

**COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES**  
**113<sup>th</sup> Congress Disclosure Form**  
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**the Rules of the Committee on Natural Resources**

Subcommittee on Public Lands and Environmental Regulation legislative hearing on **H.R. 908 (DelBene)**, the  
*“Green Mountain Lookout Heritage Protection Act.”*  
Tuesday, July 23, 2013

For Individuals:

1. Name: Scott Morris
  
2. Address: [Information redacted for privacy]
  
3. Email Address: [Information redacted for privacy]
  
4. Phone Number: [Information redacted for privacy]

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For Witnesses Representing Organizations:

1. Name: Scott Morris
  
2. Name of Organization(s) You are Representing at the Hearing:  
  
Darrington Historical Society
  
3. Business Address: [Information redacted for privacy]
  
4. Business Email Address: [Information redacted for privacy]
  
5. Business Phone Number: [Information redacted for privacy]

## For all Witnesses

**Name/Organization:** Scott Morris/ The Darrington Historical Society

**Title/Date of Hearing:** Subcommittee on Public Lands and Environmental Regulation legislative hearing on **H.R. 908 (DelBene)**, the "*Green Mountain Lookout Heritage Protection Act.*"

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a. Any training or educational certificates, diplomas or degrees or other educational experiences that are relevant to your qualifications to testify on or knowledge of the subject matter of the hearing.

B.S. Natural Resources Policy and Planning, Ohio State Univ.

B.A. Journalism, Western Washington Univ.

b. Any professional licenses, certifications, or affiliations held that are relevant to your qualifications to testify on or knowledge of the subject matter of the hearing.

n/a

c. Any employment, occupation, ownership in a firm or business, or work-related experiences that relate to your qualifications to testify on or knowledge of the subject matter of the hearing.

I work as the Watershed Manager for the Sauk-Suiattle Indian Tribe, so I am familiar with environmental laws such as the National Environmental Policy Act and the Wilderness Act, both of which came into play in the lawsuit that led to our proposed legislation, but I did not participate in any way as an employee for the Tribe. I simply list it here to demonstrate my professional familiarity with the laws in question.

d. Any federal grants or contracts (including subgrants or subcontracts) from the Department of the Interior that you have received in the current year and previous four years, including the source and the amount of each grant or contract.

No. For the Tribe, I manage a few grants from the Environmental Protection Agency, but nothing from the Dept. of Interior.

e. A list of all lawsuits or petitions filed by you against the federal government in the current year and the previous four years, giving the name of the lawsuit or petition, the subject matter of the lawsuit or petition, and the federal statutes under which the lawsuits or petitions were filed.

None.

f. A list of all federal lawsuits filed against you by the federal government in the current year and the previous four years, giving the name of the lawsuit, the subject matter of the lawsuit, and the federal statutes under which the lawsuits were filed.

None.

g. Any other information you wish to convey that might aid the Members of the Committee to better understand the context of your testimony.

The Darrington Historical Society joined with the National Trust for Historic Preservation, the Washington (state) Trust for Historic Preservation and the Forest Fire Lookouts Association in filing friends of the court briefs in support of the federal government's defense against a lawsuit by a group called Wilderness Watch. That group sued to force the Forest Service to remove a historic fire lookout on top of Green Mountain. Our partnership of historical and lookout organizations filed friends of the court briefs to provide the U.S. District Court in Seattle with a historical perspective that was otherwise lacking. While our efforts were ultimately unsuccessful in court, we have continued the partnership to pursue what we feel is a more reasonable remedy through a legislative fix. Precedents have been established in which Congress has specifically exempted some fire lookouts from the strict interpretation of the Wilderness Act, which otherwise generally calls for such structures to either be removed or to essentially rot in place. A few narrow exceptions exist in the law for structures deemed necessary for the management of a wilderness area, but Green Mountain Lookout was not found to qualify for that type of exception. Green Mountain Lookout would, however, easily mirror other exemptions Congress has made for fire lookouts that have historical value and support among the general public. My testimony will indicate that Green Mountain Lookout has widespread, bipartisan support, including historical groups and even most of the environmental community, and that the only people who want the lookout removed represent a very narrow minority.

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h. Any offices, elected positions, or representational capacity held in the organization(s) on whose behalf you are testifying.

I am currently the President and Secretary of the Darrington Historical Society. Before becoming President, I served as Vice President. I first joined the Board of Directors in 2008, when I was voted in as Secretary.

i. Any federal grants or contracts (including subgrants or subcontracts) from the Department of the Interior that were received in the current year and previous four years by the organization(s) you represent at this hearing, including the source and amount of each grant or contract for each of the organization(s).

None.

j. A list of all lawsuits or petitions filed by the organization(s) you represent at the hearing against the federal government in the current year and the previous four years, giving the name of the lawsuit or petition, the subject matter of the lawsuit or petition, and the federal statutes under which the lawsuits or petitions were filed for each of the organization(s).

None.

k. A list of all federal lawsuits filed against the organization(s) you represent at the hearing by the federal government in the current year and the previous four years, giving the name of the lawsuit, the subject matter of the lawsuit, and the federal statutes under which the lawsuits were filed.

None.

l. For tax-exempt organizations and non-profit organizations, copies of the three most recent public IRS Form 990s (including Form 990-PF, Form 990-N, and Form 990-EZ) for each of the organization(s) you represent at the hearing (not including any contributor names and addresses or any information withheld from public inspection by the Secretary of the Treasury under 26 U.S.C. 6104)).

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**Scott and Erika Morris**

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Form **990-N**  
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Gross receipts are normally  
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C Name of organization: DARRINGTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY  
d/b/a:

% Erika Morris  
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D Employer  
Identification Number  
91-1428155

E Website:

F Name of Principal Officer: Leah Tyson

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**C** Name of organization: DARRINGTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY  
d/b/a:

% Erika Morris  
PO Box 1130  
Darrington, WA, US, 98241

**D** Employer  
Identification  
Number  
91-1426155

**E** Website:

**F** Name of Principal Officer: Erika Morris

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