Grassland Conservation and Restoration on a Multiple Use Landscape

July 22-23, 2020 Maycroft Community Hall

west of Highway 22 at the crossing of the Oldman River

Foothills Fescue native grasslands SW Alberta are declining and becoming increasingly fragmented with new industrial development and recreation pressures in the region. Competent pre-disturbance site assessment and follow through are critical to assessing restoration risk, minimizing disturbance and preparing effective and cost-efficient construction and reclamation plans for all development in native grasslands:

- Reclamation Issues and Beneficial Practices
- Conservation Assessment in Native Grassland
- Project Planning, Ecological Site Restoration Risk Assessment and Recovery Strategies
- Tour of industrial sites to illustrate different construction and reclamation practice.
- Sourcing Suitable Plant Materials for the Region

Target Audience Industry environmental and construction consultants, planners, operations personnel and reclamation practitioners working in the grasslands, foothills and montane regions of SW Alberta.

Workshop Objectives

- Gain a basic understanding of the ecosystem classification concepts for the Grassland and Parkland Range Plant Community Guides.
- Learn to navigate through the guides to link site conditions, soils and determine plant communities – with hands on practice.
- Overview of disturbance risk assessments and strategic siting for grassland plant communities.
- Work through development of appropriate mitigation and restoration strategies, linked to types of disturbance and plant community, for plant community discussed.
- Designing and sourcing native seed mixes and other plant materials.

Registration: $550 per person. Includes course fees and materials. There is a $50 administration fee for registration cancellations up to 48 hours in advance of an event. Sorry, no cancellations after that. Online-registration at www.grasslandsrestoration forum.ca/ or contact corpirate@shaw.ca; (403) 563-8925.

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