

STAFF REPORT

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SUMMARY

This agenda item presents the 2008 progress report of the State Forests Research and Monitoring program.

CONTEXT

The report is a requirement in the State Forest Management Plans (FMPs) for NW and SW Oregon.

BACKGROUND

The FMPs emphasize the need for adaptive approaches to management, in which the results of management actions are measured and compared to pre-determined objectives, and changes are made where necessary. This approach requires a commitment to long-term information gathering and the incorporation of that information into the decision-making process. A formal policy for State Forests Program research was adopted in 1995. The research policy states that approximately five percent of the State Forest Management Program annual budget can be invested in research, monitoring, and technology transfer. The state forests research and monitoring program was developed to ensure that the levels of research, monitoring, and technology transfer are adequate to meet the information needs required by these long-range management plans.

RECOMMENDATIONS/ACTIONS REQUESTED

None

ATTACHMENT

- (1) *State Forests Research and Monitoring Program: Program Summary, January – December 2008* (Printed copies will be available at the Board meeting.)