



# Oregon Board of Forestry

Wednesday, March 4, 2026

## Public Meeting Agenda

### **Public Meeting Information**

The meeting will be open to the public, allowing for both in-person and virtual attendance. An opportunity for the public to provide live testimony will be available. Instructions to sign up for a live testimony slot can be found on our website: <https://www.oregon.gov/odf/board/Pages/bofmeetings.aspx>. Written testimony may be submitted by emailing the following address: [boardofforestry@odf.oregon.gov](mailto:boardofforestry@odf.oregon.gov) and will be accepted prior to the meeting date, and up to two weeks after the meeting has ended. Submissions should include meeting date and agenda item number/topic header with the written submission.

#### **In-Person Location:**

Oregon Department of Forestry  
2600 State St., Tillamook Room  
Salem, OR 97310

#### **Virtual Meeting Link:**

<https://www.youtube.com/c/OregonDepartmentofForestry>

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### Consent Agenda

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| <p><b>A. Financial Dashboard for September, October, November, December 2025 and January 2026</b><br/><i>James Short (Chief Financial Officer)</i><br/>An executive financial report and summary will be captured monthly to ensure the Board of Forestry has up-to-date information for oversight of the Department's financial condition. This report will include the financial and budgetary status of the Department as well as other ancillary topics as appropriate. <b>This is an information item.</b></p> |
| <p><b>B. Board Governance Performance Self-Evaluation</b><br/><i>Sabrina Perez (Agency Administration Strategic Advisor)</i><br/>The Board of Forestry conducts an annual formal evaluation of their performance in meeting best practices of governance as reported in a key performance measure to the Oregon Legislature. This agenda item presents the criteria and timeline to the Board for approval and initiates the annual self-evaluation process. <b>This is a decision item.</b></p>                    |
| <p><b>C. 2025 Government-to-Government Report on Tribal Relations</b><br/><i>Cindy Kolomechuk (Tribal Liaison)</i><br/>This agenda item highlights the department's efforts to promote and enhance government-to-government relationships with the nine federally recognized Tribes of Oregon through annual report. <b>This is an information item.</b></p>  |
| <p><b>D. North Pendelton Rangeland Fire Protection Association Formation</b><br/><i>Levi Hopkins (Wildfire Prevention and Policy Manager)</i><br/>The purpose of this agenda item is to obtain Board approval to proceed with bringing specific areas of northern Umatilla County, into the Oregon Protection System. <b>This is a decision item.</b></p>   |

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### Action and Information

8:30 a.m.	<p><b>1. Opening Comments and Board Member Introductions</b> <i>Chair Kelly, State Forester Kacey KC, Members of the Board</i> This item serves as an opportunity for the Board Chair to offer housekeeping tips and best practices, and for Board Members to provide introductions. <b>This is an information item.</b></p>
8:35 a.m.	<p><b>2. Consent Agenda Items</b> <i>Chair Jim Kelly, Members of the Board</i> This item serves as an opportunity to review and consider items presented on the Consent Agenda. <b>This is a decision item.</b></p>
8:40 a.m.	<p><b>3. State Forester Introduction</b> <i>State Forester Kacey KC</i> This item serves as time to introduce and hear from the State Forester. <b>This is an information item.</b></p>
8:45 a.m.	<p><b>4. Public Forum</b> <i>Member of the Public</i> 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. <b>This is an information item.</b></p>
9:15 a.m.	<p><b>5. Legislative Session Update</b> <i>Derrick Wheeler (Legislative Director)</i> This item serves as an opportunity for the Department to provide an update on the 2026 legislative short session. <b>This is an information item.</b></p>
9:45 a.m.	<p><b>BREAK</b></p>
10:00 a.m.	<p><b>6. Board Governance Committee Work</b> <i>Ben Deumling (Board Member)</i> The Board will hear from Board Governance subcommittee members on recommendations to the Board Manual and best practices. <b>This is an information item.</b></p>
10:30 a.m.	<p><b>7. Forest Trust Land Advisory Committee Testimony</b> <i>FTLAC Members</i> The FTLAC is a statutorily established committee that advises the Board on the management of State Forests and other matters in which counties may have a responsibility pertaining to forestland. <b>This is an information item.</b></p>
10:45 a.m.	<p><b>8. State Forest Update on Rulemaking and Performance Measures</b> <i>Mike Wilson (State Forest Division Chief), Justin Butteris (Policy Analyst)</i> This item will provide an update on the rulemaking process for the Western Oregon Forest Management Plan. <b>This is an information item.</b></p>
11:15 a.m.	<p><b>9. Performance Measures for Western Oregon State Forests</b> <i>Mike Wilson (State Forest Division Chief), and Tyson Wepprich (Adaptive Management Specialist) Forester</i> This item is an opportunity for the Board to receive an update on Performance Measures for Western Oregon State Forests Management and provide input for staff. <b>This is an information item.</b></p>



