

# Forest Trust Land Advisory Committee

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## Oregon Department of Forestry Salem, Oregon

### Draft Minutes April 6, 2007

Pursuant to notice made by press release to newspapers of general and local circulation throughout the state and distributed to persons on the mailing list of the committee and the members of the committee, a regular meeting of the Forest Trust Land Advisory Committee (FTLAC) was held at the Department of Forestry in Salem, Oregon.

#### **Present Committee Members**

Tim Josi, Tillamook County Commissioner, Chair  
Sam Patrick, Clatsop County Commissioner, Vice-Chair  
John Griffith, Coos County Commissioner  
Chuck Hurliman, Tillamook County Commissioner  
Mike Propes, Polk County Commissioner  
Patricia Roberts, Clatsop County Commissioner  
Anthony Hyde, Columbia County Commissioner  
Gill Riddell, Association of Oregon Counties

#### **Present Department Staff**

Jim Paul, Assistant State Forester and Secretary for FTLAC  
Mike Bordelon, Northwest Oregon Area Director  
Nancy Hirsch, Interim State Forests Program Director  
Jeff Foreman, Public Information Officer  
Ross Holloway, Tillamook District Forester  
Steve Lamm, District Forester  
Barbara Lee, Policy and Planning Manager  
Tom Savage, Astoria District Forester  
Andy White, Assistant to Area Director, NWOA  
Jerry Chetock, Unit Forester, N. Cascade  
Dave Johnson, District Forester, Forest Grove  
Dan Postrel, Agency Affairs  
Steve Strunk, State Forests, Office Manager

#### **Opening Remarks**

Approval of previous meeting minutes.

### **Department of Forestry Updates**

Jim Paul talked about the recent staff changes with Lisa DeBruyckere resigning from the agency. Nancy Hirsch will be the interim State Forests Program Director. The recruitment process is underway. Jim reported that the United States District Court dismissed a case against State Forests from NEDC. The ruling was the best possible outcome for the State. NEDC will appeal to the Ninth Circuit; the hearing should be around June of 2008.

The State Forester presented the program's budget to the Ways and Means Sub Committee. The POP is looking as good as it can at this moment as it is included in the co-chair's budget.

Discussion followed, Tim Josi expressed that the recreation component is important to support.

### **Public Comment**

None

### **Implementation Plan Review: Phase II**

Barbara Lee and Mike Bordelon reported.

The implementation plan review is intended to explore options for improving performance across all values; social, economic, and environmental. The process will help to make planning less complicated and more efficient.

Tim Josi stated that the FTLAC committee needs to be more involved in the process than it is currently.

### **State Forest Performance Measures: Board of Forestry update.**

Jim Paul reported that the performance measure work is moving forward deliberately. Over the past year the draft PM's have been refined based on the Board's comments. The intent of the measures is to provide the board with a mechanism to determine if current forest management plans are likely to be meeting the GPV. The Board approved nine measures. Current data will be reported to the Board in June. Other management scenarios from a conceptual perspective will also be presented to help the Board have the GPV discussion and make a determination.

Jim provided the committee with a matrix of the nine PM's. (Attachment 1)

The committee would like to provide input to the Board on current methods used for determining "return on asset value" within the private forest sector. Return on asset value is one of the nine Board of Forestry performance-measures.

Mark Rassmussen will work with Jim Paul to present suggestions to the Board of Forestry.

### **Salvage Activities update**

Mike Bordelon distributed the preliminary salvage estimates from the NWOA and the rest of the state. (Attachment 2) The Department is exploring risk abatement methods to reduce wind damage and using the event as a case study.

Discussion followed. Tim Josi suggested the BOF look at revising harvest levels.

**Budget Status: FY08 Budget development**

Clark Seely provided an update on the status of the department's current biennial budget process with the legislature. Nancy Hirsch reported that the FY08 budget development process is underway. Nancy provided a hand-out and provided information on the fiscal budgeting process. (Attachment 3)

**Clatsop District Report**

Tom Savage reported on the snag creation work that has been accomplished on the Sager Meister Timber Sale. Snags were created to move area in to older forest structure (OFS). Five hundred Snags were created across 277 acres.

**Closing Comments**

None

Chair Josi adjourned the meeting at 12:15 pm.

Next meeting: May 18th, 2007