



## Federal Forest Working Group

**Thursday, January 19 2017**

**1:00 – 3:30 p.m.**

**Location:**

**DEQ Headquarters, 700 Lloyd Building  
3<sup>rd</sup> floor conference room**

**700 NE Multnomah Street  
Portland, OR 97232**

**Map link (A separate map with parking info is included below following the agenda):**

<https://goo.gl/maps/53otdj2p6L82>

**Conference Call-in Number: 1 888 585 9008**

**Participant ('Room') Code: 322 674 124**

***Work Session Purpose includes:*** Review and discussion of the upcoming WGA Forest and Rangeland Initiative workshop; 2017 Legislature preview of issues, bills related to the FFWG including the Federal Forest Restoration Program Governor's Recommended Budget.

### **Agenda**

1:00 Welcome & Agenda Overview

- Jason Miner, Governor's Natural Resources Office, Convener

1:05 Introductions (including those on the phone)

### **FFWG Work Session**

1:10 Western Governors Association: Forest and Rangeland Initiative workshop. *Attachment A.*  
The two-day workshop (January 23-24) organized by WGA will feature local, state and federal experts discussing best practices and policy issues that will help Western Governors recommend congressional efforts to improve forest and rangeland management in the West. *Discussion. Possible avenues for follow-up after the workshop.*

- Jason Miner, Governor's Natural Resources Policy Director

1:40 2017 Legislature Preview

- Dylan Kruse, Sustainable Northwest; Gil Riddell, AOC; Lindsay Warness, Boise Cascade (invited).  
*Discussion.*

The Governor's Recommended Budget is online at [http://www.oregon.gov/das/Financial/Documents/2017-19\\_gb.pdf](http://www.oregon.gov/das/Financial/Documents/2017-19_gb.pdf) The Natural Resources Program Area budget starts on page 139; ODF budget begins on page 159.

2:30 Winter weather: State of emergency conditions; real and possible impacts to natural resources.  
Roundtable discussion of current conditions.

- Jason Miner, Governor's Natural Resources Policy Director

2:45 FFWG Work Plan Implementation

- 3/9/2017 FFWG Work Session
  - Smoke management barriers *Attachment B.*
    - *Are these being effectively addressed by ODF/DEQ? Is there a role for FFWG to help address barriers? Discussion of the role of the Smoke Management Advisory Committee (SMAC), membership, and framing questions related to the upcoming Smoke Management Program review. Doug Grafe, ODF. David Collier, DEQ (invited).*
  - USFS R6 Westside Restoration: a peer learning workshop.
    - *Discussion of agenda and planning for workshop set for May 9 – 11. Cheryl Ann Friesen, Science Liaison, Willamette National Forest.*
- Suggested work sessions to 6/30/2017:
  - Sustainability of Place-based Collaboration in Oregon’s Landscapes
    - Development of web-based resources in support of community collaboration efforts. *Scope, FFWG engagement and resources needed.*
    - [“The Forest Service and Communities: The Relationships between land and people”](#). *New joint project report from U of O Ecosystem Workforce Program and the USFS.*
  - Oregon’s State/Federal Model of Partnership (FFRP/GNA etc.)
    - GNA implementation; lessons learned.
    - Long-term strategic direction and desired outcomes for the Oregon Model.
  - Other Suggestions?

3:15 Calendar FFWG work sessions to 6/30/17

- Confirm dates and location to be Salem (*see dates at the bottom of the agenda*).
- Work session topic suggestions.
  - March – FFRP; Smoke management with ODF and DEQ.
  - May – FFRP; \_\_\_\_\_
  - June – FFRP; \_\_\_\_\_

3:30 Adjourn

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**2017 FFWG Work Session Dates, Times and Locations\* Proposed**

Thursday, March 9	1-4 p.m.	Salem.
Thursday, May 4	1-4 p.m.	Salem.
Thursday, June 15	1-4 p.m.	Salem.

\* Subject to emerging dates for 2017 Legislature calendar, Board of Forestry meeting dates, statewide forest collaborative gatherings, etc.

