



## Federal Forest Working Group

Thursday, April 7 2016  
1:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Meyer Conference Room, PSU Urban Center  
7<sup>th</sup> Floor, 506 SW Mill Street  
Portland, OR 97201

*Map link and Parking info:*  
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**Conference Call-in Number: 1 888 585 9008**  
**Participant ('Room') Code: 322 674 124**

*Work Session Purpose includes: discussion of implementation approaches for the Oregon Good Neighbor Authority agreement with the USFS Region 6, and discussion of results from the recent survey of forest collaborative participants in western Oregon.*

### AGENDA

1:00 Welcome & Agenda Overview  

- Brett Brownscombe, Governor's Natural Resources Office, Convener

1:05 Introductions (including those on the phone)

### Update Items

1:10 Report back on FFWG Work Plan discussion at the 3/11/16 work session

1:25 Update on Accelerated Restoration in the Blue Mountains  

- Lower Joseph Project: Consultation and Record of Decision
- Forest Resiliency Project
  - Bill Aney, Accelerated Restoration Coordinator, USFS

### FFWG Work Session

1:30 Proposed change to the FFWG Purpose & Vision Statement (Attachment A)  

- Brett Brownscombe, Governor's Natural Resources Office, Convener

1:45 Presentation of Survey Results from "wet-side" forest collaborative participants, identified needs & barriers.  
Discussion. Implications for Federal Forest Health Program implementation.  

- Dr. Emily Jane Davis and Donald Ulrich, OSU Forestry Extension. Collaborative members (invited).

2:45 Good Neighbor Authority – the Oregon-Region 6 agreement  
Discussion of implementation approaches for the Good Neighbor Authority agreement between the USFS Region 6 and the Governor, ODF and ODFW. Identification of potential roles for forest collaboratives.  

- Meg Mitchell, USFS; Brett Brownscombe, GNRO; Chad Davis, ODF; Rod Kraemer, ODFW.

3:30 Federal Forest Health 2017-19 budget development principles  
• Chad Davis, FFH program manager

3:45 Summary of Next Steps

4:00 Adjourn

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**2016 FFWG Work Session Dates, Times and Locations\***

Thursday, June 16	1-4 p.m.	Portland. PSU, Meyer Conference Room. Work session: Federal Forest dashboard development. FFH 2017-19 Agency requested budget.
Thursday, Sept 15	1-4 p.m.	Possible eastside location.
Thursday, Nov 3	1-4 p.m.	Portland.
Thursday, Dec 15	1-4 p.m.	Portland.

**\* Tentative – subject to emerging dates for 2016 Legislative Days, Board of Forestry meeting dates, statewide forest collaborative gatherings, etc.**

# ATTACHMENT A.

## 4/7/2016 FFWG Work Session

Proposed edit for the FFWG Purpose and Vision Statement

### Overview

Since 2008, the purpose of the FFWG (formerly the FFAC Implementation Working Group) has been to pursue implementation of the Board of Forestry's recommendations on how to accomplish more management on federal lands in partnership with the state. These recommendations appear in the Board's report, "Achieving Oregon's Vision for Federal Forestlands", January 2009. Beginning with the 2015-17 biennium, the intent of the Legislature and the Oregon Department of Forestry is to expand the implementation efforts statewide.

### *Purpose and Vision Statement (working version), September 2015:*

"The purposes of the FFWG are to:

- ~~Advance collaboratively driven landscape scale, active restoration of federal forest lands throughout Oregon;~~

### Proposed change concept (April 2016):

- Advocate for collaboration as a means to addressing conflict and solutions related to challenging public land management issues;
- In so doing, advance collaboratively driven landscape-scale, active restoration of federal forest lands throughout Oregon in a manner that contributes to the health of associated communities, economies and ecological functions;
- Identify and remove policy and financial barriers; and
- Promote innovative solutions to restoration of forest and watershed health.

We will:

- Provide a forum for collaborative groups, federal and state agencies, counties, tribes, and interest groups to raise and solve barriers to accelerated restoration on federal lands (Forest Service and BLM);
- Support and contribute to maintaining and growing our innovative Federal-State Partnership that demonstrates new governance structures and ways of doing business together;
- Discuss and foster implementation of new and emerging governance structures that provide for meaningful involvement of community and collaborative leadership, including identifying the resources and conditions necessary to implement these collaborative structures;
- Articulate the need for a consistent supply of timber offered through restoration and forest management that is collaboratively supported; and,
- Work together to identify and secure increased, consistent, and/or diverse funding of collaborative approaches and implementation of landscape scale restoration projects.

These activities will restore forests, help sustain communities by creating jobs and maintaining forest-sector infrastructure, and enhance Oregon's energy independence."