



Smoke Management Advisory Committee (SMAC) February 13, 2025, Meeting Summary

477.552 Policy. It is the policy of the State of Oregon:

(1) To improve the management of prescribed burning as a forest management and protection practice.

And

(2) To minimize emissions from prescribed burning consistent with the air quality objectives of the Federal Clean Air Act and the State of Oregon Clean Air Act Implementation Plan developed by the Department of Environmental Quality under ORS 468A.035 [1989 c. 920 S 2]

I. Agenda

Time	Agenda Item
9:00 – 9:15 a.m. (15 mins)	Welcome and Roll Call <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Welcome• Roll Call
9:15 – 9:35 a.m. (20 mins)	Committee Business <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Charter Finalization
9:35 – 10:15 a.m. (40 mins)	Committee & Agency Reports – <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Committee members• DEQ• ODF• OHA• EPA• Others
10:15 – 10:25 a.m. (10 mins)	Public Comment
10:25 – 10:40 a.m.	Break
10:40 – 11:40(60 min)	Smoke Management Unit CY24 Fund Overview & Discussion
11:40 – 12:40 p.m.	Lunch Break
12:40- 1:10 p.m. (30 mins)	Fall Burning Overview
1:10 – 1:45 p.m. (35 mins)	Rule Review Committee Discussion
1:45 -2:00 p.m. (15 mins)	Action Item Review/Next Meeting
2:00 p.m.	Adjourn

II. Participant Attendance List

Organization	SMAC Member	Attended	SMAC Alternate	Attended
SMAC Committee Member, Chair- Forest Service	Rick Graw	Absent	Trevor Miller	Virtual
SMAC Committee Member, Vice Chair- Non-Industrial	Scott Hanson	Virtual		
SMAC Committee Member, Industrial	Chad Washington	Virtual		
SMAC Committee Member, Public	Leslie Neu-Lamping	Virtual		
SMAC Committee Member, BLM	James Dickinson	Virtual		
ODF - Facilitator	Stacy McCarter	Virtual		
ODF			Shelby Berry	Virtual
ODF			Britny Hankins	Virtual
ODF			Levi Hopkins	Virtual
ODF			Pete Parsons	Virtual
ODF			Christina Clemons	Virtual
ODF			Gary Votaw	Virtual
ODF			Sherri Pugh	Virtual
ODF			Amanda Rau	Virtual
ODF			Michael Curran	Virtual
DEQ			Jennifer Horton	Virtual
OHA			Gabriela Goldfarb	Virtual
OHA			Carol Trenga	Virtual
EPA			Erin McTique	Virtual
Public			Randall Ruddick	Virtual
Public			Will Burge	Virtual
Public			Elkhorn Media	Virtual

III. Action Items

- **Committee Business-**
 - Scott Hanson presented the Charter and went over changes. Leslie Neu-Lamping moved to accept the changes. Committee members voted yay to approve charter changes. Charter will be finalized and uploaded to the Committee webpage.
 - Committee members voted for a new chair as Rick Graw will be retiring end of February. Chad Washington volunteered if no other committee members requested the role. Committee members all voted yay for Chad to become the new Chair, with Scott retaining the Vice Chair position. The Committee webpage will be updated to reflect these changes.
- **Committee & Agency Reports-**
 - Committee- James Dickinson, Trevor Miller and Scott Hanson all gave report outs.
 - DEQ- Jennifer Horton gave a report.
 - ODF- Levi Hopkins reported.
 - OHA- Gabriela Goldfarb and Carol Trenga Gave reports.
 - EPA- Erin McTique gave reports.
No other reports were given.
- **Fall Burning Overview-**
 - Christina Clemons gave a presentation, followed by Sherri Pugh
- **Public Comment-**

No public comments were made.
- **Smoke Management Unit FY24 Fund Overview and Discussion-**
 - Stacy McCarter presented. Discussion began over funding for Smoke Management. Chad Washington suggested that the Committee look to partner agencies to gain efficiencies. Chad also suggested that the committee do an analysis on cost saving measures that could be implemented as well as look for sources of revenue.
 - Implement a working sub-committee consisting of Leslie Neu-Lamping and Trevor Miller. Further discussion to follow.

Next Meeting to be held in late June/early July

Meeting adjourned at 12:00 pm.

IV. Meeting Chat

- 09:22:41 From Erin McTigue, EPA R10: Happy retirement to Rick!
- 09:34:46 From Carol Trenga, OHA: West Bend Prescribed Fire Pilot After Action Review: Executive Summary <https://scholarsbank.uoregon.edu/items/6095d729-82d3-46a7-a648-7baf1d562885>
- 09:34:54 From Erin McTigue, EPA R10: Reacted to "West Bend Prescribed..." with 👍
- 09:39:50 From Erin McTigue, EPA R10: Helpful report, thanks Carol
- 09:40:15 From Carol Trenga, OHA: Reacted to "Helpful report, than..." with 👍
- 09:50:46 From Erin McTigue, EPA R10: FYI - the Joint Statement of Intent to Cooperate on Rx Fire and Smoke Management I mentioned - https://www.fs.usda.gov/Internet/FSE_DOCUMENTS/fseprd1170668.pdf
- 09:51:18 From Gabriela Goldfarb, OR Health Authority (she/her) : Heading off, will rejoin later, thanks!
- 11:08:13 From Jennifer Horton: I have to jump to another meeting. Great discussion about the uncertainty of funding moving forward. It would be nice if funding for wildfire mitigation could support the program in some capacity in the future.
- 11:11:08 From Randall Ruddick - EPA R10: I too need to depart for another meeting.
- 11:22:23 From Carol Trenga, OHA: There were rules implemented in 2019 and then there was a pause in burning during COVID (2020)