

Oregon Board of Forestry – Public Meeting

Oregon Department of Forestry - State Forester's Headquarters
2600 State Street – Building C – Tillamook Room, Salem, Oregon

Wednesday, March 9, 2016

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The matters under the Consent Agenda will be considered in one block. Any Board member may request removal of any item from the consent agenda. Items removed for separate discussion will be considered after approval of the consent agenda. Public comment will not be taken on consent agenda items.

Consent Agenda

- 9:00 - 9:01 A. **January 6, 2016 Meeting Minutes** State Forester Doug Decker
- 9:00 - 9:01 B. **Final 2015-17 Board Work Plans** Kevin Birch
- 9:00 - 9:01 C. **Regional Forest Practices Committee Appointments and Reappointments** Lena Tucker
- 9:00 - 9:01 D. **Forest Practice Annual Rule Review Meeting Report** Lena Tucker
- 9:00 - 9:01 E. **Emergency Fire Cost Committee Appointments and Reappointments** Tim Keith
- 9:00 - 9:01 F. **Approval of Agency Director Financial Transactions** Satish Upadhyay
- 9:00 - 9:01 G. **2017 Legislative Concept Update** Nancy Hirsch

Action and Information

- 9:01 - 9:30 1. **State Forester and Board Member Comments**
A. **Public Comments** [topics not on agenda – see over] Sign in at Entrance
- 9:30 - 9:45 2. **Firefighter Legal Defense Rulemaking** Charlie Stone
A brief presentation will be given on the content of proposed rules governing the processes to be followed when expenditures may be made to provide legal defense of an ODF firefighter charged with a crime as a result of actions taken fighting fire pursuant to ORS 477.128.
- 9:45 - 10:15 3. **Fire Program Review Update** Doug Grafe
Provides an update on the work of the Fire Program Review Committee and the path forward for the next few months.
- 10:15 - 10:30 **Morning Break**
- 10:30 - 11:15 4. **Federal Forest Health Program Update** Chad Davis
For a second consecutive biennium, the Legislature provided funds to increase the pace, scale, and quality of restoration on Oregon's federal forests. Department staff will provide an update of program implementation in the 2015-2017 biennium and engage the Board in a discussion about the future role of ODF in assisting the US Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management.
- 11:15 - 11:30 5. **Federal Forest Subcommittee Next Steps** Chad Davis & Nils Christoffersen
Review of past subcommittee work planning and consideration of future needs and actions.
- 11:30 - 12:00 6. **2015 Forest Practices Operator of the Year Award** Nick Hennemann & Peter Daugherty
This will be the Board of Forestry's presentation of the Forest Practices Regional Operator of the Year awards for 2015. The Operator Recognition program encourages protecting forest resources and values by recognizing operators who have excelled in effort, innovation, cooperation, consistency, and prevention to achieve or surpass the standards of forest resource protection.
- 12:00 - 1:00 **Lunch**
- 1:00 - 1:20 7. **Crescent Sanitary District Parcel Transfer – Gilchrist State Forest** Ed DeBlander & John Pellisier
Proposal to transfer a parcel of the Gilchrist to the Crescent Sanitary District to address sanitation needs of Crescent and to alleviate environmental issues in the Deschutes River.

- 1:20 - 1:40 **8. Elliott State Forest Update**..... Jim Paul, Department of State Lands
Update on the Department of State Lands protocol for transfer of the Elliott State Forest to new ownership and the Department of Forestry's involvement in the protocol.

- 1:40 - 1:55 **9. *State Forests Recreation Rulemaking**..... Justin Butteris
Summary of public comment and proposed changes to draft rules based on comment. Adoption of final recreation rules by the Board.

- 1:55 - 2:10 **Afternoon Break**

- 2:10 - 3:10 **10. Executive Session**..... Chair Imeson
The Board will meet in Executive Session for the purpose of conferring with legal counsel regarding the Board's rights and duties related to current litigation or litigation likely to be filed pursuant to ORS 192.660(2)(h).

- 3:10 - 3:40 **11. Forest Management Plan Revision Update**Liz Dent, Andy White, & Justin Butteris
Update on the revision of the Northwest Oregon Forest Management Plan planning effort.

Times listed on the agenda are approximate. At the discretion of the Chair, the time and order of agenda items 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. Public testimony/comment will not be accepted.

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PUBLIC TESTIMONY: The Board of Forestry places great value on information received from the public. The Board accepts both oral and written comments on agenda items except 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;
- Recognize that substance, not length, determines the value of testimony or written information;
- Endorse rather than repeat the testimony of others;
- Sign-in at the information table located near the entrance.

Written comments for public testimony provide a valuable reference and may be submitted before or during the meeting for consideration by the Board. Please bring 10 copies for distribution. Written comments received before or during the meeting will be distributed to the Board. Oral or written comments may be summarized and attached to the minutes.

The Board cannot accept testimony on a topic for which a public hearing has been held and the comment period has closed. If you wish to provide comments to the Board, you must sign-in on the sheet provided at the Information Table, located near the meeting room's entrance. (Note: All persons attending a board meeting are requested to sign in, whether or not they intend to provide comment.)

Three minutes will be allotted for each individual. Those wishing additional time for testimony should contact the Board Support office at 503-945-7210 at least three days prior to the meeting. The maximum amount of time for all public comments under this agenda item will be thirty minutes.

WORK SESSIONS: Certain agenda topics may be marked with an asterisk indicating a "Work Session" item. Work Sessions provide the Board opportunity to receive information and/or make decisions after considering previous public comment 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.

- During consideration of contested civil penalty cases, the Board will entertain oral argument only if Board members have questions relating to the information presented.
- Relating to the adoption of Oregon Administrative Rules: Under Oregon's Administrative Procedures Act, the Board can only consider those comments received by the established deadline as listed on the Notice of Rulemaking form. Additional input can only be accepted if the comment period is formally extended (ORS 183.335).

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