

# **Federal Forest Advisory Committee: Ad Hoc Implementation Work Group**

## August 2, 2012 1:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. PSU Urban Center, Meyer Memorial Room 710 506 SW Mill St, Portland

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

## **DRAFT MEETING & WORK SESSION AGENDA**

Welcome & Introductions, Agenda Review	1:00 p.m.
National Forest Health Restoration Economic Assessment - Status  O Matt Krumenauer, ODOE	1:10 p.m.
Budget Proposal – Support for local collaboratives  • Review of draft  • Funding Subcommittee members	1:20 p.m.
BLM / O & C Lands: Planning Process, Cooperating Agency status, Next Steps o BLM - Mark Brown, Governor's Office	1:50 p.m.
<ul> <li>Collaborative Forest Landscape Restoration Program - Work session</li> <li>Deschutes National Forest - Deschutes Collaborative Partnership         <ul> <li>Phil Chang, Pete Caliguiri</li> </ul> </li> <li>Malheur National Forest-Southern Blues Restoration Partnership         <ul> <li>Patrick Shannon, Teresa Raaf, Curt Qual</li> </ul> </li> <li>Fremont-Winema NF-Lakeview Stewardship Group         <ul> <li>Jim Walls</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	2:10 p.m.
Summary of Action Items	3:40 p.m.
<ul> <li>Updates</li> <li>FFAC IWG calendar</li> <li>National Forest Foundation Community Capacity &amp; Land Stewardship grants</li> <li>Collaboratives Inventory</li> <li>Next Meeting Agenda topics</li> </ul>	3:45 p.m.
Adjourn	4:00 p.m.

## **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."

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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

The action plan framework and additional information about the FFAC IWG is online at: http://orsolutions.org/osproject/federal-forestlands

For more information contact: National Policy Consensus Center (503) 725-9077



## 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
- US DOI Bureau of Land Management
- 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
- Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board
- US Fish and Wildlife Service
- 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
- Western Environmental Law Center
- Oregon Department of Energy
- Oregon Restaurant & Lodging Association
- National Forest Foundation
- USDA Natural Resource Conservation Service



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