

Agenda Item No.:	3
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Title:	Nomination to the Committee for Family Forestlands and Approval of Revised Charter
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SUMMARY

The purpose of this agenda item is to submit for consideration the reappointment of one current member to the nine-member Committee for Family Forestlands, and to approve a revised Committee Charter.

BACKGROUND

The Committee for Family Forestlands provides advice to the Board of Forestry and the State Forester on methods to help improve the vitality of family forestlands, including improving owners' ability to manage and market their timber and other forest products. The Committee for Family Forestlands continues to evaluate the impact of policy and regulatory changes on family forest landowners.

CONTEXT

Committee members serve three-year appointments. There are seven voting members, including four family forestland owners, one forest industry representative, one environmental community representative and one citizen-at-large. The committee has three ex-officio members representing Oregon State University College of Forestry, the State Forester, and Oregon Forest Resources Institute.

Current membership is shown in Attachment 1. The position with nomination for reappointment is highlighted in bold type. Nominations for replacement of the citizen-at-large and environmental community representatives will be presented at a future meeting. Nominee biographical information is provided in Attachment 2.

The Committee for Family Forestlands has revised its charter as shown in Attachment 3 to reflect concern about the impact of Federal land management, provide clarity, and add representatives from public land managers and forestry interest/consulting groups as ex-officio members.

RECOMMENDATION

The Department recommends the Board reappoint Ned Livingston as the eastern Oregon landowner representative on the Committee for Family Forestlands for a three-year term expiring July 2010, and approve the Charter for the Committee for Family Forestlands as presented.

ATTACHMENTS:

- (1) Membership – Committee for Family Forestlands
- (2) Biographical Information of Nominees
- (3) Revised Charter – Committee for Family Forestlands
- (4) Current Charter – Committee for Family Forestlands