

Oregon Vegetation Management Association

2025 Conference Agenda

Seaside Convention Center • February 18, 19 & 20, 2025

"Helping to keep Oregon beautiful."

Agenda subject to change

Tuesday, February 18

- 10:00 County Weed Control Association Meeting
Room: Riverside B
- 11:00 Registration Opens
- OVMA appreciates this years coffee sponsor: ENVU

Session 1

Session Moderator: Shannon Wenick - OVMA

- 1:00 - 1:10 Welcome and Board of Director Introductions
Shannon Wenick, OVMA Project Manager
- 1:10 - 2:00 Regulatory update on Endangered Species
Act & Legislative Update
Dani Lightle – OFS
- 2:00 - 2:50 Update on Noxious Weeds and ODA Program
Troy Abercrombie - Oregon Department of Agriculture
- 2:50 - 3:10 Break - Sponsored by Wilbur-Ellis

Session Moderator: J.P. Mischkot - Glass Tree Care & Spray Service

- 3:10 - 4:00 Corteva Vegetation Management
Warren Gawlik - Corteva
- 4:00 - 5:00 Regulatory News and Changes
Andrea Sonnen – Oregon Department of Agriculture
- 5:00 - 5:30 Setting Up R-O-W Operation
Harrison Hapgood – Wilbur Ellis

**Join us for our Appreciation Night
Sponsored in part by Wilbur-Ellis, envu and Corteva**

Wednesday, February 19

AM - Session 2

Session Moderator: Warren Gawlik - Corteva

**7:30 - 8:30 Join us for biscuits and gravy breakfast
Sponsored by – Helena**

- 8:30 - 9:30 ODA Lessons Learned
Andrea Sonnen – Oregon Department of Agriculture
- 9:30 -10:30 Emerald Ash Borer: Managing a New Threat
to Oregon's Ash Trees
Kat Bethea & Matt Mills - ODF
- 10:30 -10:50 Break - Sponsored by Corteva
- 10:50-11:50 Helicopters and Vegetation Management
Jamie Williamson – Heli-Dunn
- 11:50-1:30 Lunch on your own
Enjoy one of Seasides many dining locations

Wednesday, February 19

PM - Session 3

Session Moderator: Harrison Hapgood - Wilbur Ellis

- 1:30 - 2:30 Panel Discussion - Vegetation Management Panel Discussion
ODOT, ODA, Grant SWCD, envu, Corteva, Ag Enterprise
- 2:30 - 3:30 Managing Vegetation to Control Weeds and Help Pollinators
Dr. Emily A Carlson – Pollinator Partnership
- 3:30 - 3:50 Break - Sponsored by Wilbur-Ellis
- 3:50 - 4:30 Designing Sprayers to meet your market requirements,
with reliable coverage and reporting.
Tracey Kelly - Norstar
- 4:30 - 5:00 Improving Pesticide Spraying Efficacy
Don Franz - Wilbur Ellis
- 5:00 - 5:30 Noxious Weeds of Oregon: Plant ID Quiz
Troy Abercrombie - Oregon Department of Agriculture

5:30 Adjourn

Thursday, February 20

Final Session 4

Session Moderator: Jerry Ellis - envu

- 8:00 - 8:30 2024 Fires In Review
Tyler Bales - Grant SWCD
- 8:30 - 9:30 Personal Protective Equipment; an Oregon OSHA Perspective
Randy Westmoreland - DCBS - Oregon OSHA
- 9:30 -10:15 envu Herbicides and the Weeds They Work On
Jerry Ellis, envu
- 10:15-10:40 Break - Sponsored by Corteva
- 10:40-11:30 Calibration and Operation of Spray
Trucks for Vegetation Management
Ryan Kuster - Ag Enterprise
- 11:30-12:30 Escaped ornamentals and noxious weeds
Susan Bird - Yakima County Noxious Weed Board
- 12:30 Closing Comments – Adjourn
Shannon Wenick, OVMA Program Director