

State Forests Program Performance Measures

Board Intent Statement as adopted November 2007: The timeframe for these performance measures and targets is specific to the next two decades; however management approaches utilized by the department to achieve these targets will establish goals for long-term sustainability of the social, environmental, economic values being provided, consistent with OAR 629-035-0020. The Board shall review the progress made towards these targets every two years through the biennial review of the State Forest performance measures. The reviews of the measures will provide the Board the opportunity to adjust the performance measures, targets, and/or the Department the opportunity to adjust management practices, as warranted, based on the most current information available at the time. Further refinement of the entire set of performance measures and associated targets is anticipated to occur periodically into the future. The next review of these performance measures will occur in the fall of 2008.

#1 Net return on return on asset value (ROAV) on Board of Forestry Lands and Common School Fund land calculated across all state forestlands and for each forest (e.g. Elliott, Sun Pass, Tillamook, and Santiam)¹

Target. Achieve a ROAV (5-year average) consistent with the achievement of the target established for performance measure #3 (financial contributions to government services). At the next performance measure review, evaluate current information relative to this measure and whether or not a more specific target should be considered.

- a. Annual calculation expressed as a percentage (net returns / asset value) compared against a specific target range, and compared over time to a 5- and 10-year average

#2 Direct and indirect financial contributions from the State Forests Program to support communities²

Target. Maintain or improve this measure, consistent with other performance measures targets. At the next performance measure review, present the most recent results and/or progress on the ecosystem services/non-market valuation study currently underway in coordination with Oregon State University. Evaluate the most current information relative to this measure and whether or not more specific targets should be considered.

- a. Total timber volume harvested (Net MBF) versus a 5- or 10-year average
- b. Annual log flow from state forestlands to rural areas (Net MBF) versus a 5- or 10-year average
- c. # of family wage jobs in local communities
- d. Economic contributions to local communities from non-timber related activities (e.g. recreation)
- e. Diversity of employment by industry
- g. % of population unemployed
- h. % of persons living below poverty line
- i. Household income inequality

¹ Metric 1b, "over time a 5- and 10-year average could also be calculated for comparison to an annual calculation", is not a metric but a reporting requirement.

² Board decided at the June 2007 meeting to delete "Percent of Population 25 years an older having bachelor's degree or higher".

#3 Direct & indirect State Forests Program financial contributions to local and state government

Target: Increase the annual revenues (5-year average), adjusted for inflation, produced by BOF lands by 30-35% within the next ten years, and meet or exceed that level for the subsequent ten years.

- a. Annual distributions to Trust Land counties and CSF versus a 5- or 10-year average
- b. Indirect contributions to state and local governments by operators and mills through business income tax, harvest tax, weight-mile tax and property taxes on mills.

#4 State forest area affected by or at risk of invasive species, pests, disease and fire³

Target: Maintain or improve these three measures, consistent with other performance measures targets. At the next performance measure review, evaluate the most current information relative to these measures and whether or not more specific targets should be considered.

- a. Forest area affected by pests and disease
- b. Forest area by Fire Regime Class

#5 Forest road risks to water quality and fish habitat

Target: Reduce the miles of hydrologically connected roads to less-than 15% of the road network within the next ten years, and maintain or improve that level of reduction for the following ten years. Reduce the number of road crossings that are barriers to fish passage to less-than 2% within the next ten years, and maintain or improve that level of reduction for the subsequent ten years.

- a. % of SF roads that have hydrologic connection to stream networks
- b. % of SF stream crossings on fish streams with barriers to adult or juvenile migration

#6 Quantities of habitat by FMP stand-structure type and habitat components, and the use of those areas by native fish and wildlife.

Target: Increase the percent of the landscape in complex structure to at least 17-20% over the next two decades, with at least half of the increase occurring within the first ten years. Grow and maintain levels of the other forest types needed to achieve this target. Within the percent of the landscape providing complex structure, achieve the following:

Develop and maintain complex structure in those areas where it is anticipated to result in the greatest benefits to both aquatic and terrestrial species of concern, and complete a process by fall 2008 that identifies specific strategies (including landscape design modifications) to maintain, enhance, and restore habitats for species of concern.

- a. Live tree and snag retention and downed wood in harvest units.
- b. Stand structure %
- c. Acres of SF by FMP structure type
- d. Landscape averages of the # of snags and amount of DW

³ Metric "Areas of forest burned by uncharacteristic wildfire" was dropped.

e. Composition and structure of forest vegetation

f. Use of stand structure types and habitat components by wildlife.

#7 Availability, quality and public use of recreational opportunities and educational programs

Target Maintain current recreational benefits consistent with existing and anticipated future resources. At the next performance measure review evaluate results from the “2nd Party Recreation Program Assessment – Follow-Up Project” currently being conducted by the Department, which the Board will receive an update on in January 2008, and whether or not more specific targets should be considered.

a. # of facilities and trails developed and maintained for interpretation, education, and recreation

b. Annual visitation to the TFC compared to five- and ten-year averages

c. Annual participation in formal educational programs compared to five- and ten-year averages

d. Annual user days for the various types of recreational use on SF

#8 Degree of public and stakeholder involvement in state forestland activities and processes⁴

Target Maintain or improve these three measures, consistent with other performance measures targets. At the next performance measure review, evaluate the most current information relative to these measures and whether or not more specific targets should be considered.

a. Hours committed by volunteers, community participants and partners, as well as report on progress on specific volunteer projects

b. Annual survey of SFAC and FTLAC members

#9 Customer awareness and support of the management of state lands⁵

Target Maintain or improve these three measures, consistent with other performance measures targets. At the next performance measure review, evaluate the most current information relative to these measures and whether or not more specific targets should be considered.

a. Oregonian’s responses to biennial survey questions

⁴ The metric “report on consideration given to public comments during planning processes” was dropped.

⁵ The metric “ODF interactions at public forums” is reported under PM 8, metric 2.