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TO: Forest Practices Board 
FROM: Marc Engel, Senior Policy Planner, Forest Practices
SUBJECT: Staff Recommended Amendments to 2021 Work Plan

Attached for consideration at your 12th May meeting, are staff recommended additions for your 2021 Work Plan.

The changes include a starting date of July 1st, based on legislative funding, for DNR to convene stakeholders for amendments to Board Manual Section 12 *Application of Forest Chemicals*, and a change in the completion dates for staff reports for those which only require periodic reports to the Board.

Most of the changes reflect new requirements from the Legislature for the preparation of seven reports that must be presented to the Legislature during the FY 2022-23 biennium. These include three reports in calendar year (CY) 2021 and four in CY 2022 (see attached Work Plan for details).

I'll be available at the May 12th meeting to review and discuss proposed changes to the work plan. Should you have questions before then, please feel free to contact me at 360-628-1107 or marc.engel@dnr.wa.gov.

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**FOREST PRACTICES BOARD
2021 WORK PLAN**

2021 Meeting Dates: February 10 / May 12 / August 11 / November 10

TASK	STATUS	COMPLETION DATE (CY 2021 unless noted)
Adaptive Management Program		
• CMER Master Project Schedule *		May
• Wetland Intrinsic Potential Tool Phase 2		August
• Eastside Modeling Evaluation Project		November
• Small Forest Landowner Western Washington Low Impact Template TFW Policy Recommendations*		May
• State Auditor Performance Audit Report	Completed	February
• Westside Type F Riparian Prescription Monitoring Pilot project		November
• Type N Experimental Buffer Treatment in Hard Rock Lithology		November
• Type Np Prescriptions Workgroup*	On-going	2022
• Water Typing Study	On-going	TBD (Refer to memo)
Annual and Legislative Reports		
WAC 222-08-160 Continuing review of FP rules (Annual Evaluations), <i>by tradition the Board has received an annual evaluation of the implementation of cultural resources protections</i>		TBD
• Northern Spotted Owl Conservation Advisory Group		November
• TFW Policy Committee Priorities*		November
• Western Gray Squirrel		August
• Taylor's Checkerspot Butterfly (every 2 years)		August
• <i>Legislative Report on Progress Addressing Board Projects, including Recommendations made by the State Auditor's Office Report on the Adaptive Management Program</i>	<i>In progress</i>	<i>November (Due December 1st)</i>
• <i>Legislative Report on Progress Developing a Programmatic NSO Safe Harbor Agreement</i>	<i>Begin In July</i>	<i>November (December 15th)</i>
• <i>Legislative Report with Recommendations for how the Forest Products Industry May Help Cover the Cost for the New Forest Practices On-Line Application System. (fpOnline)</i>	<i>In progress</i>	<i>Due by December 1st</i>
Board Manual Development		
• Section 12 Application of Forest Chemicals	<i>Begin July</i>	<i>February 2022</i>
• Section 23 (Part 1) Field Protocol to Locate Mapped Divisions Between Stream Types*	On-going	2022
CMER Membership		
Compliance Monitoring 2020 Annual Report	In progress	November
Critical Habitat - State/federal species listings and critical habitat designations		As needed
Field Tour		On hold

Italics = proposed changes
 *= TFW Policy Committee

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Rule Making		
• Water Typing System	On-going	2022
• Rule Clarifications	Completed	February
• Type Np Buffer Rulemaking	CR-101- May	2022
Committee Recommendations on Water Typing System Rule	On-going	2022
NSO Recommendations	Ongoing	
Quarterly Reports		
• Adaptive Management Program*		Each regular meeting
• Board Manual Development		<i>As needed</i>
• Clean Water Act Assurances		May
• Compliance Monitoring		<i>As needed</i>
• Legislative Activity		February & May
• NSO Implementation Team		<i>As needed</i>
• Rule Making Activities		<i>As needed</i>
• Small Forest Landowner Advisory Committee & Office		Each regular meeting
• TFW Cultural Resources Roundtable		To be determined
• TFW Policy Committee Work Plan Accomplishments & Priorities*		Each regular meeting
• Np Work Group Update		Each regular meeting
• Upland Wildlife Working Group		Each regular meeting
• Work Planning for 2022		November

Work Currently Under Staff Development that Will be on the CY 2022 Work Plan

<i>Legislative Report on Progress Addressing Board Projects, including Recommendations made by the State Auditor's Office Report on the Adaptive Management Program</i>	<i>Due December 1, 2022</i>
<i>Legislative Report on Progress Developing a Programmatic NSO Safe Harbor Agreement</i>	<i>Due October 21, 2022</i>
<i>Legislative Report on Rule Making Progress for Water Typing and Type N</i>	<i>Due June 30 2022</i>
<i>Legislative Report from Small Forest Landowner Work Group on Recommendations for incentives and payment structures to support small forest landowners entering carbon credit market</i>	<i>Due by December 1, 2022</i>