

Federal Forest Advisory Committee: Ad Hoc Implementation Work Group

March 22, 2012 9:30 a.m. -12:00 p.m.

Market Center Building, Portland State University 1600 SW 4th St, Room 760B (7th Floor) *(See attached map)*

Convener: Brett Brownscombe, Natural Resources Policy Advisor, Governor's Office

DRAFT MEETING & WORK SESSION AGENDA

Welcome & Introductions, Agenda Review	5 minutes
Follow up on Tasks Identified in the "Framework for an FFAC Action Plan"	
 Funding Subcommittee Federal Forest Health Restoration: Economic Assessment RFP: Status & Discussion Matt Krumenauer, ODOE 	10 minutes
Planning Efficiencies Subcommittee (PLANES) o Peter Harkema, Oregon Solutions	5 minutes
Support for Collaboratives: Presentations & Discussion	
• Overview of Oregon Collaboratives and FFAC IWG engagement • 2012 FFAC IWG Calendar/Overview circulated with agenda. Pete Dalke and Julia Babcock, Oregon Solutions.	20 minutes
 Sustainable Northwest: Building Collaborative Conservation Capacity Maia Enzer, Sustainable Northwest 	40 minutes
 The Nature Conservancy & Collaboratives: Building Science Capacity Mark Stern, TNC 	15 minutes
 NFF: Community Capacity & Land Stewardship Grants: Recent Awards & Next Steps NFF press release circulated with the agenda. Tracy Beck, USFS. 	5 minutes
Work session:	
Discussion: Possible next steps for supporting collaboratives, building on their successes & expand landscape scale assessments	50 minutes

Next meeting and work session date: Thursday, May 3rd

- o Focused discussion regarding collaboratives' capacity, barriers & needs.
- Aligning and leveraging resources.
- o Identifying opportunities to consolidate service delivery.
- o Budget proposal.

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For those who will be calling in: Conference Call-in Number: 1 866 906-9888 Participant Code: 2840618

FFAC IWG Purpose & Vision Statement:

"The IWG is focused on supporting landscape-scale, active restoration of federal forest lands by identifying and removing barriers to restoration of forest and watershed health.

We will:

- 1. help collaboratives identify local forest health priorities, develop landscape-scale forest restoration plans, and find agreement for active management;
- 2. advocate for sustainable and predictable supply of biomass and merchantable timber, and
- 3. advocate for supportive state and federal policy.

These activities will restore forests, help sustain communities by creating jobs and maintaining forest-sector infrastructure, and enhance Oregon's energy independence. The IWG will initially focus on the dry, fire-prone forests found east of the Cascades and in the southern interior of Oregon."

The FFAC IWG adopted an "action plan framework" at the 3/31/11 work session. The framework identifies 6 broad categories for organizing and prioritizing possible tasks to address barriers identified by collaboratives, Federal agencies (*supply side-related*) and businesses needing biomass and merchantable material (*demand side-related*). These categories are A-F below and are presented in no particular order.

- A. Develop a Landscape Assessment Tool Kit
- B. Create a System to Facilitate and Reduce the Cost and Time for NEPA Analysis and ESA Consultation
- C. Provide Project Staffing Support to Federal Agencies
- D. Provide Support for Engaging with Local Collaboratives
- E. Identify Funding Sources
- F. Create a Subcommittee for Policy Issues

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Those participating in previous Ad Hoc Implementation Work Group meetings include:

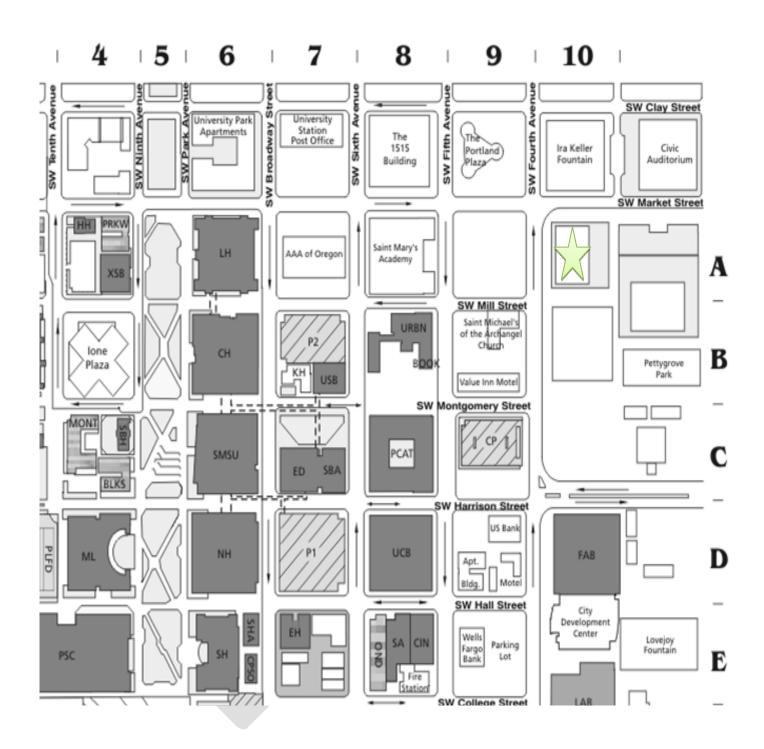
Signatories on the Declaration of Cooperation:

- Governor's Office
- Economic Revitalization Team
- Oregon Department of Forestry
- US Forest Service
- BLM
- Crag Law Center *
- Oregon Forest Resources Institute
- Sustainable NorthWest
- The Nature Conservancy *
- Oregon Business Council
- Association of Oregon Counties *
- Oregon Department of Fish & Wildlife
- Oregon Department of Environmental Quality
- PSU, Policy Consensus Center & Oregon Solutions

Others Participating:

- Coquille Indian Tribe *
- Local forest health collaborative representatives
- Defenders of Wildlife
- Office of US Senator Wyden
- Office of US Senator Merkley
- Office of US Rep Schrader
- US Fish and Wildlife
- US Environmental Protection Agency
- USDA Rural Development
- Pacific Rivers Council
- Ochoco Lumber
- American Forest Resources Council
- Oregon Business Association
- University of Oregon Ecosystem Workforce Program
- American Forest Resources Council
- Pacific Environmental Advocacy Center
- Oregon Department of Energy
- Oregon Restaurant & Lodging Assoc.
 - * Federal Forestlands Advisory Committee Members





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