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We are grateful to the speakers on the following pages for their time and contributions to the virtual, fifth annual <u>Carbon Friendly Forestry Conference</u>, and for sharing their important work and perspectives in the climate smart forestry space.

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Alyssa Macy - CEO, Washington Environmental Council & Washington Conservation Voters

Alyssa Macy is a citizen of the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs, Oregon and was raised on the Warm Springs Indian Reservation. She is of the Wasco, Navajo, and Hopi descent. Currently the CEO of Washington Environmental Council and Washington Conservation Voters, Alyssa recently served her Nation as the Chief Operations Officer where she was responsible for \$33 million in tribal programming and services. Her previous experiences include working transportation, campaign management, communications and international advocacy within United Nations bodies. She is a published writer and co-authored the first ever national report on Native American voting in 2005. She is a graduate of Arizona State University where she received her B.S. in Justice Studies and did her graduate studies at the University of Minnesota-Minneapolis.

Amrita joined EFM in 2011 and is a member of EFM's management team. In this role, she shapes the company's growth and impact investment strategies managing new product development, fund structuring and investor recruitment. Additionally, as a member of the investment committee, she contributes to property sourcing, transaction structuring, conservation finance, and carbon project development. Prior to EFM, Amrita was an Assistant Manager with Pricewaterhouse Coopers in Singapore for 5 years and she subsequently cultivated a passion for financing the growth of environmental business while working for Piper Jaffray's clean-tech banking group. Her love for forests began during a stint in Indonesia where she helped develop a carbon project on 200,000 hectares of pristine tropical peat forest. Amrita is a Fellow of the

Erb Institute and graduated from the University of Michigan with an MBA and an MS in Natural Resources.

Belinda Brown - Tribal Partnership Director, Lomakatsi Restoration Project

Belinda serves as Lomakatsi's Tribal Partnership Director and operates within the framework of Lomakatsi's Tribal Partnership Program and associated initiatives. Belinda works closely with Lomakatsi's Executive Director and staff leadership to serve tribal communities in their efforts to restore forests and watersheds on tribal trust and ancestral lands. She serves as a community liaison, engaging with tribal elders, tribal councils, cultural resource monitors and tribal department staff. Belinda also works to establish and promote effective working

relationships among the tribal community, Lomakatsi and federal agency and non-profit partners. Belinda is an enrolled member of the Kosealekte Band of the Ajumawi-Atsuge Nation (Pit River Tribe) and has served as an elected official on the Pit River Tribal Council and Cultural Representative as an appointed delegate at local, state and national levels. She has served Indian Country in intergovernmental affairs coordination, strategic planning and community development for the last thirty years.

Ben Dair - Senior Conservation Finance Manager, Sustainable Northwest

Ben works across Sustainable Northwest's Forest, Energy, and Green Markets program areas to increase the funding available to conservation projects by delivering analytical support and business services to partners. Ben is a graduate of the Yale School of Forestry and Environmental Studies and is a candidate for certification as a Chartered Financial Analyst. He received his bachelor's from Swarthmore College.

Amrita Vatsal - Managing Director, Business Development, EFM









Ben Hayes - Principal, Springboard Forestry LLC

Ben Hayes is a 6th generation Oregonian and leads Springboard Forestry – a consulting firm focused on conservation forestry, finance, water resources, and wood supply chains. Ben is also a co-owner of Hyla Woods, an experimental family forest in Oregon's coast range, and a board member of the Northwest Natural Resources Group.

He has a Masters of Forestry from Yale University, a Masters of Design from Harvard University, and a BA from Whitman College. Ben has completed additional training in forest appraisal, variable probability sampling design, conservation finance, and carbon project development. When not in the woods, Ben enjoys working on wooden boats and floating wild rivers.

Representative Bill Ramos - Washington State House of Representatives - 5th Legislative District

After growing up in East Oakland, California, Bill Ramos went on to study biology and forest sciences at Humboldt State University before joining the US Forest Service. During his 30-year forestry career – first in California, then in North Bend, Washington – he served as Director of Timber Management, Director of Recreation and Public Services, and Director of Ecosystem Management, managing a team of biologists and earth scientists tasked with environmental analyses of federal lands. Bill also spent time in Honduras with USAID working on Honduran forest protection and management.



In 2005, Bill joined the Federal Transit Administration as a community planner and tribal liaison. In this role, he worked collaboratively with tribes in the Pacific Northwest and Alaska to improve access to public transit on tribal lands.

