

A summary of the third meeting of the ODF Forest Carbon Stakeholders Working Group - Monday February 11, 2008 in Portland, OR.

Present: Jay Morey – ODF, Jim Cathcart – ODF, Cameron Smith – Oregon Governor's Office, Craig Partridge – WA DNR, Linc Cannon – OFIC, Mike Cloughesy – OFRI, Keith Balter – Forest Capital Partners, Brian Kernohan – Forest Capital Partners, Wade Mosby – The Collins Company, Eric Schooler – The Collins Company, W. Ray Jones – Roseburg Forest Products, John Audley – The Nature Conservancy, Bettina Von Hagen – Ecotrust, Matt Fehrenbacher – Pacific Forest Trust, Sara Vickerman – Defenders of Wildlife, Gina Larocco – Defenders of Wildlife, Evan Smith – The Conservation Fund, Bruce Lippke – University of Washington
Via Conference Call: Mike Gaudern – OSWA, Brad Upton – NCASI, and Mike Kennedy – Siletz Tribe

Potential Facilitator (Mike Schnee) Discussion:

- Group members present thought Mike Schnee had provided a good introduction on his background and experience via e-mail last week.
- The group felt Mike could be a valuable addition and should be given a chance to serve as a mediator and facilitator.
- Two or three meetings from now, the group will discuss and re-evaluate how the process is working with Mike doing mediation and facilitation duties.
- Mike should be integrated into the group and able to facilitate the next group meeting.

Cameron Smith from the Governor's Office provided timelines for the WCI and avenues where input can be submitted:

- March 26-27, 2008 the WCI Offsets sub-committee has a meeting. Presenting a unified consensus from this group, at least on some issues, could be very influential coming from a forestry working group.
- Approximately May 1, 2008 would be the deadline for providing input and influence to the offsets sub-committee. The offsets sub-committee will be putting together their draft of recommendations during May 2008.
- June 2008 will be deliberation; input into the WCI in the broader context, (outside of sub-committees) could be submitted during this time. Most likely the WA WCI stakeholder process would be providing input during this time, as WA has yet to pull together and meet with their WCI stakeholder group.
- July 2008 will be the formation of the fully integrated WCI plan, with the deliverable final draft of the WCI to come out sometime in August 2008.

Integration with Washington State Discussion:

- Craig Partridge from Washington DNR provided an update on the WA integration potential. Due to legislative session issues, WA had asked we hold off on further meetings until they can hold their initial stakeholder meeting during the third or fourth week of March. Following the initial meeting with WA stakeholders, WA and OR would move quickly to integrate the two working groups sometime in early April, granted there was a consensus from the initial WA stakeholder meeting that WA should integrate with OR.
- The group felt due to the delayed timeline and ability to influence the WCI offsets sub-committee, and the positive momentum that has been built so far, it wouldn't be in the best interests of the process to idle the group for approximately six weeks until WA can meet with stakeholders. The group will continue to integrate and keep WA in the loop as we move forward and the potential remains for a WA and OR integration sometime in April 2008. In the meantime before the initial WA stakeholder meeting, group members should keep in contact with their WA counterparts to aid in the integration process should that occur.
- Of interest in the current Washington State legislature, HB 2815 is a climate bill which could provide some insights to stakeholders. Many of the same discussions are

happening right now around this bill, however, in more of a stakeholder caucus format than broad stakeholder meetings. Go to www.wa.leg.gov for more information.

Educational Presentation from Bruce Lippke from CORRIM research and Univ. of Washington:

- Bruce presented some concepts of his CORRIM research on the science of tracking carbon across all stages of processing. **See attached files of Bruce's presentation and thoughts.**

Discussion of the draft Synthesis Paper put together by the sub-committee:

- Special thanks to Adrian Miller from WFPA who was the primary author of the rough draft paper everyone should have received on Friday 2-8-08.
- Approximately a half dozen papers or position statements were received, which were distributed to all group members. These papers varied considerably in format, level of detail, and content.
- The group discussed the process, the timeline, and format of the paper. The sub-committee conferred twice via conference call during the drafting process.
- Most everyone agreed the format was helpful, at least in terms of getting a rough collection of thoughts, principles, and issues on carbon credit trading.
- The group agreed more context could be built into the paper of what and who it is intended for as well as some key messages.
- As a document to help policy makers it was suggested for the paper to capture three helpful outcomes, what can be agreed, what cannot be agreed, and what project types may fix these issues.
- *Now that there is a document out, we are hoping to receive considerable comment on the synthesis paper. This will help us greatly in identifying further where key areas of agreement and disagreement are, and will provide a good idea and framework on where to go from here in terms of where our influence should go, future meeting agendas, and our abilities to meet the WCI input deadlines. Please utilize the track changes feature on word to identify changes and comments and initial or somehow identify who the comment came from. All comments on the synthesis paper should go to Jay Morey, please have all input submitted to me by the end of the day **Monday February 18, 2008**. The sub-committee will begin work shortly thereafter to refine and edit the paper using the comments and changes group members submit.*

Next Steps:

- Comments generated from the paper as described above should provide for ample discussion at the next meeting.
- Due to the difficulty of having time for a speaker and discussion in three hours, it was agreed at the meeting our educational portions should be held prior to the regular three hour meeting, as a 12:00 to 1:00 brown bag lunch/ educational presentation. This format will be implemented for the next meeting.
- Ideas for future educational presentations are CCAR and Voluntary Carbon Standard protocols, Mark Harmon from OSU, and perspectives from carbon buyers.

Next Meeting:

- Mike Schnee should be in place as our mediator and facilitator.
- Provide any updates or discussion on the evolving WA integration process.
- Discussion on where we want our input submitted, i.e. do we aim for getting some input into the WCI offsets sub-committee prior to their March 26-27 meeting?
- Discuss the synthesis paper updated with submitted comments and work to get agreement on what our core principles will be.

When: Thursday February 28, 2008 from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm with a brown bag educational presentation (topic and speaker TBD) from 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm

Where: Portland – **Location to be determined, details will come soon!**

Conference Call Option: Unknown at this time, depends on facility that can be arranged

Future Meetings Scheduled:

When: Monday March 10th and March 24, 2008 from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm with a brown bag educational presentation (topics and speakers TBD) from 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm

Where: Portland - Board Room (Third Floor) at the US Bank Building located at 625 SW Stark Street, Portland, OR 97205.

****Tentative** Future Meetings (Subject to change of date and location depending upon how the integration process with Washington State goes):**

When: Monday April 7th, 21st, and May 5, 2008 from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm with a brown bag educational presentation (topics and speakers TBD) from 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm

Where: Portland - Board Room (Third Floor) at the US Bank Building located at 625 SW Stark Street, Portland, OR 97205.

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