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12:00 p.m.	<b>LUNCH</b>
1:00 p.m.	<p><b>10. Governor’s Natural Resource Team Update</b>  <i>Geoff Huntington (Senior Policy Advisor), Chandra Ferrari (Natural Resource Policy Advisor), and Amy Schulser, (Climate and Energy Policy Advisor)</i>            Overview of Recent Executive Orders. <b>This is an information item.</b></p>
2:00 p.m.	<p><b>11. Update on Adaptive Management Program</b>  <i>Josh Barnard (Forest Resources Division Chief), Terry Frueh (Adaptive Management Program Coordinator), Seth Barnes (Co-chair AMPC), Stacy Detwiler (Co-Chair AMPC), Jessica Homyack (Co-Chair, IRST), Kelly Burnett (Chair IRST), Lisa Gaines (Director IRST Housing Agency OSU/Institute for Natural Resources)</i>            The Adaptive Management Program Committee (AMPC) Co-chairs, the Co-chairs of the Independent Research and Science Team (IRST), and staff from both OSU/Institute for Natural Resources (INR) and ODF will report on the progress of the Adaptive Management Program. <b>This is an information item.</b></p>
3:00 p.m.	<b>BREAK</b>
3:15 p.m.	<p><b>12. Tethered Logging Rulemaking</b>  <i>Josh Barnard (Forest Resources Division Chief), and Nicole Stapp (Forest Resources Policy Advisor)</i>            On March 5, 2025 the Board initiated rulemaking concerning tethered logging as directed by Section 7 of Senate Bill 1501 (2022). At the March board meeting the Department provided a briefing on tethered logging which included an operational overview and current science, and a related field tour was held in September 2025. This agenda item is a continuation of that discussion and includes a decision item for the Board regarding next steps. <b>The Board is accepting testimony on this item. 15 minutes of time will be dedicated to live testimony. This is a decision item.</b></p>
4:00 p.m.	<p><b>13. Closing Comments</b>  <i>Board Chair Kelly, State Forester Kacey KC</i>            This item serves as an opportunity for the Board Chair to address any outstanding work. <b>This is an information item.</b></p>
4:15 p.m.	<b>Adjourn Meeting</b>

**NOTE:** Times listed on the agenda are approximate. At the discretion of the chair, the time and order of agenda items—including the addition of breaks—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, and public testimony/comment will not be accepted.

**PUBLIC TESTIMONY:** The Board of Forestry places great value on information received from the public. The Board will only hold public testimony at the meeting for decision items. The Board generally accepts written comments on all agenda items except consent agenda items, other items specifically identified in the agenda, and Work Session items [see explanation below]. Those wishing to testify or present information to the Board are encouraged to:

- Provide written summaries of lengthy, detailed information.
- Remember that the value of your comments is in the substance, not length.

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- For coordinated comments to the Board, endorse rather than repeat the testimony of others.
- To ensure the Board will have an opportunity to review and consider your testimony before the meeting, please send comments no later than 72 hours before the meeting date. If submitted after this window of time the testimony will be entered into the public record but may not be viewed by the Board until after the meeting.
- To provide oral comments at an in-person meeting, register in advance using the information in the meeting agenda and sign in at the information table in the meeting room when you arrive. For virtual meetings, follow the signup instructions provided in the meeting agenda.
- Commenters have two to three minutes to make their comments. Comment on decision items is limited to 30 minutes per decision item.

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**WORK SESSIONS:** Certain agenda topics may be marked with an asterisk indicating a "Work Session" item. Work Sessions provide the Board with an opportunity to receive information and/or make decisions after considering previous public comments and staff recommendations. No new public comment will be taken. However, the Board may choose to ask questions of the audience to clarify issues raised.

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