



WAAESD

Western Association of Agricultural Experiment Station Directors



2023 JOINT SPRING MEETING

March 25-27, 2024



Oregon State University
Extension Service



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Agricultural Experiment
Station

WAAESD- Western Association of Agricultural Experiment Station Directors

WEDA- Western Extension Directors Association

WPOLC- Western Program & Organizational Leadership Committee

WREN- Western Region Evaluation Network

AGENDA

Monday, March 25, 2024

2:00-4:00 p.m.

WEDA Meeting, Pioneer Event Room 2002

2:00-4:45 p.m.

Meetings at the Portland Center

WAAESD Executive Committee Meeting, Classroom 2029

WPOLC Meeting, Classroom 2035

WREN Meeting, Morrison Boardroom

4:45-5:00 p.m.

Break

5:00-6:00 p.m.

Wine and Cheese Reception, Pioneer Event Room 2002 + Foyer

6:00-8:00 p.m.

Dinner/Exploration on Your Own (with recommendations)

Tuesday, March 26, 2024

7:30-8:00 a.m.

Breakfast Available at the OSU Portland Center

8:00 a.m.- 12:00 p.m.

Meetings at the OSU Portland Center

Joint Meeting, Pioneer Event Room 2002 + Foyer

8:00-8:30 a.m. - APLU-BAA Initiatives, Doug Steele, APLU Vice President of Food, Agriculture and Natural Resources (invited)

8:30- 9:00 a.m. - Storming the Hill, Elizabeth Stulberg, Lewis-Burke Associates LLC

9:00-10:00 a.m. - Western Rural Development Center, Paul Lewin, Executive Director

10:00-10:30 a.m. - Break

10:30-10:45 a.m. - Western SARE, Clayton Marlow, Regional Coordinator

10:45-11:00 a.m. - Western IPM Center, Matt Baur, Director

11:00-11:15 a.m. - Western Risk Management Education Center, Shannon Neibergs, Director (invited)

11:15-11:30 a.m. - Western Center for Metropolitan Extension and Research, Brad Gaolach, Director

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Tuesday, March 26, 2024

8:00a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Meetings at the OSU Portland Center, Continued

Joint Meeting, Continued

11:30-12:00 p.m. - Western Region Strategic Communications, Jennifer Alexander, Communications Director, Division of Extension and Engagement, Oregon State University

WREN Breakout, Morrison Boardroom

12:00-12:45 p.m.

Lunch

12:45-1:15 p.m.

Break

1:15-2:00 p.m.

Shuttle to North Willamette Research Extension Center

2:00-3:20 p.m.

NWREC Tour and Program Showcases, including Agrivoltaics

3:20-4:00 p.m.

Load up Shuttle + Shuttle to Rex Hill Winery

4:00-5:00 p.m.

Continued Joint Programming at Rex Hill Winery

5:00-7:00 p.m.

Reception, Wine, and Dinner

Program Showcases, including James Osborne, Oregon Wine Research Institute, and Tom Danowski, Oregon Wine Board

7:00-7:45 p.m.

Shuttle back to Hotel

Wednesday, March 27, 2024

7:30-8:00 a.m.

Breakfast Available at the Portland Center

8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Business Meetings at the OSU Portland Center

WAAESD Business Meeting, Classroom 2029

WEDA Business Meeting, Pioneer Event Room 2002

WPOLC Business Meeting, Classroom 2035

WREN Business Meeting, Morrison Boardroom

12:00 p.m.

Adjourn; Boxed Lunches Available

12:00-5:00 p.m.

