

STATE BOARD OF FORESTRY MEETING SUMMARY

September 3-4, 2025

Wednesday September 3, 2025

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Meeting Called to Order

Chair Jim Kelly called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. The meeting was held in-person and by video conference in PFSC 315 at Oregon State University, 1500 SW Jefferson Ave, Corvallis, Oregon 97331. All members of the Board of Forestry were present in person. Chair Kelly called roll and provided general housekeeping information.

Board Member	Present	Absent
Liz Agpaoa	X	
Heath Curtiss	X	
Ben Deumling	X	
Joe Justice	X	
Alexi Lovechio	X	
Vice-Chair Brenda McComb	X	
Chair Jim Kelly	X	

Staff present to support the meeting included Interim State Forester Kate Skinner, Board Administrator Denise Johnson, Matt DeVore, Assistant Attorney General for the Department.

Consent Agenda

The following were listed on the Consent Agenda

- A. **Financial Dashboard for June, July, August**
This is an information item
- B. **Annual Performance Progress Report 2025**
This is an information item
- C. **Emergency Fire Cost Committee Appointments**
This is a decision item
- D. **Regional Forest Practices Committee Appointments**
This is a decision item
- E. **Rangeland Protection Association Formation: Expansion of Petersburg RFPA Boundary**
This is a decision item
- F. **Legislative Session Outcome: Protection Division Rulemaking**
This is an information item
- G. **Vision for Oregon's Forests: Rollout Update**
This is an information item

H. State Forests Harvest Accomplishments

This is an information Item

Joe Justice moved for approval of the consent agenda items A through H as presented en bloc. Vice-Chair McComb seconded the motion. Roll call was taken and Board members voted as listed below. Motion passed 7-0.

Board Member	YES	NO
Liz Agpaoa	X	
Heath Curtiss	X	
Ben Deumling	X	
Joe Justice	X	
Alexi Lovechio	X	
Vice-Chair Brenda McComb	X	
Chair Jim Kelly	X	

Action and Information

1. Opening Comments

Chair Kelly, Interim State Forester Skinner and members of the Board

This item serves as an opportunity for the Board Chair to offer housekeeping tips and best practices, as well as opening comments from the Board Chair, agency director and members of the Board.

This is an information item

2. Post Disturbance Harvest Rules*

Josh Barnard, Forest Resources Division Chief

Nicole Stapp, Forest Resources Policy Advisor

In June 2025, the Board directed the Department to reopen the public comment period for the Post-Disturbance Harvest rules on July 1 for a period of 30 days, and to return to the Board with the results of the additional public comment period and a decision regarding the rulemaking at the September meeting. The results of the additional public comment period will be reflected in board materials and this agenda item will be for Board discussion and a decision on the rulemaking. This is a decision item, however no public comment opportunity will be available, as the public comment period closed on July 31, 2025.

Motion by Joe Justice, Second by Heath Curtiss. Motion passes 5-2.

Board Member	YES	NO
Liz Agpaoa	X	
Heath Curtiss	X	
Ben Deumling		X
Joe Justice	X	
Alexi Lovechio	X	
Vice-Chair Brenda McComb		X
Chair Jim Kelly	X	

3. Public Forum

Members of the Public

Sign-up instructions for providing public comments are posted on the Board's meeting webpage. Comments are limited to three minutes or less and are reserved for remarks on information items and topics off the agenda.

This is an information item

4 individuals signed up to provide public testimony.

4. Fire Season Update

Michael Curran, Protection Division Chief

Ron Graham, Deputy Chief, Fire Protection Division

The Department will provide the Board with an overview of the current fire situation statewide.

This is an information item

5. Adaptive Management Program (AMP) Budget for Approval

Josh Barnard, Forest Resources Division Chief

Terry Frueh, Monitoring Specialist, Forest Resources

Stacey Detwiler, AMPC Co-Chair

Seth Barnes, AMPC Co-Chair

The Department presents proposed budgets for the Adaptive Management Program and research projects per the Adaptive Management Program Committee's (AMPC) research agenda for the Board's consideration.

This is a decision item

Motion by Heath Curtiss. Second Liz Agpagoa. Motion passes 5-2.

Board Member	YES	NO
Liz Agpagoa	X	
Heath Curtiss	X	
Ben Deumling		X
Joe Justice	X	
Alexi Lovechio	X	
Vice-Chair Brenda McComb		X
Chair Jim Kelly	X	

6. Committee for Family Forestlands (CFF) Annual report

Wendy Gerlach, CFF Chair

Mike Kroon, CFF Secretary

The Committee for Family Forestlands will be presenting their annual report on items they worked on over the past year. This is an opportunity for the Board to interact with the committee with discussion and questions.

This is a decision item

Motion by Ben Deumling. Second by Heath Curtis. Motion passes 6-0. Joe Justice Absent from room.

Board Member	YES	NO
Liz Agpaoa	X	
Heath Curtiss	X	
Ben Deumling	X	
Joe Justice	Absent	
Alexi Lovechio	X	
Vice-Chair Brenda McComb	X	
Chair Jim Kelly	X	

7. Modifying an Administrative Deadline in Rule

Josh Barnard, Forest Resources Division Chief

Nicole Stapp, Forest Resources Policy Advisor

Sarah Reif, Habitat Division Administrator, Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife

This agenda item requests the Board consider a minor rule modification related to an administrative deadline, determine the type of forest practice rule being considered and direct the Department to take the next steps in rulemaking.

This is a decision item

Motion by Heath Curtiss. Second by Joe Justice. Motion passes 6-1

Board Member	YES	NO
Liz Agpaoa	X	
Heath Curtiss	X	
Ben Deumling		
Joe Justice	X	
Alexi Lovechio	X	
Vice-Chair Brenda McComb		X
Chair Jim Kelly	X	

8. Legislative Session and Budget Overview

Derrick Wheeler, Legislative Coordinator

James Short, Chief Financial Officer

This item serves as an opportunity for the Department to provide an update on the 2025 legislative session and an overview of the budget.

This is an information item

9. Board Retreat Planning

Board Chair

Members of the Board

Interim State Forester Kate Skinner

Interim Deputy Forester Tim Holschbach

The Department will provide key updates for the Board's awareness leading up to the Board's annual planning retreat. This item will also serve as an opportunity for the Board to discuss priorities for discussion at the retreat.

This is an information item

10. Department Implementation of the Forestry Natural Climate Solutions Fund

John Tokarczyk, *Resource Planning Manager*

Danny Norlander, *forest Climate, Carbon and Health Analyst*

The Department will provide the board with an update on ODF Natural Climate Solutions Fund and what the anticipation is for these funds down the road.

This is an information item

11. Oregon State University College of Forestry

Tom DeLuca, *Dean OSU College of Forestry*

12. Closing Comments

Board Chair

Members of the Board

This item serves as an opportunity for the Board Chair to mop-up outstanding business and allow for closing comments from any of the Board members.

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