

Federal Forest Advisory Committee: Ad Hoc Implementation Work Group

October 10 2013 9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Conference Call Conference Call-in Number: 1 866 906-9888 Participant Code: 2840618

Purpose: To discuss drafts of OWEB's forest collaborative capacity small grant solicitation materials, the anticipated process and timelines.

AGENDA

- 9:00 Welcome & Introductions of those on the call
- 9:05 Implementing the dry-side forest health budget

Forest collaboratives - small grant program

- Draft OWEB grant solicitation materials and process (Greg Sieglitz, OWEB).
- Discussion.
- 10:25 Summary of Timeline and Next Steps
- 10:30 Adjourn

2013-14 ROLLING CALENDAR

<u>10/17/13</u>	Review of the Forest health collaborative capacity grant solicitation process. Comments due to OWEB by c.o.b.
11/4/13	OWEB Board Special Meeting – forest health collaborative grant application process.
11/8/13	FFAC IWG meeting – tentative. Location TBD.
11/7/2013	OWEB opens solicitation for collaborative capacity grants (tentative)
11/14/13	Board of Forestry meeting at ODF, Salem Headquarters. The previously scheduled FFAC- IWG meeting has been moved to (11/8/13).
11/27/13	Small collaborative grant applications due to OWEB (tentative)
12/4-5/13	MANAGING EASTSIDE MOIST MIXED-CONIFER FORESTS. Science-Policy workshop. Pendleton area.
12/2013	Review team meets – Forest health collaborative capacity grant applications.

12/19/13	FFAC IWG meeting – Meyer Conference Room, PSU.
<u>1/2014</u>	OWEB Board meeting – Approval of initial round of forest health collaborative capacity grants.
2/ 2014	ODF is directed to report to the Legislature in February 2014 on specific plans, expected outcomes, progress, and the amount of federal funding and support provided to the collaboratives.

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."

Additional information about the FFAC IWG is online at: <u>http://orsolutions.org/osproject/federal-forestlands</u>

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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