10th Native Prairie Restoration/Reclamation Workshop

Theme: Building Bridges to Tomorrow: Restoration and Reclamation for the Future **February 8, 2024**

8:00-9:00	Light Breakfast available on Mezzanine		
Rooms>>	SK Ballroom B		
9:00-9:15	Greetings		
9:15-10:10	Plenary 3: Applying Saskatchewan Ministry of Energy and Resources Directive PNG 045: Alternative Solution on Environmentally Sensitive Land Jonas Fenn, White Cap Resources Ltd and Todd Han, Pathway Environmental Solutions Inc.		
10:10 – 10:40	Coffee / Poster Session / Trade Show - Mezzanine		
Rooms >>	SK Ballroom A Session 10: Industry	SK Ballroom B	SK Ballroom C Session 12: Case Study
10:40-11:10	Recovery Strategies for	Session 11: Big Picture Tools Applying Conservation	Case Study:
10.40-11.10	Industrial Development in Native Grassland – the Dry Mixedgrass Natural Subregion. Jane Lancaster, Grasslands Restoration Forum	Standards to Native Prairie Management in Protected Areas Ashleigh Westphal, Environment and Climate Change Canada	Seed Selection
11:10-11:40	A Boots-on-the-Ground Approach at Grasslands Reclamation in Southwestern Saskatchewan Amanda Farnsworth, Trace Associates	Advancing a framework for ecological monitoring in the Meewasin Valley region Eve Keller, Meewasin Valley Authority	
11:40-12:10	Leveraging GIS for Environmental and Cultural Protection: A SaskEnergy Case Study Tara Sample, SaskEnergy	The Bird-Friendliness Index, an outcome-based indicator of conservation impact for grassland birds Kiel Drake, Birds Canada	
Rooms >>		SK Ballroom B	
12:10-1:10	Lunch Coffee / Poster Session / Trade Show		
Rooms >>	SK Ballroom A	SK Ballroom B	SK Ballroom C
1:10-1:40	Session 13: Tools Integrating remote sensing and GIS to manage woody plant expansion in native prairie Irini Soubry, University of Saskatchewan	Session 14: Fire Recovery of Native Grassland Productivity Following Wildfire Sera Grover, University of Saskatchewan	Session 15: Engagement More than Just Ecological Restoration Ian Hnatowich, Wanuskewin Heritage Park
1:40-2:10	Estimating the extent of native grassland landcover in Saskatchewan using machine learning and big data Thiago Frank, University of Saskatchewan	Applications of and barriers to prescribed fire for grassland management Dale Gross, SK Ministry of Parks, Culture and Sport	Community engagement as a tool for adaptive resource management and ecological restoration in the Meewasin River Valley Erica Maier, Meewasin Valley Authority
2:10-2:40	Ground Truth Data Collection for National Grassland Inventory: Challenges and Opportunities Heather Peat Hamm, Canadian Forage and Grassland Association	Response of grassland biomass and diversity to fire across the Canadian prairies Roy Vera-Velez, Canadian Prairies Prescribed Fire Exchange	Central Prairies Living Lab approach for restoration and rejuvenation of prairie Michael Schellenberg, South of the Divide Conservation Action Program
2:40-3:10	Coffee /	Poster Session / Trade Show - Mo	ezzanine
Rooms >>	SK Ballroom B		
3:10-4:00	Plenary 4: Building a community of restoration practice and science at Nachusa Grasslands Elizabeth Bach (The Nature Conservancy) Introduced by Trippett McKnight, Cenovus Energy		
4:00 -4:15	Closing Remarks Hand in Evaluations & Head Home - Safe Travels!		





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