Lloyd District Parking Options & Posted (Hourly/Daily) Rates (Approx)





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# National Forest and Rangeland Management

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## **DRAFT MEETING AGENDA**

**Oregon Workshop**

*Riverhouse on the Deschutes | Bend, Oregon*

*January 23-24, 2017*

<b>Monday, January 23 DRAFT</b>	
11:30 am	<b>Lunch served</b>
11:45 am	<b>Welcome</b> <i>James D. Ogsbury, Executive Director, Western Governors' Association</i>
11:55 am	<b>Introductory Remarks</b> <i>Governor Kate Brown, Oregon</i>
12:15 pm	<b>Keynote Remarks</b> <i>Leslie Weldon, Deputy Chief, US Forest Service</i>
12:45 pm	<b>Roundtable I – Oregon Roundup: Setting the Stage for the Conversation</b> <i>Moderator: Jason Miner, Governor Brown's Natural Resource Policy Manager</i>

1:30 pm	<b>Roundtable II – Increasing Resilience for Communities and the Environment: Dealing With Legacy Effects and Adapting To a Changing Climate</b> <i>Moderator: Cassandra Moseley, University of Oregon</i>
2:30 pm	<b>Break</b>
2:45 pm	<b>Roundtable III – Getting More Out of Collaboration</b> <i>Moderator: Brett Brownscombe, National Policy Consensus Center</i>
4:15 pm	<b>Roundtable IV – Changing Agency Culture</b> <i>Moderator: Jim Pena, Regional Forester, US Forest Service</i>
5:15 pm	<b>Day 1 Reflections</b> <i>Jason Miner, Governor Brown’s Natural Resource Policy Manager</i>
5:30 pm	<b>Reception</b>
<b>Tuesday, January 24 DRAFT</b>	
7:45 am	<b>Breakfast served</b>
8:00 am	<b>Welcome Back</b> <i>Peter Daugherty, Oregon State Forester</i>
8:15 am	<b>Roundtable V – Supporting and Diversifying Rural Economies</b> <i>Moderator: Tom Insko, Eastern Oregon University</i>
9:45 am	<b>Case Studies – Implementing an All-Hands, All-Lands Approach</b> <i>Moderator: Karen Hardigg, Rural Voices for Conservation Coalition</i>
11:15 am	<b>Distilling Priorities</b> <i>Jason Miner, Governor Brown’s Natural Resource Policy Manager</i>
12:00 pm	<b>Next Steps and Final Thoughts</b> <i>Troy Timmons, WGA</i>
12:15 pm	<b>Adjourn</b>

## Attachment B.

### Background for 3/9/2017 Work Session: Smoke Management in Oregon

**Issue:** In 2017-18 the State of Oregon (acting through its Department of Forestry and Department of Environmental Quality) will review the state's Smoke Management Plan for potential revisions. This policy and any potential technical changes to it will be explored in many different formal and informal venues across the State in the next biennium. This policy is an important topic across Oregon, since both natural and prescribed fire are important restoration and land management tools, and the intersection with public health resulting from smoke intrusions. Many plant communities in Oregon depend on fire to various degrees to maintain ecological processes. Many communities social and economic livelihood and health depends on influencing where practicable the amount, type and timing of fire and smoke emissions in balance with restoration objectives.

**Potential Role of the FFWG:** The representation of the FFWG provides a unique and important venue for disseminating timely and accurate information about the State's policy review process to stakeholders and constituents that may not be engaged via the formal revision process conducted by the Department of Forestry. On other policy matters, the FFWG has been a good venue for testing ideas to improve the effectiveness of public and community engagement in state-wide review efforts. The FFWG may be most helpful in identifying social, cultural or administrative implementation barriers that may also be influencing perceived effectiveness of formal policies. For example, the FFWG may be helpful in working together to document and validate the scale and need for the use of fire and identifying various ways of working within communities of place and interest to meet this need.

References include:

- <http://www.oregon.gov/ODF/Board/Pages/SMAC.aspx>
- <http://www.oregon.gov/ODF/Fire/pages/Burn.aspx>
- <http://www.deq.state.or.us/aq/burning/wildfires/index.htm>
- [https://catalog.extension.oregonstate.edu/sites/catalog/files/project/pdf/em9114\\_1.pdf](https://catalog.extension.oregonstate.edu/sites/catalog/files/project/pdf/em9114_1.pdf)

## FFWG Overview & Vision Fall 2016

*The FFWG is an advocate for community based collaborative approaches to complex public land management issues to reduce conflict and identify innovative solutions. We strive to contribute to (rural) community well-being, economic vitality, and improved ecological resilience by advancing active landscape-scale restoration of federal forest lands throughout Oregon.*

*The purposes of the FFWG include:*

- *Advance collaboratively driven landscape-scale, active restoration of federal forest lands throughout Oregon;*
- *Foster and expand the use of collaborative problem solving at the community level and cumulatively at the State level;*
- *Enable research and development to identify successful approaches to community based collaborative processes;*
- *Identify policy and financial barriers to federal forest management; and*
- *Promote innovative solutions to restoration of forest and watershed health.*

*We will:*

- *Provide a forum for community based dialogue across collaborative groups and involving diverse stakeholders including 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.*