

WASHINGTON NATIVE PLANT SOCIETY - NORTHEAST CHAPTER
STUDY WEEKEND
MAY 19-21, 2017

LOCATION: This year's WNPS Study Weekend will focus on the role of geologic and human history in shaping the flora of eastern Washington. We will be using the Eastern Washington University Campus in Cheney as our home base from which to explore lowland ponderosa pine woodlands, flood-scoured channeled scablands, mima mounds, and remnants of the Palouse prairie. Cheney is a small college-centered community with lodging options available in town, at nearby lake resorts, and 30 minutes away in Spokane. There are a few small restaurants in Cheney, and a full range of dining options in Spokane.

Getting There: To get to the EWU Campus from Interstate 90, take the Four Lakes exit (#270). Follow Rt 904 (Michael P Anderson Hwy) 6 ½ miles to the first traffic light in Cheney. Turn right onto Betz Rd and follow Betz for 1 mile. As the road makes a sharp turn to the left it becomes N Washington Street. Follow N Washington another mile, and turn left onto Elm. Parking for WNPS activities will be in lot P15 at the intersection of Elm St and C St. A map of the campus can be downloaded from <https://www.ewu.edu/Documents/EPIC/CampusMapNew.pdf> Hargreave Hall is building # 15 on the map, near the corner of C Street and Elm St.

Meeting Locale: We will be using Hargreaves Hall on the EWU campus as our central meeting locale. Registration on Friday, along with a reception with light refreshments from 6:00 – 7:00 will take place in Hargreaves, followed by a formal welcome and a talk by Kurt Merg of the WA Dept of Fish and Wildlife on Habitat Restoration Efforts to Promote Wildlife. Unless otherwise indicated, field trips will depart from parking lot P15 Saturday and Sunday morning. We will again use Hargreaves Saturday evening for a light reception followed by a banquet and keynote talk by Jack Nesbit and Gene Kiver on the Geologic and Human History of the Channeled Scablands.

Parking: Parking in metered areas along the street, and in lot P15 is free after 5:00 PM Friday and all weekend. Before 5:00 PM metered parking is \$.75 per hour. We are hoping to negotiate free parking all afternoon Friday for WNPS participants, but will have to wait until the beginning of spring quarter to finalize agreements.