



THIRD ANNUAL COBRE VALLEY WATER FORUM

Healthy Forest, Healthy Watershed

November 12-13, 2020 | 9:00am – 12:00pm

DAY 1: NOVEMBER 12

9:00	WELCOME <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Chris Jones, Extension Agent, Gila County Cooperative Extension
9:15	OPENING REMARKS
9:30	KEYNOTE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mary Lata, Fire Ecologist, US Forest Service Tonto National Forest - <i>Role of wildland fire and changing fire regimes around communities</i>
10:00	FOREST TO FAUCET: HOW FORESTS IMPACT THE WATERSHED Moderator: Michael Seronde , University of Arizona Water Resources Research Center <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Paul La Farga, Graduate Research Assistant, and Ashley Hullinger, Research Analyst, University of Arizona Water Resources Research Center - <i>Benefits and Risks of Forest Health in Cobre Valley</i> - Victoria Hermosilla, Coordinator, Cobre Valley Watershed Partnership - <i>Providing Ways for the Watershed to Come Together</i> Q&A 15 minutes
10:45	BREAKOUT ROOMS Share reactions and questions from the previous presentations
11:00	FOREST TO VIBRANT COMMUNITY: HOW FORESTS IMPACT HUMAN HEALTH Moderator: Benjamin Downer , FCHS Coordinator, University of Arizona Gila County Cooperative Extension <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Linda Oddonetto, Economic Development Director, City of Globe; Thea Wilshire, Chairperson for Recreation Subcommittee; and Melissa Steele, Economic Development Specialist, City of Globe, Cobre Valley Collaborative – <i>Creating Love of Place Through Recreation: Cobre Valley Recreation Masterplan Proposal</i> - Glen Lineberry, Principal, Miami School District – <i>Preparing the next generation of water stewards and increasing community water resilience</i> Q&A 15 minutes
11:45	ADJOURN: SEE YOU TOMORROW

DAY 2: November 13

9:00	WELCOME & RECAP <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Tim Humphrey, Supervisor, Gila County
9:15	KEYNOTE <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Jim Morgan, Fire Chief, Pinetop Fire District - <i>This is what it means to be a fire-adapted community</i>
9:35	PANEL: COMPARING LESSONS OF MITIGATING & RESPONDING TO WILDFIRES <p>Panel Goal: Shed light on threats associated with the Wildland Urban Interface (WUI), impacts of wildfires to our communities and economic activities, and steps to become fire adapted for long-term watershed health.</p> <p>Moderator: Chris Jones, Extension Agent, Gila County Cooperative Extension</p> <p>Panel:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Dee Randall, Forest Manager, San Carlos Apache Tribe- Adam Bromley, District Ranger, US Forest Service Tonto National Forest- Stephen Flora, Senior Hydrologist, Salt River Project (SRP)- Lori Brown, Owner, Brown Ranch, Tonto Natural Resource Conservation District (NRCD)- Carl Melford, Emergency Manager, Gila County Health and Emergency Management
10:40	BREAKOUT ROOMS: GETTING BEHIND A PROJECT (WHAT WILL IT TAKE AND HOW DO I FIT IN?) <p>Bringing experts and citizens together to discuss what they can do together to improve forest-watershed health locally.</p> <p>Questions will focus on mitigation of risks and specific projects:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- What can local citizens do on their property to improve forest-watershed health?- What resources does the community need?- What were the best examples that we heard from the forum speakers? What would work in the Cobre Valley? <p>Breakout Rooms:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Opportunities for new trails and trail maintenance2. Ecosystem services to policy3. Invasive grass control4. Education opportunities and community outreach5. Wildfire-Urban Interface (WUI) and tool development
11:15	REPORT BACK FROM BREAKOUT ROOMS
11:30	CLOSING REMARKS
12:00	ADJOURN

VIRTUAL FIELD TRIP

After the Forum is over, join us for a Virtual Field Trip of the rainwater harvesting and tree planting efforts taking place at Miami High School. Principal Glen Lineberry and teacher Amanda Bickel will guide us through the school grounds and discuss how they are teaching valuable skills and stewardship values to their students, along with providing a better environment for learning and adding to the urban tree canopy of Miami, Arizona.