



# National Forest Recreation Association

71st Annual Recreation Seminar & Conference

February 23 – 26, 2021

Online

Updated Agenda – 2/23/21

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## Wednesday : February 24

- 9:00 – 9:10**      **Session Welcome**  
[Jennifer Roeser](#)  
Vice President ~ National Forest Recreation Association
- 9:10 – 10:00**      **New NEPA Regulations – How they can help Permittees and the Forest Service**  
[Kevin Garden](#)  
NFRA Washington Representative ~ Washington DC
- Review of the new Forest Service NEPA regulations; what the changes mean for permittees, including how they may reduce costs and delays related to projects requiring NEPA analysis.
- 10:00 – 10:15**      **Vendor Presentation: L.W. Bristol Classics**  
[Barry Dutton](#)  
Bristol, Tennessee
- 10:15 – 10:30**      **Break**
- 10:30 – 11:15**      **Ranger of the Year Award**  
**Honoree:**  
[Michael Morse](#)  
Wilderness & Trails Supervisor ~ Mammoth Ranger District, Inyo National Forest  
Co-Lead, Packstock Center of Excellence ~ Region 5
- Presenters:**  
[Jennifer Roeser](#)  
Vice President ~ National Forest Recreation Association
- [Randy Moore](#)  
Regional Forester ~ Pacific Southwest Region
- [Lesley Yen](#)  
Forest Supervisor ~ Inyo National Forest
- 11:15 – 12:30**      **News from the Washington Office – Forest Service**  
[Tracy Tophooven](#)  
Assistant Director Recreation, Heritage & Volunteers
- Overview from the Chief's Office; perspectives on Recreation and partnerships.
- Recreation Special Uses Updates**  
[Georgia Basso and Ben Johnson](#)  
Recreation Special Uses Program Managers
- New Directives; NEPA directives; Wildfire Insurance reprieve; Coming changes.
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**Thursday : February 25**

- 8:50 – 9:00**            **Session Welcome**  
[Steve Werner](#)  
**Director ~ National Forest Recreation Association**
- 9:00 – 10:00**            **Labor Law**  
[Brett Sutton and Jared Hague](#)  
**Attorneys ~ Sutton Hague Law Corporation**
- Employment law update – what you need to know
- 10:00 – 10:50**            **Valuing Your Business**  
[Pat Tabor](#)  
**Swan Group of Companies ~ Northwest Montana (retired)**
- What is your business worth? How do you determine its value?
- 10:50 – 11:00**            **Break**
- 11:00 – 12:00**            **National Recreation Reservation Service – Updates and New Features**  
[Rick DeLappe](#)  
**National Recreation One Stop Program Manager**  
**~National Park Service; Denver, Colorado**
- [Will Healy](#)  
**Vice President ~ Booz / Allen / Hamilton**
- [Griffin Schireman](#)  
**National Recreation One Stop USFS Program Manager**  
**~ Forest Service; Lakewood, Colorado**
- [Susan Valente](#)  
**National Recreation One Stop USFS Program Manager**  
**~ Forest Service; Granby, Colorado**
- What's new with the NRRS for 2021? Lessons learned from 2020. Upcoming changes.



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**Friday : February 26**

**8:50 – 9:00**

**Session Welcome**

**Larry Knapp**

**Vice President ~ National Forest Recreation Association**

**Marily Reese**

**Executive Director ~ National Forest Recreation Association**

**9:00 – 9:45**

**Special Uses Training on the Granger-Thye Fee System (GT)**

**Michelle Salaz**

**Team Lead, Resource Audit Branch ~ Albuquerque Service Center**

**Alma Finnell and Gabriel Urioste**

**Auditors, Resource Audit & Assurance**

How does the GT Fee Offset work; Multi-year agreements; Proper Accounting; Carry-over

**9:45 – 10:30**

**Special Uses Training on the Graduated Rate Fee System (GRFS)**

**Michelle Salaz**

**Team Lead, Resource Audit Branch ~ Albuquerque Service Center**

**Alma Finnell and Gabriel Urioste**

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What is GRFS? What is GFA? What qualifies? Categories of sales; break even points; common errors; how to survive an audit.

**10:30 – 11:15**

**Outdoor Recreation Roundtable**

**Lindsey Davis**

**Vice President, Outdoor Recreation Roundtable ~ Washington DC**

Who is ORR?

Victories from last year

GAOA & LWCF Opportunities

How can we influence the decisions on projects?

How long is the authorization – then what?

**11:15 – 12:15**

**‘Contracting 101’ – How Businesses can become contractors with the Forest Service**

**Jason Brandt**

**Branch Chief**

**Procurement & Property Services (PPS)**

**Incident Procurement Operations (IPO)**

**Equipment & Services Branch (ESB)**

What is the VIPR IBPA program? How can a business qualify for contracts (GAOA contracts, fires, trail maintenance, campground services, and others).

What are ‘set-asides’ and other opportunities for minorities?