

2024 Western Snow Conference Short Course

Monday, April 22, 2023 9:00 - 1:00

“Rivers Running: Dam Removal Methods, Developments, and Results in the Pacific Northwest”

Guest Panel:

Liam Schenk, Oregon Water Science Center

Desiree Tullos, Oregon State University

Scott Wright, Oregon State University and River Design Group

Kim Sager, Wildlife Program Manager for Elwah Tribe

The largest dam removal project in U.S. history has begun on the Klamath this winter, but its full effects won't be seen for years. The short course will examine how dams are actually removed and what goes into the planning process. Data from the ongoing Klamath dam removals will be presented along with a look at Washington's Elwha River, 10 years after what at that time was the U.S.'s largest dam removal project. What can the Elwha inform us on what to expect on the Klamath?