

Agenda Item No. :	B
Work Plan:	Fire Protection Work Plan
Topic:	Ongoing Topics, Appointment to Emergency Fire Cost Committee
Presentation Title:	Appointment of Chris Johnson to EFCC
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**SUMMARY**

The purpose of this agenda item is to recommend appointment of one candidate to a soon-to-be vacant position on the Emergency Fire Cost Committee.

**BACKGROUND**

ORS 477.440 directs that the Board “shall appoint an Emergency Fire Cost Committee consisting of four members, who shall be forest landowners or representatives of forest landowners whose forestland is being assessed for forest fire protection within a forest protection district. At least one member shall be selected from each forest region of the state.” “Members of the Emergency Fire Cost Committee shall be appointed by the board for four-year terms.”

ORS 477.445 gives authority to the Emergency Fire Cost Committee (EFCC) to “supervise and control the distribution of funds from the Oregon Forest Land Protection Fund”. The Oregon Forest Land Protection Fund (OFLPF), established by ORS 477.750, is used to equalize (reimburse) emergency fire suppression costs expended in protecting forestland statewide by forest protection districts, both state and association. The annual expenditure limit of the OFLPF is \$13.5 million – an amount that is reviewed by the Legislature every two years.

Lee Fledderjohann has submitted his resignation from the Emergency Fire Cost Committee, effective July 1, 2018. His term expired at the end of June, 2018. Mr. Fledderjohann represents industrial woodland owners in Oregon’s eastern Oregon forest region on the EFCC.

We propose that Chris Johnson with Shanda Asset Management LLC be appointed to the EFCC to a four-year term to expire June, 2022, filling the vacancy created by the resignation of Lee Fledderjohann.

Attachment 1 contains a list of current committee members; the position scheduled for reappointment is in bold type. Attachment 2 contains a brief biography on Mr. Johnson.

**RECOMMENDATION**

The Department recommends the Board make the following appointment:

Appoint Chris Johnson to the Emergency Fire Cost Committee to a four-year term expiring the end of June, 2022.

**ATTACHMENTS**

- (1) Emergency Fire Cost Committee Membership
- (2) Biography – Chris Johnson