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Jackson-Josephine
Small Woodlands Association



September 20, 2018

Time: 7-9pm

Location: OSU Extension

Auditorium

569 Hanley Rd, Central Point

Pre-register: 541-776-7371

**Cost: \$10/person, \$15/couple,
JJSWA Members Free**

**Meet Merv George, Jr. the new
Rogue River- Siskiyou National
Forest Supervisor &
Member of The Hupa Tribe.**

Come join us to learn all about the Rogue River-Siskiyou National Forest. Merv will talk about the current projects of the RRSNF; how they manage fires & the kinds of fuels reduction projects they are currently working on. Contrast that to the past & present land management practices of the northwestern California Hupa Tribe of Humboldt County. Merv George, Jr. will speak in the traditional oratory style of the Hupa Tribe. (without a Power Point presentation!) The United States called the reservation the Hoopa Valley Indian Reservation where the Hupa currently reside. They are one of the very few California tribes not forced from their homeland.

Special Guest Speaker: Merv George, Jr. is the new Supervisor for the Rogue River-Siskiyou National Forest. He previously served as the Supervisor for the Six Rivers National Forest since 2014. Merv has 25 years of natural resource management experience. He has a bachelor's degree in Native American Studies from Humboldt State University (1997). He joined the U.S. Forest Service in 2008 as the Regional Tribal Relations Program Manager for the Pacific Southwest Region. In this position, he worked with all 18 national forests and Indian tribes in California. George has also served as acting Forest Supervisor on both the Los Padres National Forest (2017) and the Lassen National Forest (2014). Prior to joining the Forest Service, Merv spent 15 years in tribal government positions. He spent four years on the Hoopa Valley Tribal Council and a term as the Hoopa Valley Tribal Chairman. He also served as the executive director for California Indian Forest and Fire Management Council and Klamath River Inter-Tribal Fish and Water Commission.

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