

Friends of Ecological Reserves Invasive Species Lecture

Wednesday, May 17, 2017

University of Victoria

Room A102 - David Turpin Bldg.

7:30 - 8:00 pm - AGM Business Portion

8:00 - 9:15 pm - Talk by Sue Staniforth

All are welcome!

British Columbia is home to more species of plants and animals than any other province. Bc's ecological reserves are areas selected to preserve special natural ecosystems, plant and animal species, and often serve to protect rare and endangered plants and animals in their natural habitat.

Join us May 17 for an informative talk on invasive species and learn how they compete directly with native species, reduce or alter habitat for native organisms, lead to erosion and water siltation, increase fire hazards and can have significant impacts on human health.



The eastern grey squirrel comes from central and eastern North America, and is known to disturb native animal populations. (bcinvasives.ca)



Sue Staniforth is the Education and Outreach Manager for the Invasive Species Council of BC. Sue brings to her work over 25 years of experience as a biologist, facilitator and curriculum developer. She has developed over a dozen learning resources for BC on topics that range from Garry Oak ecosystems to protected areas to invasive species, and delivered hundreds of professional development workshops both provincially and nationally. Sue also has broad experience working with many stewardship groups, non-profits, communities and First Nations at local, provincial and national levels. She is an avid gardener herself, and enjoys taking care of a heritage apple orchard, dogs, chickens and ducks in her off-work hours.