

THE TOP OF THE “LINE” SINCE 1876

CHIEF or FORESTER and YEARS of SERVICE

Division of Forestry and then The Bureau of Forestry

(1881-1901)	(1901-1905)
Franklin B. Hough ¹	1876-1883
Nathaniel H. Egleston	1883-1886
Bernhard E. Fernow	1886-1898
Gifford Pinchot ²	1898-1905

Forest Service

(1905-Present)

Gifford Pinchot	1905-1910
Henry S. Graves	1910-1920
William B. Greeley	1920-1928
Robert Y. Stuart	1928-1933
Ferdinand A. Silcox	1933-1939
Earle H. Clapp (Acting)	1939-1943
Lyle F. Watts	1943-1952
Richard E. McArdle	1952-1962
Edward P. Cliff	1962-1972
John R. McGuire	1972-1979
R. Max Peterson	1979-1987
F. Dale Robertson	1987-1993
Jack Ward Thomas	1993-1996
Michael P. Dombeck	1997-2001
Dale N. Bosworth	2001-2007
Abigail R. Kimbell	2007-2009
Tom Tidwell	2009-Present

¹ Dr. Franklin B. Hough was originally given the title of “Forestry Agent” in 1876. When the Division of Forestry was temporarily established in 1881, he was given the title of “Chief.”

² When Pinchot became Chief of the Division, he requested that his title be changed from “Chief” to “Forester,” as there were many Chiefs in Washington, but only one Forester. The “Forester” title remained in effect until 1935 when the title “Chief” was readopted.

PACIFIC NORTHWEST REGION (R-6) REGIONAL FORESTERS

Regional Forester	Years Served
Edward T. Allen	1908-1909
Charles S. Chapman	1909-1911
George H. Cecil	1911-1925
Christopher M. Granger	1925-1930
Clarence J. Buck	1930-1939
Lyle F. Watts ³	1939-1943
Horace J. Andrews	1943-1951
J. Herbert Stone	1951-1967
Charles A. Connaughton	1967-1971
Rexford A. Resler	1971-1972
Theodore A. Schlapfer	1972-1977
Richard E. Worthington	1977-1981
Jeff M. Sirmon	1982-1985
Charles T. Coston	1985-1986
James F. Torrence	1986-1989
John F. Butruille	1989-1992
John E. Lowe	1992-1996
Robert W. Williams	1996-1999
Harv Forsgren	1999-2002
Linda Goodman	2003-2008
Mary Wagner	2008-present

This list to 2006 was compiled by Jerry Williams, Historian, W.O.

³ Lyle F. Watts left Region 6 to become Chief of the Forest Service from 1943-1952

PACIFIC NORTHWEST RESEARCH STATION

Station Director	Years Served
Thornton Munger	1924 - 1938
Stephen N. Wyckoff	1938 - 1944?
J. Alfred Hall	1945 - 1950?
Robert W. Cowlin	1950 - 1963
Phillip A. Briegleb	1963 - 1970?
Robert E. Buckman	1971 - 1975
Robert F. Tarrant	1975 - 1979
Robert Ethington	1979 - 1987
Charles Philpot	1987 - 1995
Thomas Mills	1995 - 2003?
Thomas Quigley	2003 - 2006
Bov Eav	2006 - present

Compiled by S.R. Dodge, 4/21/08

(Based on information found in Early Forestry Research: A History of the PNW Forest & Range Experiment Station 1925-1975 by Ivan Doig, and PNW Research News)