

# Teanaway Community Forest

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Community Kick-off Meeting  
January 15, 2014



**TEANAWAY COMMUNITY FOREST**



# Tonight's Agenda

- **Community Forest overview:**
  - DNR and WDFW key facts
  - Legislative vision and direction
  - Community Forest partnership
  - Involvement by interested residents and groups
  - Advisory committee opportunities
- **Share views with agency staff on:**
  - Teanaway Community Forest management
  - Yakima Basin Integrated Plan
  - Advisory committee
  - General comments and questions



## Statewide, DNR manages more than 5.6 million acres of state lands

- ▶ 2.9 million acres of trust lands, including forest, range, agricultural land, and commercial properties
- ▶ 2.6 million acres of state-owned aquatic lands
- ▶ 155,000 acres of natural areas
- ▶ \$244 million in FY 2012 for school construction and county services
- ▶ Recreation Access

# WDFW's hunting, fishing and wildlife watching 'customers' contribute \$4.5 billion a year to Washington's economy

The Department of Fish and Wildlife:

- Manages fishing and hunting to maximize sustainable recreational and commercial opportunities
- Oversees nearly 1 million acres of public wildlife lands
- Operates 83 fish hatcheries and manages 700 water access sites
- Enforces laws to protect fish and wildlife and public safety



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# Shared Land Management Values

DNR and WDFW have unique missions and legal responsibilities but share key values as land managers:

- Promoting multiple uses
- Protecting environmental values
- Maximizing economic benefits
- Ensuring community engagement
- Encouraging public access and recreation

# Community Forest Trust

**Protect working forests with a high risk of conversion to non-forest uses, but that have important value to local communities**

- Conversion of these forests represent a loss of important social and environmental services, and an erosion of timber and natural resource-based economies
- DNR provides a tool to partner with local communities to help protect working forestlands



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# Teanaway Community Forest: A Collaborative Partnership



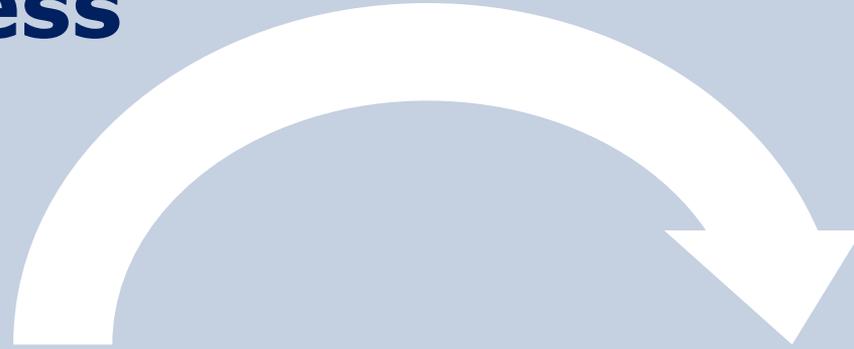
## Teanaway Community Forest

- DNR owns the land
- WDFW has a Conservation and Working Lands Easement



**DNR and WDFW are committed to a joint decision-making process**

# Formula for Success



**The Teanaway  
Community Forest**

**Yakima Basin  
Integrated Plan**



# Legislative Vision

## The Yakima Policy 'Water, Jobs, and Fish' Bill (2SSB 5367)

- Protect and enhance the **water supply** and protect the watershed
- **Maintain working lands** for forestry and domestic livestock grazing while protecting key watershed functions and aquatic habitat
- Maintain and expand **recreational opportunities** consistent with watershed protection
- Conserve and **restore vital habitat** for fish and wildlife
- Support **a strong community partnership**, consulting on land management with the Yakama Nation, residents, business owners, local governments, conservation groups and others

These values will be focal points throughout the development of the Teanaway Community Forest management plan



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# Yakima Basin Coalition: Members and Supporters

**Governments:** Benton County, Kittitas County, Yakama Nation, City of Yakima, Yakima County

**Federal Agencies:** Bonneville Power Administration, Bureau of Reclamation, Fish & Wildlife Service, Forest Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

**State Agencies:** Department of Agriculture, Department of Ecology, Department of Fish and Wildlife, Department of Natural Resources

**Irrigation Districts:** Kennewick, Roza, Sunnyside Valley, and Yakima-Tieton irrigation districts

**Non-governmental organizations:** American Rivers, Back Country Horsemen of Washington, Conservation Northwest, Forterra, Mountains to Sound Greenway Trust, National Wildlife Federation, The Nature Conservancy, Trout Unlimited, The Trust for Public Land, Washington Environmental Council, The Wilderness Society, Yakima Basin Fish & Wildlife Recovery Board, Yakima Basin Storage Alliance

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# Community Engagement

When it authorized the Teanaway Community Forest purchase, the Legislature directed DNR to consult with a wide range of people and groups in developing the management plan, including:

- Kittitas County residents
- Hikers and wildlife watchers
- Ranchers who graze cattle in the area
- Off-road vehicle and snowmobile users
- Friends of the Teanaway
- Back Country Horsemen
- A representative from Kittitas Field and Stream



