

Explore Morrison Creek Headwaters



Leaders: Jim Palmer and Jan Gemmell

Friday: May 13th 1:30 to 4:30pm

Saturday: May 14th 1:30 to 4:30 pm

Meeting Location: Trailhead on Lake Trail Road, by Inland Highway Underpass.

Join local Stream-keepers Jim and Jan on a walk into the headwaters of Morrison Creek, our beaver Venice. This wild, wetland complex is the size of Stanley Park, with a

tangle of tributaries fed by springs at the base of a glacial escarpment. Morrison Creek supports healthy populations of salmon, trout and three species of lamprey including the unique SARA listed Morrison Creek Lamprey. While the lower watershed is mixed rural and urban, beaver have extensively modified the wild Headwaters. The resulting rich habitat is home to birds, unusual plants and amphibians, as well as large and small mammals. Join us on a hike through this rich wetland complex. Most of this land currently has no protection and is privately owned

Car Pool: Car Pool departs at 1:15 from Filberg Centre. **There is extremely limited parking (perhaps 4) at the Trail Head on lake Trail road.** A map to the Trail Head will be available at the Registration Desk. Maximum number of participants is 16.

What to Bring: Bring binoculars, water, and a snack. Wear hiking boots, long pants, and otherwise clothing appropriate for weather conditions. **There are no facilities** (water or toilets) **on this trip.**

What to expect on trip: This is a largely wild area visibly shaped by retreating glaciers, now dominated, and extensively modified by beavers. The area has a rich aquatic habitat, and a variety of wetland types brimming with a riot of botanical beauties, ample amphibians, tributaries teeming with salmonids. A playground for beavers and all that they bring. Unusual treasures abound for the observant eye.

Difficulty of Trip Moderate, primarily overgrown logging road with a couple of short forays off trail. Unfortunately, this trip is not Wheel Chair Accessible.

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