

Emerging Issues Work Plan	2019						
	Jan	Mar	Apr	Jun	July	Sep	Nov
Ecosystem Services and Methods for Including in Policy Decision Making							
<i>Milestones</i>							
❖ <i>Presentation on “What are Ecosystem Services?” and “How they have been valued/treated in past work”</i>							
❖ Presentation on current research/methodologies for valuing Ecosystem Services		X					
❖ TBD with the Board							
Role of Forests in Carbon Policy and Adaptation Strategies for Climate Change							
<i>Milestones</i>							
❖ <i>Report from Oregon Global Warming Commission Task Force</i>							
❖ Carbon in Oregon’s Forests: Forest Ecosystems Report				X			
❖ Carbon in Oregon’s Forests: Harvested Wood Products							X
❖ TBD with the Board							
The Intersection of Land Use Policy and Outcomes with Maintaining Working Forests							
<i>Milestones</i>							
❖ <i>Review the 2018 Update of the Land Use Change on Non-Federal Land Report</i>							
❖ TBD with the Board							

*Note: Items in italics have been completed and/or scheduled for calendar year 2018.

Board Accomplishments to Date:

Topic Area	Board Decision/Direction (Month/Year)	Work Product(s) that led to Decision
No decisions to date. Emerging Issue topics are primarily informational to engage the board in discussion regarding further exploration of the topic area.		

Significant Deviations from Initial Work Plan:

Topic Area	Change	Driver behind need for change
Role of Forests in Carbon Policy and Adaptation Strategies for Climate Change	Amended work plan to deliver a series of reports relative to standing carbon in Oregon's forests, the carbon sequestered in forest products, and simulations of forest management scenarios.	In the 2018 Short Session, the State Legislature created the Office of Carbon Policy to evaluate and make recommendations relative to a lower carbon future for Oregon. In conjunction with this effort, ODF is leading a Stakeholder Advisory Group to develop three independent reports. The authorizing legislation included some funding for ODF to contract this work.
The Intersection of Land Use Policy and Outcomes with Maintaining Working Forests	Amended work plan to remove Douglas County case study relative to a forestland definition. In light of continued local efforts to define non-resource lands, the Board may want to consider some assessment of the value of defining "forestland" in statewide land use.	After submitting the County's proposal to the Department of Land Conservation and Development, the proposal was referred to Land Use Board of Appeals and has since been withdrawn from consideration by Douglas County.