In addition to his work in forestry and transportation planning, Bill served on the Issaquah City Council from 2016-2018 before joining the Washington State House of Representatives in 2019. Today, he sits on the House Public Safety Committee, House Transportation Committee, and House Rural Development, Agriculture, and Natural Resources Committee.

Csenka Favorini-Csorba - Senior Policy Advisor, WA State Department of Natural Resources

Csenka Favorini-Csorba is a Senior Policy Advisor for Climate and Community Resilience at the Washington State Department of Natural Resources, where she's leading an agency-wide effort to conserve one million acres and replant one million acres of Washington's forests. Prior to working in state government, she worked for six years at Earthworm Foundation, an international non-profit organization, where she provided strategic guidance to Chief Sustainability Officers and other company leaders as they developed and implemented responsible sourcing policies. Her work has followed pulp and paper, wood pellet, and palm oil supply chains upstream to forests in the US and Canada, parts of South America, Europe, and Southeast Asia, where she leveraged brand name buying power to improve forest and



social management practices on the ground. She has a Joint Master Degree of Environmental Sciences, Policy, and Management from the Central European University and an Honours Bachelor of Arts in Environmental Ethics from the University of Toronto.

David Diaz - Director of Forestry Technology & Analytics, Ecotrust

David Diaz has reported on international climate negotiations, developed how-to guides for forest carbon projects, designed carbon market accounting standards, and negotiated contracts for carbon offsets. Since 2013, he has worked with the nonprofit Ecotrust where he serves as Director of Forestry Technology & Analytics. David leads work to integrate open-source data science, geospatial analysis, and forest ecology and management to produce actionable science, user-friendly technologies, and data-driven insights that engage forest owners and enable improved forest management. He holds a BA in Environmental History from Harvard University, an MS in Soil Science from Oregon State University, and is a PhD candidate in the University of Washington School of Environmental and Forest Sciences.



David Mendoza - Director of Advocacy and Engagement, The Nature Conservancy - Washington

David is the Director of Advocacy and Engagement for the Washington chapter of The Nature Conservancy overseeing state and federal lobbying and policy communications staff. Prior to TNC, he was the founder of Inclusive Solutions – a policy, advocacy and communications consulting firm. Projects ranged from industry research and policy development to legislative advocacy and communications. Clients included state government agencies, cannabis retail companies, non-profits and labor unions. While representing Front & Centered, a statewide coalition of communities of color, David led the development the HEAL Act, a foundational piece of environmental justice legislation in Washington, and served as a Co-Chair on the state Environmental Justice Task Force.



From 2014-17, David also served as a Senior Policy Advisor in the Seattle Mayor's Office of Policy and Innovation. His policy portfolio included the development of 12 city ordinances including; cannabis regulations, labor standards, implementation of the Seattle Race and Social Justice Initiative and policies related to Uber/Lyft and AirBnB, among others. Prior to this position he worked as a Policy Counsel for the Washington state legislature and at economic justice focused non-profits Puget Sound Sage in Washington and LAANE in California.

He is a graduate of Pitzer College and the Seattle University School of Law, a licensed attorney in California, and lives with his family in Seattle.

Commissioner Hilary Franz - WA State Commissioner of Public Lands

Elected in 2016, Commissioner of Public Lands Hilary Franz protects and manages nearly six million acres of public lands in Washington State – from coastal waters and aquatic reserves, to working forests and farms, to commercial developments and recreation areas. Commissioner Franz is committed to ensuring our public lands are healthy and productive, both today and for future generations. She is leading the push to make Washington's lands resilient in the face of climate change, investing in carbon sequestration and clean energy with wind, solar, and geothermal infrastructure.



As the leader of our state's largest wildfire fighting force, she has pushed for new strategies, innovations, and resources to protect our communities. She knows that our working lands – and the communities that depend on them for family-wage jobs – are integral to our success as a state, and she is investing in their success. Hilary is a third-generation farmer and small forest landowner, and holds a bachelor's degree from Smith College and a juris doctor from Northeastern University Law School.

