

# Dams are topic of Winter Fishtrap

■ The gathering is set for Jan. 17-19 in Joseph and features keynote address and discussions

JOSEPH — Join concerned citizens of the West Jan. 17-19 for Winter Fishtrap. The theme of this year's conference is dams.

According to a press release, throughout the 20th century, the idea of building dams on rivers of the West was a sign of hope, progress and American ingenuity. To many, they represent something very different today. Winter Fishtrap, a three-day conference in Joseph, will explore why these dams were built, how they transformed the West and at what cost.

From the big federally funded projects to right here at home at Wallowa Lake, the conference aims to spark a new understanding on a subject that influences all our lives.

Winter Fishtrap opens with a keynote address on Friday night. "Living in a Dammed World" will be presented by historian Bill Lang.

Saturday features a full day of discussions and conversations about how dams have shaped the history of the West and our future with them.

Sunday's closing address is "Tamanwit – Natural Law / Kya'ak ha'ast – Air / Cu'uc – Water / Tiica'm – Land / Nati'tayt – People"

with Charles F. Sams III, communications director of the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation.

Winter Fishtrap is held at the Josephy Center, 403 N. Main St., Joseph.

Register online at [www.fishtrap.org/winter-fishtrap-2020/](http://www.fishtrap.org/winter-fishtrap-2020/) or call 541-426-3623 for more information.

Participants can register for the entire weekend or select individual days to attend.

Wallowa and Union County residents: Discount pricing will be applied when you enter your zip code.

Full weekend registration is \$165, or \$100 for Wallowa and Union county residents.

## EVENTS

Individual events are priced as follows:

- Friday evening with Bill Lang: \$50, \$25 for Wallowa and Union county residents
- Saturday full-day registration: \$75, \$50 for Wallowa and Union county residents
- Sunday morning with Charles F. Sams III: \$50, \$25 for Wallowa and Union county residents



The 2019 Winter Fishtrap, held Jan. 17-19 at the Josephy Center in Joseph, will focus on dams in the West. The conference aims to spark a new understanding on a subject that has transformed the West.

## SATURDAY DINNER

On Jan. 18, an evening celebrating clear thinking and good writing in and about the West is open to all. The Winter Fishtrap Dinner

begins with a happy hour at 5:30 p.m. followed by a catered dinner at 6:30 p.m., all at Hurricane Creek Grange Hall.

Support Fishtrap programs while you dine on delicious food prepared by Paula and Bodhi Austin of Vanilla Stag Bakery. Beer will be provided by Terminal Gravity Brewing. Tickets are \$50, or \$40 for Winter Fishtrap registrants.

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