

**Oregon Board of Forestry – Public Meeting**

**Wednesday, January 3, and Thursday, January 4, 2024**

**January 3, Wednesday – Hybrid Public Meeting 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.**

The Board will meet for their regular public business meeting at the ODF Headquarters, Tillamook Room - 2600 State St, Salem, OR, 97310

**January 4, Thursday – Hybrid Public Meeting 8 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.**

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The Board of Forestry January meeting will be hybrid to allow both in-person and virtual attendance. Each meeting day will be streamed live on the department’s YouTube channel. An opportunity for the public to provide live testimony will be available for day one. Sign-up instructions can be found on the Board’s meeting website, <https://www.oregon.gov/odf/board/Pages/bofmeetings.aspx>. Written testimony may be submitted before, or up to two weeks after, the meeting day to [boardofforestry@odf.oregon.gov](mailto:boardofforestry@odf.oregon.gov). Please include the meeting date, agenda item number or topic header with the written submission.

**The link to view the Board of Forestry Meeting is**  
**<https://www.youtube.com/c/OregonDepartmentofForestry>**

Prior meetings’ audio and this meeting’s written material are available on the web [www.oregon.gov/odf/board](http://www.oregon.gov/odf/board). The matters under the Consent Agenda will be considered in one block. Any board member may request the removal of any item from the consent agenda. Items removed for separate discussion will be considered after approval of the consent agenda. Public comment will not be taken on consent agenda items.

**January 3rd Public Meeting**

**Consent Agenda**

- 9:00 – 9:01 **A. Financial Dashboard Report – September through December 2023.....James Short**
- 9:00 – 9:01 **B. Field-Andrews Rangeland Fire Protection Association Expansion-Request for Hearing ..... Levi Hopkins**
- 9:00 – 9:01 **C. Confidentiality & Inadmissibility of Mediation Communications administrative rulemaking ..... Ryan Miller**
- 9:00 – 9:01 **D. Reappointment of Emergency Fire Cost Committee Chair .... James Short and Nancy Hirsch**
- 9:00 – 9:01 **E. Adaptive Management Program Committee Member Terms. Josh Barnard and Terry Frueh**
- 9:00 – 9:01 **F. Monitoring Unit Annual Update ..... Josh Barnard and Adam Coble**

**Action and Information**

- 9:01 – 9:15 **1. State Forester and Board Member Comments**  
*The department’s agency director and board members reserve this time to provide commentary. This is an information item.*
- 9:15 – 11:15 **2. Public Comments**  
*The Board will hear from the public for items on and off the agenda. See page 3 for sign-up details. This is an information item.*
- 11:15 – 11:30 Morning break
- 11:30 – 12:15 **3. 2023 Forest Practices Operator of the Year Awards Jason Pettigrew and Megan Cogswell**  
*Board of Forestry’s presentation of the Forest Practices Regional Operator of the Year awards for 2023. The Operator Recognition program encourages protecting forest resources and values by recognizing operators who have excelled in effort, innovation, cooperation,*

*consistency, and prevention to achieve or surpass the standards of forest resource protection. This is a ceremonial item.*

- 12:15 – 1:30 Lunch
- 1:30 – 1:45 4. **Forest Trust Land Advisory Committee Testimony** ..... FTLAC Chair or Vice-Chair  
*The FTLAC is a statutorily established committee that advises the Board on State Forests policy. This is an information item.*
- 1:45 – 2:15 5. **Adaptive Management Program Committee Update** ..... Josh Barnard, Terry Frueh,  
.....Stacey Detwiler, and Seth Barnes  
*The Department invited the Committee’s co-chairs to present an update to the Board on progress made in 2023 and outline the 2024 work plan. This is an information item.*
- 2:15 – 3:00 6. **Oregon Forest Resource Institute Update** ..... Cal Mukumoto and Jim Paul  
*The department invited Oregon Forest Resource Institute (OFRI) Executive Director to refresh the Board on the organization’s mission, goals, and structure. Provide an overview of how OFRI operates, the products they provide, and how the organization measures their effectiveness. This is an informational item.*
- 3:00 – 3:30 Afternoon break
- 3:30 – 4:00 7. **Forest Health Unit Annual Update** ..... Adam Coble, Christine Buhl,  
.....Gabriela Ritokova, and Wyatt Williams  
*The department provides an overview of the Forest Health program, an update on the aerial survey program and other monitoring projects, impacts of abiotic stress events and a brief update on current outbreaks. This is an informational item.*
- 4:00 – 4:15 Meeting Day One adjourned

