Oregon Board of Forestry – Public Meeting
Oregon Department of Forestry - State Forester’s Headquarters
2600 State Street – Building C – Tillamook Room, Salem, Oregon

Wednesday, January 6, 2016

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The matters under the Consent Agenda will be considered in one block. Any Board member may request 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.

Consent Agenda

9:00 – 9:01 A. October 14, 2015 Board Planning Retreat Minutes ................................................. State Forester Doug Decker
9:00 – 9:01 B. November 5, 2015 Meeting Minutes ........................................................................ State Forester Doug Decker
9:00 – 9:01 C. Regional Forest Practices Committee Appointments and Reappointments .............. Lena Tucker
9:00 – 9:01 D. Hearing Request for Providing Protection from Fire for Private Rangelands in Northeast Baker County .................................................................................................................... Robert Young
9:00 – 9:01 E. Committee for Family Forestlands Appointments ........................................................ Lena Tucker

Action and Information

9:01 – 9:30 1. State Forester and Board Member Comments
   A. Public Comments [topics not on agenda – see over] ................................................................. Sign in at Entrance

9:30 – 9:50 2. Department of Forestry Fiscal Report ........................................................................ Satish Upadhyay
   Provides an update on the current financial status of the agency.

9:50 – 10:05 3. HR Dashboard ........................................................................................................... Jonathan Herman
   Provide initial information on ODF Human Resources and safety-related metrics as a starting point for future tracking and review.

   Provides an update on the work of the Fire Program Review Committee and two working groups focused on developing recommendations for Sustainable Large Fire Funding and a Sustainable Fire Organization

10:25 – 10:40 Morning Break

10:40 – 11:20 5. Discussion of 2015-17 Draft Board Work Plans ......................................................... Division Chiefs
   Staff will present summaries of the draft work plans for Board consideration. This is an opportunity for the Board to provide additional input to the Division Chiefs about items in the work plans for the 2015-2017 biennium.

11:40 – 12:00 6. Oregon Community Trees Urban and Community Forestry Awards .................. Ruth Williams, OCT
   The three recipients of the 2015 Oregon Urban and Community Forestry Awards will be discussed, as well as the future of urban forestry in the state, resources statewide, and how the Board can support urban forestry in the next two to three calendar years.

12:00 – 1:00 Lunch

1:00 – 1:15 7. 2017 Legislative Concept Guiding Principles and Initial Ideas .......... Nancy Hirsch & Chad Davis
   Seek feedback from the Board on legislative concept guiding principles and initial draft concepts.

   Request adoption of Department of Forestry Leadership Team recommendations for principles and guidance for 2017-19 Agency Budget Request development.

1:30 – 2:15 9. Forest Landowner Viability – Results from the Small Diameter Wood Study .... Brandon Kaetzel
   This study examines opportunities, markets, and operating requirements related to production utilizing small diameter wood and biomass. In addition to operational considerations, the study has developed broad
volume estimates by diameter distribution and species for biomass harvested from Federal timber sales and stewardship contracts in eastern Oregon.

2:15 - 2:45  10. Forest Recreation Rulemaking ................................................................. Justin Butteris
Presentation of public comments and feedback from the fees advisory committee, as well as presentation and discussion of the proposed changes made to the proposed rules based on public comment, including fees.

Department of Forestry Staff will provide an update on the Alternative Forest Management Plan timeline. An update will also be given on contingency planning efforts regarding the division’s short term financial viability.

Times listed on the agenda are approximate. At the discretion of the Chair, the time and order of agenda items may change to maintain 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. Public testimony/comment will not be accepted.
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- Provide written summaries of lengthy, detailed information;
- Recognize that substance, not length, determines the value of testimony or written information;
- Endorse rather than repeat the testimony of others;
- Sign-in at the information table located near the entrance.

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The Board cannot accept testimony on a topic for which a public hearing has been held and the comment period has closed. If you wish to provide comments to the Board, you must sign-in on the sheet provided at the Information Table, located near the meeting room's entrance. (Note: All persons attending a board meeting are requested to sign in, whether or not they intend to provide comment.)

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- During consideration of contested civil penalty cases, the Board will entertain oral argument only if Board members have questions relating to the information presented.
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