Jacob Dunn - Sustainability, ZGF Architects

Jacob Dunn holds a Master's Degree in Architecture from the University of Idaho and his professional background has pivoted between research, sustainability consulting, education, and architecture. After starting out his career with 4 years in research and consulting at the Integrated Design Lab in Boise Idaho and Arup's Foresight and Innovation in London, Jacob returned to the architectural profession where he has continued his role as a sustainability coordinator for the past 7 years. Now at ZGF architects, Jacob has been focusing on reducing the embodied carbon in building materials with a focus on procuring climate-smart wood for mass timber projects with disclosure and transparency in the supply chain. He's currently



leading research projects with the University of Washington around developing new wood carbon calculators that address LCA data gaps around biogenic carbon in the forest and supply chain.

Jamie Robertson - Conservation Geographer, The Nature Conservancy - Washington

James (Jamie) Robertson is a Conservation Geographer with The Nature Conservancy in Washington and holds a Master's degree in Geography from Appalachian State University in his home-state of North Carolina. His experience with spatial analysis and mapping ranges across scales and topics, from global freshwater and marine habitat assessments to state climate mitigation to site-level optimization for wetland restoration. Early on, Jamie was a spatial analyst for the Smithsonian's National Zoo Conservation & Research Center. In 2005, he joined The Nature Conservancy's central science team, co-authoring The Atlas of Global Conservation, and then turned his career toward applied state and local level conservation planning in Colorado and now Washington. In recent years, Jamie has focused on mapping nature-based climate solutions and their multiple benefits to people and nature in Washington.



Joel Moffett - Natural Resources Policy Coordinator, Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians

Joel is the Natural Resources Policy Coordinator with the Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians (ATNI), where he advises Tribal leaders and staff on environmental policy development for the protection and management of natural resources and land. He has 15 years of experience developing natural resource protection and management policies with Tribes in the Pacific Northwest and throughout the United States. Joel's role involves working collaboratively with Tribal leadership and staff to conduct government-to-government discussions for 50+ Tribal governments, and planning and facilitating regional summits for Tribal leaders, natural resource stakeholders, and policy makers on key natural resource issues facing Tribes.



Joel is a citizen of the Nez Perce Tribe, and served on the Tribe's executive committee as Vice Chairman and Treasurer. From his extensive experience in Tribal government as an elected official and in Tribal relations as staff at inter-tribal organizations, Joel has gained deep knowledge of tribal sovereignty and treaty rights.

Julia Grant - Director of Policy, Partnerships & Sustainability, Green Diamond

Julia has led and participated in innovative environmental, business and community impact initiatives for the past 20 years across the West. She is motivated by accelerating collaborative efforts amongst unlikely partners that produce new and lasting results.

In her current role as the Director of Policy, Partnerships and Sustainability, she leads the public affairs team at Green Diamond. The team focuses on influencing state and federal policy impacting forest management in the Pacific Northwest and Southeast US, stewarding

relationships with key community stakeholders, managing SFI and FSC programs and building out an ESG strategy. Prior to accepting this position, she held leadership roles with Hancock Natural Resource Group, Micron Technology and the City of Boise. On the side, she co-founded the Idaho Coalition of Land Trusts, Boise River Wildlife Linkage Project and Boise Nice Project.

Julia holds a B.A. in Political Science from the University of Missouri, a dual Master's in forestry and environmental management from Duke University and a badge from Boise State University's Venture College (entrepreneurial program). Though a Midwesterner at heart, she, her husband and their four "free range" children have called Idaho home for 20 years.

Kathryn Morse - Landowner Success Manager, Natural Capital Exchange (NCX)

Kathryn Morse is a Landowner Success Manager for the Natural Capital Exchange (NCX), a carbon marketplace that connects net-zero pioneer companies with forest landowners. The NCX program pays forest landowners to defer harvesting activity for one year, increasing the average age of their forests and thereby their standing carbon storage capacity. Companies then purchase these carbon credits to offset their emissions. Kathryn has built strong working relationships with national and state landowner associations, and other key stakeholders in the forestry community. She works to educate forest landowners on the NCX program through events, presentations, and direct outreach, while managing relationships with the thousands of landowners who have already enrolled in an NCX cycle. She earned her BA in Ecology and Evolutionary Biology from the University of Colorado and currently lives in Brooklyn, New York.



Luke joined the Washington State Department of Ecology as the new Climate Commitment Act (CCA) Implementation Manager in July, 2021. As the CCA Implementation Manager, he is responsible for leading the design and implementation of the State's Greenhouse Gas emissions cap and invest program.