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# Teanaway Forest Advisory Committee

Lawmakers also directed DNR and WDFW to establish an advisory committee that includes members from:

- Local community
- Local agriculture interests
- Land conservation organizations
- Yakama nation
- Kittitas County Board of Commissioners
- State Department of Ecology



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# Purpose of Community Outreach

Ensure land management strategies reflect public priorities

- Development of management options, priorities, and recommendations
- Identification of priority watershed and habitat restoration projects
- Communicating partnership and volunteer opportunities
- Identifying the community's high-priority recreational activities



# Advisory Committee Timetable

Application Deadline	February 14, 2014
First Meeting	March
Commitment	16 months for plan development
Meetings	TBD – Members should expect a significant time commitment



**Remember to pick up your application today or download it from [dnr.wa.gov](http://dnr.wa.gov)**

# Advisory Committee and Subcommittees



# Advisory Committee Application

<http://svy.mk/1ezcowe>

The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/L3W>. The page header includes "TEANAWAY COMMUNITY FOREST" and logos for the Washington Department of Ecology and the Washington State Department of Natural Resources. The main heading is "Teanaway Community Forest Advisory Committee Candidate Application". Under "Basic Information", there are five numbered fields:

- \*1. Name
- \*2. Address
- \*3. City
- \*4. Telephone
- 5. Email

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### Advisory Committee Candidate Application

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Telephone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_  
 E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_  Check if you would like to receive the Teanaway Community Forest e-newsletter

Please Return Application By February 14, 2014

How to submit: Complete the application and send by mail to the address below or by email to: [teanaway@dnr.wa.gov](mailto:teanaway@dnr.wa.gov). You may attach additional pages for your responses. For questions, call Rick Roeder, (509) 925-0943. You can also fill out your application online at <http://svy.mk/1ezcowe>.

Washington State Department of Natural Resources  
 Attn: Rick Roeder  
 713 Bowers Road  
 Ellensburg, WA 98926-9301

1. Why do you want to be a member of the Teanaway Community Forest Advisory Committee?

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2. What do you think are the major issues or decisions that need to be made or considered regarding the Teanaway Community Forest?

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3. What skills would you bring to the Advisory Committee (e.g., knowledge of landscape, natural resource management, outdoor recreation, working lands, outreach, communications)?

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# Online Information

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- [Strategic Plan 2010-2014: The Goldmark Agenda](#)
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NEWS

12/06/2013 - [Community input sought at Tunerville public meeting](#)

12/06/2013 - [Trust land acquisition will create more school construction revenue](#)

12/05/2013 - [Work begins to lift the Helena Star from Hylebos Waterway](#)

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MEETINGS & EVENTS

Wednesday Dec 11, 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM  
[Public Hearing: Mount SI NRCA proposed boundary expansion](#)

Thursday Dec 12, 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM  
[Invitation to Bid on Silviculture Contract #1474](#)

Thursday Dec 12, 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM  
[Tunerville Public Meeting - December 12](#)

THERE IS NO CUTTING OF CHRISTMAS TREES IN STATE TRUST FORESTS... BUT THERE ARE PLACES YOU CAN GO.  
Trees on state trust lands have a specific purpose: grow to

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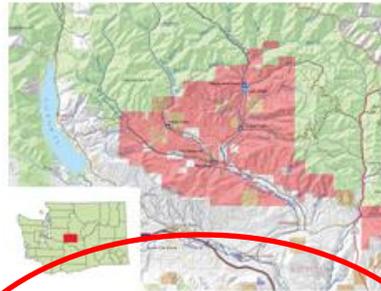
On October 1, 2013, the Washington State Department of Natural Resources purchased Washington's first state-managed [Community Forest](#). The Teanaway Community Forest is a 50,272-acre property situated at the headwaters of the Yakima Basin watershed ([more](#)).

DNR is collaboratively managing the Teanaway Community Forest with Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) with significant public input from a community-based advisory committee.

For more information, please review the [Teanaway Community Forest Q&A](#).

View large map of [Teanaway Community Forest](#)

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### FILES

- [Factsheet: Teanaway Community Forest Q & A](#) (345KB PDF)
- [Teanaway Community Forest Map](#) (860KB PDF)

### RELATED LINKS

#### Related Links

- [Community Forest Trust - overview](#)
- [Yakima Basin Integrated Plan](#)
- [Sign up for Teanaway Updates](#)
- [News Release: Teanaway Land Purchase Clears the Way for Washington's First State-managed Community Forest](#)

#### Blogs

- [Eight Ways the Teanaway Land Purchase Affects You](#)
- [Teanaway Community Forest? Your questions answered](#)
- [Teanaway Community Forest introduces new way of managing public forestlands](#)

# How to Participate ?



- Community meetings
- Web page
- E-mail updates
- Online survey
- Advisory committee
- Contact us:  
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# Next:

## Listening Stations

- Teanaway Community Forest management
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