Ice Age Floodfest 2022

When: Saturday, July 23, 2022, 10am – 3pm

Where: Dry Falls Visitor Center, at Sun Lakes-Dry Falls State Park.


ALL agencies and volunteers will share their knowledge and their appreciation of Ice Age Floods Geology, the Channeled Scablands, Shrub Steppe Ecosystems, Anthropology and Archeology.

Location – Dry Falls Visitor Center campus: 35661 HWY 17 North, Coulee City, WA

- Ice Age Floods Institute - from the Lower Grand Coulee Chapter and other chapters from Oregon, Idaho, Montana, and Washington too.

- Randy Lewis - (Wenatchi/P’Squosa) holds a vast storehouse of oral tradition that chronicles the stories of Indian people living in the Mid-Columbia region. Randy will share the history and stories of Steamboat Rock, Moses Coulee, and the Grand Coulee.

- Eric Van Stone - (archeologist Colville Nation), will have demonstrations of flint napping and examples of stone tools.

- National Park Service – Interpretive Rangers with a Mobile Interpretive Center showcasing the Ice Age Floods National Geologic Trail and Lake Roosevelt National Recreation Area. The 60th Anniversary of the National Natural Landmark – Grand Coulee will be celebrated.

- Foster Creek Conservation District – programs on Shrub Steppe ecology, water resources, and native vegetation.


- Bureau of Reclamation – George S. Jaramillo, PhD Historian, Grand Coulee Power Office Historical overview of the Columbia Basin Irrigation Project, Grand Coulee Dam, and historical Vista House and rock wall at Dry Falls.

- Archeologist – Mark Amara, Kim Lancaster, and Kellie Green; representing the Cascadia Conservation District, USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service. Their booth will highlight the importance of historical artifacts, tools of the trade, and a hands-on activity too.

- Grant County Historians/authors: John Kemble & Dan Bolyard – John Kemble a local historian and explorer highlighting Dry Falls, Sun Lakes, Steamboat Rock, and the Grand Coulee. Dan Bolyard has been a lifelong Grant County Big Bend area resident and railroad historian.
• Field Trip hike – Dr. Karl Lillquist, physical geographer at Central Washington University. Karl will lead an education hike from Deep Lake parking area at Sun Lakes - Dry Falls State Park to the world-famous pothole features and the Caribou Trail, a historic stagecoach and cattle trail.
  o 9am – 11:30am – Start at Deep Lake parking area.

8:30pm -10pm: Sun Lakes-Dry Falls State Park amphitheater.

A short Washington State Parks Interpretive Program plus an Ice Age Floods & Shrub Steppe ecosystems movie.

  o Mystery of the Mega Floods – NOVA, PBS 2005
    (7) Mystery of the Megaflood 2005 - YouTube

  o This Land is Part of Us: A short film produced by the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife and Conservation Northwest. For wildlife lovers, hunters and anglers, Indigenous peoples, farmers and ranchers, outdoor recreationists and so many others, this land is no desert devoid of life, this land is part of us.
    (7) This Land is Part of Us - Full film - YouTube