

2010 WSSAF Forester of the Year

Pete Heide

It gives me great pleasure to present this award today to Pete Heide. It is to recognize career long service to SAF and the profession. Washington State forestry has been very fortunate to have Pete's dedication and efforts over the vast majority of his continuing career to improve the practice and profession. A longtime member of SAF, he has been heavily involved with many forestry issues over the years, sometimes quietly behind the scenes and sometimes visible on the forefront.

HIGHLIGHTS:

BS Forestry Humboldt State University 1968

MS Forestry University of Idaho 1972

Forester, Silviculturalist, nursery manager - Scott Paper Hamilton 1970's thru mid 1980's

Forester to Timberlands Superintendent - Plum Ck. Roslyn 1990ish to mid 1990's

Director of Forest Management to Senior Director of Forest Policy – WFPA

WHAT OTHERS HAVE TO SAY:

After aforestation projects in the LA area, growing trees in the Northwest, even the eastside, had to be almost a piece of cake.

He is a great leader, spokesperson and example. He is a "face of the SAF" that the state chapter can be proud of.

Always thinking & talking about how to promote the forestry profession & maintain its long-term viability.

We didn't realize how much work running a seed orchard & nursery were until after he left.

He is one of the good guys in our industry – highly respected for his professional demeanor and analytical approach to problems

He brings the patience and calmness that we need in his position, in order to maintain a good relationship with both members of WFPA and the other interests and government representatives