

**Board of Forestry Meeting Minutes**

**September 6, 2017**

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*Items listed in order heard.*

Complete audio recordings from the meeting and attachments listed below are available on the web at [www.oregonforestry.gov](http://www.oregonforestry.gov)

- (1) Handout, [Rex Storm Testimony](#) , Agenda Item 1

In accordance with the provisions of ORS 526.016, a meeting of the Oregon Board of Forestry was held on September 6, 2017 at the Oregon Department of Forestry Headquarters on 2600 State Street Salem, OR 97310.

Chair Imeson called the public meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

*Board Members Present:*

Sybil Ackerman-Munson  
Nils Christoffersen  
Tom Imeson  
Tom Insko  
Mike Rose  
Cindy Deacon Williams

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

Cindy Deacon Williams motioned for approval of the consent agenda. Nils Christoffersen seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion: Sybil Ackerman-Munson, Nils Christoffersen, Mike Rose, Tom Imeson, Tom Insko, and Cindy Deacon Williams. Against: none. With Board consensus, Items A through E were approved.

A. JULY 25, 2017 MEETING MINUTES

**Action: The minutes of the July 25, 2017 Board meeting were approved.**

B. REGIONAL FOREST PRACTICES COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS AND REAPPOINTMENTS

**Action: The Board approved the Regional Forest Practices Committee Appointments and Reappointments.**

C. KEY PERFORMANCE MEASURES REPORT

**Action: The Board Accepted the Key Performance Measure Report.**

D. PUBLIC PERSPECTIVES ON FOREST MANAGEMENT

**Action: The Board Accepted the Public Perspectives on Forest Management.**

E. SB 116-VETERAN'S ACCESS PASS RULEMAKING

**Action: The Board directed the Department to begin Oregon Administrative Rules revision process and return in January with draft rule language.**

**ACTION AND INFORMATION:**

1. STATE FORESTER AND BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

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State Forester Daugherty spoke about the current fire season and an update on the State Forests Policy topic.

Topics touched on included:

- Sustainability of Oregon Department of Forestry in regards to fire.
- Examining Federal Fire Policy and Transfer of Risk

- 2017 Fire Statistics
- Initial Attack and Extended Attack Fires
- LFO and CFO updates and communication on costs.
- Weekly legislator briefings
- Fire updates from the Protection Division
- Governor's Office engagement
- Preparing for legislative days
- Three Pronged approach for State Forests Policy Topic: Improved Business Practices, Revised FMP, and changed business model.

1A. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

*Rex Storm* gave public and written testimony (Attachment 1) and urged the board to engage in reforming the current broken federal forest management policies, concerning federally-borne wildfire impacts of smoke pollution and fire hazards in the federal-private interface.

*Senator Johnson* gave public testimony and agreed with Mr. Storm's testimony, she found it bizarre that a law suit was filed against the US Forest Service for cutting a fire line in the state of Washington. She addressed forest policy and the need for some strong reform when it comes to fire suppression and the Forest Service. She requested a copy of the state forester comments, and mentioned that they have been discussing a legislative fire caucus to deal with some of the federal fire management processes as they relate to the Oregon Department of Forestry.

2. Annual Topic: 2017 Fire Season Update  
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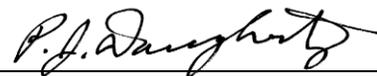
Doug Grafe, Fire Division Chief, and Ron Graham, Deputy Fire Division Chief presented the current fire situation and status. They highlighted current state-wide fire activity including year-to-date statistics and recognized Oregon's complete and coordinated fire protection system. New mapping technology was utilized to show current fire activity.

Public meeting adjourned at 10:03 am.

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Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Peter Daugherty




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Peter Daugherty, State Forester and  
Secretary to the Board

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*Approved at the November 1, 2017 Board Meeting*