since 1993. She is an active community public speaker and has had a radio show for 21 years and a TV show for 3 seasons. Bonnie loves solving mysteries at the diagnostic clinic and the farmer's market booth. Her garden provides sanctuary and food for native birds and incorporates more than 100 species of plants. She grows a year-around vegetable garden. When she is not gardening, Bonnie is travelling as a bird watcher.

Julie Sanderson is a botanist working as the Field Supervisor for the Chelan County Noxious Weed Control Board since 2010. Julie worked for eight years with the BLM on rare plant and restoration projects. She has also taught Plant Taxonomy and Biology classes at Wenatchee Valley College and is a member of the Wenatchee Chapter of the Washington Native Plant Society. Julie holds degrees in botany and plant pathology from the University of Wisconsin, but has called Washington home for 25 years.