### January 4th Public Meeting

#### **Action and Information**

- 8:01 – 10:15 8. **\*Oregon Kitchen Table Outreach and Engagement Report Work Session** .....  
..... Board Members and Executive Team  
*The Oregon Department of Forestry partnered with Oregon Kitchen Table (OKT) to conduct community engagement related to the Forestry Program for Oregon revision and the Department’s strategic plan. The Board of Forestry (Board) and department leadership will be introduced to the highlights of OKT’s report on the community outreach, engagement, and input received. This is an information item.*
- 10:15 – 10:30 9. **Board Meeting Wrap-Up** ..... Chair Kelly and Board Members
- 10:30 Meeting Day Two adjourned

The times listed on the agenda are approximate. At the discretion of the chair, the time and order of agenda items—including the addition of breaks—may change to maintain the meeting flow. The board will hear public testimony [\*excluding marked items] and engage in discussion before proceeding to the next item. \* A single asterisk preceding the item number marks a work session, and public testimony/comment will not be accepted.

**BOARD WORK PLANS:** Board of Forestry (Board) Work Plans result from the board's identification of priority issues. Each item represents the commitment of time by the Board of Forestry and Department of Forestry staff that needs to be fully understood and appropriately planned. Board Work Plans form the basis for establishing Board of Forestry meeting agendas. The latest versions of these plans can be found on the Board's website at: <https://www.oregon.gov/odf/Board/Pages/AboutBOF.aspx>

**PUBLIC TESTIMONY:** The Board of Forestry places great value on information received from the public. The Board will only hold public testimony at the meeting for decision items. The Board accepts written comments on all agenda items except consent agenda and Work Session items [see explanation below]. Those wishing to testify or present information to the Board are encouraged to:

- Provide written summaries of lengthy, detailed information.
- Remember that the value of your comments is in the substance, not length.
- For coordinated comments to the Board, endorse rather than repeat the testimony of others.
- To ensure the Board will have an opportunity to review and consider your testimony before the meeting, please send comments no later than 72 hours before the meeting date. If submitted after this window of time the testimony will be entered into the public record but may not be viewed by the Board until after the meeting.
- To provide oral comments at an in-person meeting, sign in at the information table in the meeting room when you arrive. For virtual meetings, follow the sign-up instructions provided in the meeting agenda.

Written comments for public testimony provide a valuable reference and may be submitted before, during, or up to two weeks after the meeting for consideration by the Board. Send to [boardofforestry@odf.oregon.gov](mailto:boardofforestry@odf.oregon.gov). All comments to the Board will become part of the official record of the meeting and made available to the public on the Board's webpage.

There may be the opportunity to provide oral comments during a board meeting. Typically, commenters have two to three minutes to make their comments. Those requesting additional time for testimony should contact the Board Support Office at least three days before the meeting. Comment on decision items is limited to 30 minutes per decision item.

Members of the public may be required to register in advance to provide oral comments. Please check the Board meeting webpage for registration requirements and deadlines.

If you are experiencing technical issues or require accommodations, email [BoardofForestry@odf.oregon.gov](mailto:BoardofForestry@odf.oregon.gov) or contact the Board Support Office at (503) 945-7210.

**WORK SESSIONS:** Certain agenda topics may be marked with an asterisk indicating a "Work Session" item. Work Sessions provide the Board with an opportunity to receive information and/or make decisions after considering previous public comments and staff recommendations. No new public comment will be taken. However, the Board may choose to ask questions of the audience to clarify issues raised.

- During consideration of contested civil penalty cases, the Board will entertain oral arguments only if Board members have questions relating to the information presented.
- Relating to the adoption of Oregon Administrative Rules: Under Oregon's Administrative Procedures Act, the Board can only consider those comments received by the established deadline as listed on the Notice of Rulemaking form. Additional input can only be accepted if the comment period is formally extended (ORS 183.335).

**GENERAL INFORMATION:** For regularly scheduled meetings, the Board's agenda is posted on the web at [www.oregonforestry.gov](http://www.oregonforestry.gov) two weeks before the meeting date. During that time, circumstances may dictate a revision to the agenda, either in the sequence of items to be addressed or in the time of day the item is to be presented. The Board will make every attempt to follow its published schedule and requests your indulgence when that is not possible.

To provide the broadest range of services, lead-time is needed to make the necessary arrangements for offsite locations. If special materials, services, or assistance is required, such as a sign language interpreter, assistive listening device, or large print material, please contact our Public Affairs Office at least seven working days before the meeting via telephone at 503-945-7200 or fax at 503-945-7212.

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