

**OREGON GLOBAL WARMING COMMISSION – NATURAL RESOURCE COMMITTEE**  
**JANUARY 20, 2009**

**MEETING GOALS:**

To frame the work plan for 2009 and prepare the Committee's discussion subjects for the January Oregon Global Warming Commission meeting

**AGENDA:**

1. Taking Stock of 2008
  - a. OGWC NR Committee recommendations to the Governor's office.
    1. Should the NR Committee request an update briefing from the Governor's staff during the Commission meeting?
    2. Should the NR Committee use the OGWC NR recommendations to evaluate the Governor's budget?
  - b. Forest Sub-Committee. In response to requests from a number of OGWC members for greater clarity on the role Oregon's forests play in mitigation and adaptation, ODF's Andrew Yost prepared a memo summarizing ODF's work. Should we recommend ODF be given an opportunity to present this memo for discussion?
2. Looking Ahead to 2009
  - a. **Governor's Office & State Agencies.**
    1. Given the proposed budget, what other steps should the OGWC consider to assist NR agencies as they take additional steps to incorporate climate change adaptation into their work programs?
    2. Other remaining work in 2009?
  - b. **State Legislature.** With the release of the budget, transfer OGWC focus from Governor's office to the Legislature:
    1. What should the NR Committee recommend to the OGWC regarding follow-up with the legislature? Who would represent the OGWC in outreach to the legislature?
  - c. **Federal Delegation.** How should the OGWC, and the NRC specifically, interact with Oregon's delegation as it considers federal policies that will affect Oregon's abilities to achieve its climate change objectives?
  - d. **Oregon Global Warming Commission.**
    1. Cap-And-Trade. What role will NRC play in reviewing offset protocols? Impact of cap-and-trade on natural resource economies?
    2. Biomass: An item of great importance to some members of the NR Committee is the role played by biomass as a potential clean energy fuel source. Should the NR Committee recommend to the OGWC that biomass as a clean energy fuel stock fall under the jurisdiction of the NR Committee? If the NR Committee does

decide to take up biomass as a subject, what steps can it take to ensure that biomass is addressed by the relevant committee?

3. Future Role of the OGWC (and its committees): There has been a good deal of discussion regarding the future role of the OGWC. Should the NR Committee suggest that the OGWC seek clarity from the Governor's office and the Legislature to better define this role? Assuming the Commission chair should be the primary spokesperson, should other OGWC members also speak on behalf of the Commission (i.e., based on issue)?

**e. OGWC Natural Resource Committee and Sub-Committees.**

1. How to better integrate with state agencies and avoid duplication of efforts? Work within standing commissions and boards?
3. Other agenda items of interest to NR Committee members? (please send proposals to John Audley at [jaudley@tnc.org](mailto:jaudley@tnc.org)).