

Federal Forest Advisory Committee: Ad Hoc Implementation Work Group

December 19 2013 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

Conference Call

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Purpose: <u>To continue discussions about implementing the dry National Forest program and in particular the ODF science and technical assistance contracting status, the anticipated process and timelines.</u>

AGENDA

- 9:00 Welcome & Introductions of those on the call
- 9:05 Moist Mixed Conifer Science/Policy Workshop: Report back & next steps (Steve Greenwood, National Policy Consensus Center if available)
- 9:15 Implementing the dry-side forest health budget

Technical and Science support. Contracting. (*Chad Davis, ODF*).

- Process, timeline.
- Discussion.

Status updates: Collaborative support grants, new business model.

9:50 Other updates

• Next meeting: 1/20/2014

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10:00 Adjourn

2013-14 ROLLING CALENDAR

12/2013 Collaborative Grant Review team meets – Forest health collaborative capacity grant applications.

12/19/13 FFAC IWG meeting – conference call

1/28-29/2014 OWEB Board meeting in Portland – Approval of initial round of forest health collaborative capacity grants.

1/30/14 FFAC IWG meeting – PSU, Meyer Conference Room

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: 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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