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On behalf of the Cascadia Conservation District Board of Supervisors, I would like to invite you to participate in a field tour featuring District projects in Chelan County on Wednesday, July 19, 2023 from 12:30 to 5:00PM. This tour is being held prior to the Conservation Commission meeting, which will be held on Thursday, July 20, 2023 in Wenatchee.

Our current plan is to visit the following projects selected to highlight the resource concerns, programs and projects of Cascadia CD. The tour will begin at the Hilton Garden Inn in Wenatchee and travel to the following sites:

**Warman Orchard – Brender Creek (Wenatchee Tributary).** Bonneville Environmental Foundation and WSCC Natural Resource Investments funding was utilized to replace aging irrigation infrastructure, install a soil moisture monitoring system, weather station and irrigation automation equipment.

**Logan Bosket – Eagle Creek.** This forestry parcel was recently thinned utilizing WA DNR cost share and hosted a recent “Learn and Burn” workshop hosted by one of the first Prescribed Burn Associations in the state. Cascadia CD is working with landowners to reintroduce good fire onto the landscape to manage vegetation, promote soil health, plant health, wildfire resilience and forest health.

**Stargazer Lane – Little Chumstick Creek.** This area is a focus area where a partnership between Cascadia CD, Cascade Fisheries and Trout Unlimited are working with landowners to implement low-tech process-based restoration projects: beaver dam analogs, post assisted log structures and riparian buffers.

**Wenatchee River Institute – Icicle Creek.** A tour of the Wenatchee River Institute’s campus where Cascadia CD worked with WRI to develop demonstration home hardening and thinning examples. Cascadia CD also works with WRI on youth education programs throughout the county focused on providing outdoor experiences to connect youth with natural resources.

After the tour of the Wenatchee River Institute we will hold a no-host interactive dinner with the Conservation Commission at the Wenatchee River Institute in Leavenworth.

We hope that you or a member of your organization will be able to participate in this tour. To help us plan transportation and dinner logistics we would appreciate your RSVP by July 5, 2023. Please use the following link: <https://www.formstack.com/forms/?5326498-5w8z5tM1mS> provided by the Conservation Commission to reserve your spot for one or both events, or you may contact our office by phone at 509-436-1601 or by email at [ryanw@cascadiacd.org](mailto:ryanw@cascadiacd.org).

Sincerely,

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