# Cooperative Monitoring Evaluation and Research Committee October 28, 2008 DNR/DOC Conference Room Draft Notes

**Attendees Representing** 

Hitchaccs	Representing
*Almond, Lyle (v)	Makah Tribe, RSAG Co-Chair
Black, Jenelle	CMER Staff
Cramer, Darin	DNR, Adaptive Management Administrator
*Dieu, Julie	Rayonier
*Ehinger, Bill	DOE
Heckel, Linda	DNR, CMER Coordinator
*Hicks, Mark	DOE
*Jackson, Terry	WDFW, CMER Co-Chair
*Martin, Doug	WFPA Contractor
*Mendoza, Chris	Conservation Caucus Contractor, CMER Co-Chair
*Miller, Dick	WFFA
*Mobbs, Mark	Quinault Indian Nation
Roorbach, Ash	CMER Staff
Schuett-Hames, Dave	CMER Staff
*Sturhan, Nancy	NWIFC
*Veldhuisen, Curt (v)	Skagit River Systems Cooperative

<sup>\*</sup> indicates official CMER members and alternates

Steve McConnell, UCUT, was unable to participate in the meeting due to technical issues with the phone in the meeting room.

# Agenda Review - Jackson

Terry asked for any changes, additions or deletions to the agenda. September notes were approved as written. Linda will get these loaded onto the website.

# Science Session: Wood Recruitment Literature Review – Jackson

This month's Science Session was a continuation of the large woody debris literature discussion from last month. The literature reviewed and discussed included:

- <u>Buffering the Buffer</u>; Reid and Hilton (1998)
- <u>Post-Harvest Riparian Buffer Response: Implications for Wood Recruitment Modeling</u> and Buffer Design; Liquori (2006)
- Stand Mortality in Buffer Strips and the Supply of Woody Debris to Streams in Southeast Alaska; Martin and Grotefendt (2007)

v indicates attended via video-conferencing; ph indicates attended via phone

• <u>Streamside Buffers and Large Woody Debris Recruitment: Evaluating the Effectiveness of Watershed Analysis Prescriptions in the North Cascades Region;</u> Grizzel, McGowan, Smith, and Beechie (2000)

Dave Schuett-Hames provided handouts and gave an update on Type N BCIF findings.

Terry asked for additional ideas for a December Science Session. Ideas provided were:

- Presentation about Net Map Lee Benda
- Forestry Extension in British Columbia brochure and presentation on adaptive management
- More stream function literature reviews
- Lidar presentation, and
- PNW Station reports on 10 year assessment of the NW Plan

It was decided to continue on with the riparian/stream function literature review with shade and stream temperature literature. Doug will work with Curt to get the list of literature to Linda.

# SAG Requests - Jackson

No SAG requests this month.

# September Policy Meeting Update- Jackson and Cramer

Terry and Darin gave a brief update of what occurred at the last Policy meeting. There weren't any items that Policy had to take any action on, just updates from CMER. There was confirmation from Policy that CMER needs to send all CMER funded, final reports to ISPR, from this point on and not retroactive. CMER also has to come to agreement of what constitutes a CMER funded, final report. Policy requested that the desktop analysis go to ISPR. However because the desktop analysis report is part of a bigger package of reports, CMER is going to ask Policy (at the November meeting) whether the complete package should go to ISPR, rather than the single report. Policy approved the adaptive management strategic plan and Darin will present to the Board. Linda will send out the plan to CMER.

# **ISPR Update – Cramer**

Nothing new or active to report on this month.

# **SAG Items – Jackson**

RSAG - Lyle gave an update on the Windthrow Assessment request. The group was not in consensus on the timing of when the windthrow data would be most useful, but the group decided that the information could be useful. It might be better to do this study at a later date, possibly when there is a more well-defined plan on how the data might be used to assist in scoping the Westside Type F Effectiveness Study. CMER will report to Policy at its November meeting as a non-consensus decision from RSAG on whether or not to move forward with this study at this time.

Work Allocation – Nancy reported on the work allocation/CMER capacity study. She asked for additional input from the SAGs. CMER mentioned it might be good to include a list on the

CMER Capacity Table of the current, active and future projects when presented to Policy. Nancy will make changes and then present to Policy at their November meeting.

Next month's agenda will include: Discussion of "Interim Reports" and Comment Matrix" and the old TFW reports not found on the DNR Website.

### **Recruitment – Cramer**

We have contracts for the technical editor and statistician. As SAGs come up with a need, write up a mini scope of work and work with Dawn/Darin to get the list of duties and cost and then execute the contract.

# 2009 Science Conference Update - Linda

Linda presented a draft flyer and a presentation guidance list for comments. She will send the flyer to several groups that had expressed an interest in the conference the previous years. If anyone has anyone they feel should get the "save the date" flyer, they are asked to send the email address to Linda.

SAG co-chairs need to send their topics and speaker lists to Linda ASAP. She has received no information to date.

#### **CMER Report to Policy - Darin**

Items going to the next Policy meeting:

- Update on Science Session discussion
- CMER needs a policy decision on whether or not to send only the desktop analysis with its appendices to ISPR, or to send the other components of the package as well.
- RSAG Windthrow Assessment decision, and
- Nancy present the Work Allocation information

**Future Meetings** 

CMER 2008 Regular Meetings: November 18 DNR/DOC Compound, and December 16 DNR/DOC Compound