

HIGHLIGHT

Walking the Puyallup Center to see leading-edge research



This year's WSU Westside Agricultural and Natural Resources Days was a two-day forum held at the Puyallup Center. Attendees also enjoyed guided tours of the Center conducted by Mickey Bean, Norm Dart, Mary Kempfert, Vernene Scheurer, and Carla Ferguson. They saw work underway in the **greenhouses**, explained by Rita Hummel (above, first row, left) ; the first of many **raingardens** done by Curtis Hinman (above, first row, middle); the new **WSU Wetlands Educational Site** discussed by Jon Johnson (above, first row, right); the **organic research plots** of Craig Cogger and Andy Bary (above, middle row, left) ; John Stark's work on the effects of adjuvants in water on **salmon** (above, middle row, middle); the **Integrated Pest Management** Training Facility with classes taught by Carrie Foss (above, middle row, right); and Gary Chastagner's research underway to find and eradicate a pathogen causing **Sudden Oak Death**.

The event was the result of a diligent planning committee, led by Kirstin Workman, comprised of willing volunteers from WSU offices around the Puget Sound. Members included Colleen Burrows, Darcy Batura, Jim Kropf, Melissa Campbell, Pat Pearson, Gwen Stahnke, Blair Wolfley, and Tanyalee Erwin. Mark your calendar for the next conference in 2010, featuring research and extension collaborations and presentations on community and regional WSU programs.

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