He previously served as Director and Chief Counsel in the Vermont Office of Legislative Counsel. In this role, he served as the lead attorney on legislation concerning renewable energy and climate change while also managing the Legislature's legal staff, operations and administrative support staff, and IT unit.

His earlier career experience includes serving as an Assistant Counsel to the Governor of New York and working at the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services. Before that he served as a Section Chief in the Criminal Prosecutions Bureau of the New York State Attorney General, as well as working at the New County District Attorney's Office.

Luke is very excited to help implement the groundbreaking climate legislation passed by Washington during the 2021 session and helping to develop and implement a program that will have a real-world impact in addressing the climate crisis.







Marko Bey - Executive Director, Lomakatsi Restoration Project

Marko is the Founder and Executive Director of the Lomakatsi Restoration Project (lomakatsi.org). Lomakatsi's ten regional ecosystem restoration programs and associated workforce initiatives are a primary result of his work. Marko has over 30 years of experience working in forestry and ecosystem restoration from the ground up, working across six western states. Most essential has been his leadership in the orchestration and formation of collaborative partnerships including federal and state agencies, Native American tribes, organizations, industry, private landowners and community members. Working locally, regionally and nationally to advance the full spectrum of ecosystem restoration, green job creation and forest-based community revitalization, Marko participates in a variety of strategic coalitions, committees and interdisciplinary teams, both regionally and nationally.

Oskar Zambrano - Senior Director of Civic Engagement and Advocacy, Latino Community Fund

Oskar serves as the Senior Director of Civic Engagement and Advocacy at the Latino Community Fund. Oskar has his roots as a community organizer since 1994 fighting California's Proposition 187. Ever since he's been advocating in the community to ensure that disenfranchised communities are civically engaged and their voices get heard.

Paul Jewell - Policy Director - Water, Land Use, Environment & Solid Waste, Washington State Association of Counties

Paul Jewell is a Policy Director for the Washington State Association of Counties. He works on a variety of policy and budget issues for counties including water, land use, natural resources, environment and solid waste. He previously served ten years as County Commissioner for Kittitas County. Paul has a Bachelor's of Science in Business Administration from Central Washington University.

Paula Swedeen - Policy Director, Conservation Northwest

Paula Swedeen, Ph.D. is Conservation Northwest's Policy Director working out of Olympia. She represents Conservation Northwest on wildlife and wildlands policy issues at the state capitol and beyond, including wolf conservation, forest policy, and more. Paula has worked on habitat conservation issues around the Pacific Northwest for 24 years. She worked for 12 years as a wildlife biologist and endangered species policy analyst with the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife and the Washington Department of Natural Resources, served for years on Washington's Forest Practices Board, and still serves on the Wolf Advisory Board. Her recent work involves creating markets and ecosystem service payments to incentivize better habitat conditions on private lands where the regulatory reach is limited. Paula has a B.S. in Biology from

Indiana University, a Masters of Environmental Studies and Political Science from Western Washington University, and a Ph.D. in Interdisciplinary Studies with an emphasis on Ecological Economics from the Union Institute.









Seth Zuckerman - Executive Director, Northwest Natural Resource Group

Since 2017, Seth has served as Executive Director of the Northwest Natural Resource Group, which helps people understand and practice ecological forestry in Washington and Oregon. Previously, he was a writer and analyst at Seattle-based Climate Solutions, and before that the director of the Wild and Working Lands program at the Mattole Restoration Council in northern California. He holds an A.B. in Energy Studies from Stanford University and an M.S. in Energy and Resources from the University of California at Berkeley.

Stephanie Carlisle - Senior Researcher, Carbon Leadership Forum

Stephanie Carlisle is a Senior Researcher at the Carbon Leadership Forum (CLF) where she leads collaborative development of open-access life-cycle analysis (LCA) data, tools, and methods to support the building sector in radically decarbonizing construction. Her work brings together diverse stakeholders from design, industry, land management, manufacturing, labor, and policy to find new approaches to climate justice. Prior to joining the CLF, she was a Principal at KieranTimberlake where she helped develop Tally, a whole building LCA tool, and worked to implement strategies that address climate and health impacts of building materials. She is a lecturer at the Weitzman Schools of Design at the University of Pennsylvania where



she teaches courses in life cycle assessment, building materials, and urban ecology. She currently serves on the Steering Committee for US Architects Declare a Climate, Justice, and Biodiversity Emergency, a climate action group pushing for radical change in architectural practice and education.