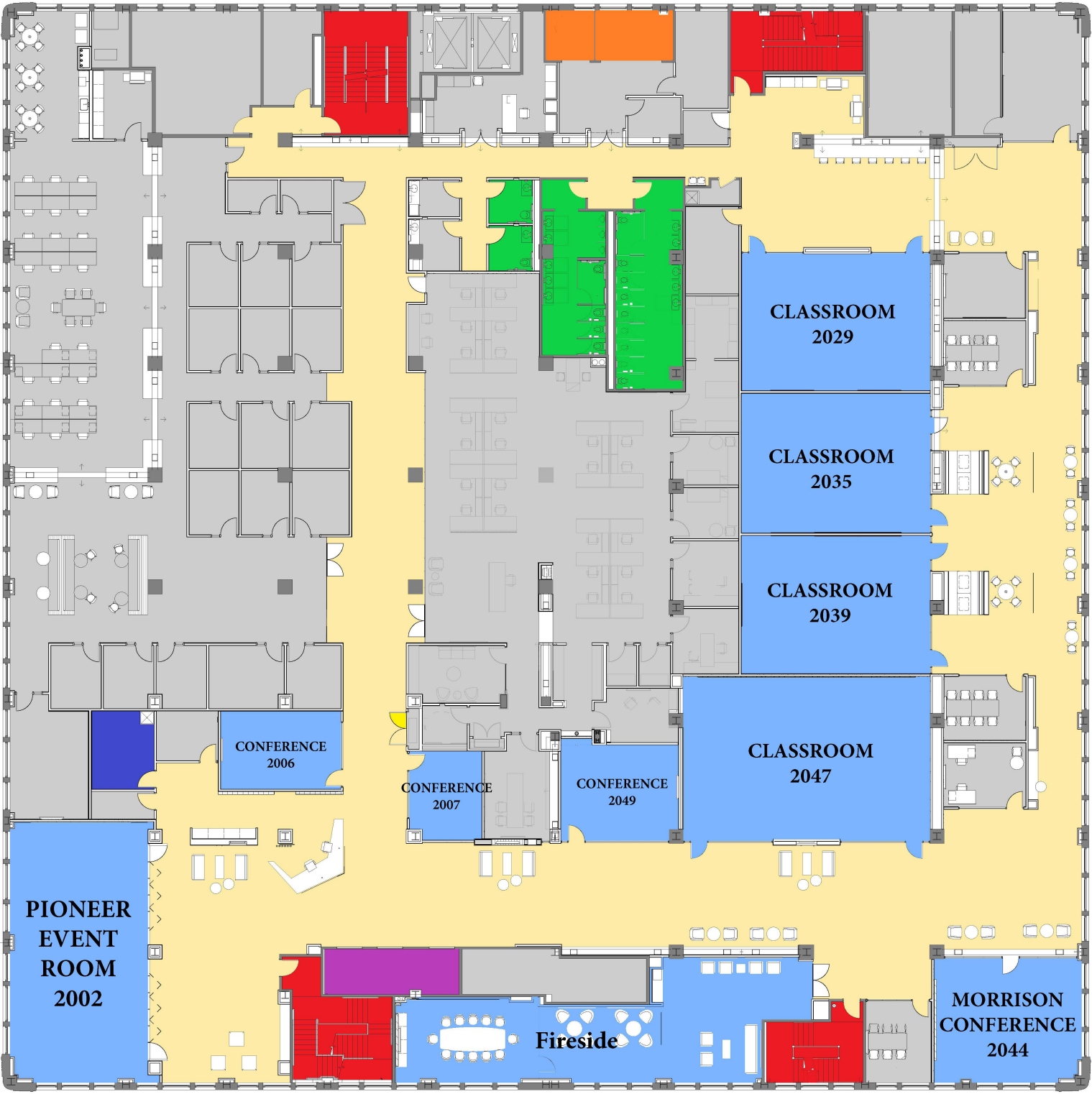
Post-conference Sessions



WEDA, Pioneer Event Room 2002

WPOLC, Classroom 2035

WREN, Morrison Boardroom

Venue Map



-  **Emergency Exits**
-  **Main Elevators**

Portland Recommendations

The best downtown (and walkable!) restaurants for dinner on Monday:

Departure Restaurant and Lounge, 4.4 stars

Upscale, Asian-fusion go-to serves creative fare & global cocktails in a chic space with city views.
525 SW Morrison St 15th Floor 15th Floor, 1-minute walk

DarSalam Restaurant, 4.6 stars

Traditional Iraqi dishes served in a lively space with colorful tilework & a full bar.
320 SW Alder St, 3-minute walk

Huber's Café, 4.6 stars

American eatery with clubby bar, founded in 1879, is known for roast turkey & Spanish coffee.
411 SW 3rd Ave, 6-minute walk

Portland City Grill, 4.5 stars

New American dishes with an Asian touch, plus a happy hour, served with a 30th-floor skyline view.
111 SW 5th Ave 30th Floor, 6-minute walk

El Gaucho, 4.6 stars

Elegant steakhouse offering a menu of high-end classics like Angus beef & seafood.
319 SW Broadway, 6-minute walk

Q Restaurant and Bar, 4.4 stars

828 SW 2nd Ave
Modern & romantic space featuring imaginative, locally sourced Pacific Northwest cuisine.
112 SW 2nd Ave, 6-minute walk

Mama Mia Trattoria, 4.3 stars

An 1886 building houses an elegant restaurant with a lounge, happy hour & menu of Italian standards.
439 SW 2nd Ave, 6-minute walk

Taylor Street Tavern, 4.3 stars

New American restaurant.
808 SW Taylor St, 6-minute walk

La Jarocha, 4.7 stars

Mexican restaurant.
210 SW 4th Ave #1803, 7-minute walk

Al-Amir Restaurant, 4.6 stars

Warmly decorated local mainstay offering Lebanese classics in historic brick Bishop's House.
223 SW Harvey Milk St, 7-minute walk

Thai Peacock, 4.5 stars

Straightforward curries & other Thai staples turned out in a cozy, laid-back dining room.
219 SW 9th Ave, 9-minute walk

Higgins, 4.5 stars

Longtime classy spot for local & sustainable NW fare, with a lively bar, many beers & Oregon wines.
1239 SW Broadway, 10-minute walk

Kells Irish Restaurant and Pub, 4.4 stars

Long-standing outfit serving beer, stout & numerous whiskeys, plus pub grub & regular live music.
112 SW 2nd Ave, 10-minute walk

Angelina's Greek Gyros, 4.7 stars

Greek restaurant.
221 SW Ankeny St, 10-minute walk

Jake's Famous Crawfish, 4.5 stars

Landmark spot for seafood with fish flown in daily, served in clubby digs with a busy happy hour.
401 SW 12th Ave, 11-minute walk

Lechon, 4.7 stars

Vibrant, rustic-chic haunt offering creative South American meals, happy hours & a tapas menu.
113 SW Naito Pkwy, 12-minute walk

Feel like getting a ride and traveling a bit further? Here are the top hotspots and food carts recommended in Portland.

Have some extra time on either side of your trip? Consider checking out one of these Portland staples while in town:

- OMSI (Oregon Museum of Science and Industry)
- Oregon Zoo
- Lan Su Chinese Garden
- Portland Japanese Garden
- International Rose Test Garden
- Voodoo Doughnut
- Crystal Springs Rhododendron Garden
- Portland Art Museum
- Powell's City of Books
- Forest Park: Forest Park provides critical refuge for hundreds of native wildlife and plant species and acts as an important air and water filter; it also has more than 80 miles of trails.
- Tryon Creek State Natural Area: A lush forest with woodpeckers, squirrels, owls, wildflowers and more; considered the oasis of the city.
- Molalla River State Park: Combines a scenic drive, hiking, picnicking, boating, wildlife viewing, and a ferry ride.