T/F/W Cultural Resources Committee Meeting March 15, 2011

Host: Department of Archaeology and Historic Preservation Olympia, WA

Attendees:

Jeffrey Thomas, Co-Chair	Puyallup Tribe
Pete Heide, Co-Chair (on phone)	Washington Forest Protection Association
David Powell	Yakama Nation
Stephenie Kramer	Dept. of Archaeology and Historic Preservation (DAHP)
Sherri Felix	Dept. of Natural Resources - Regulatory
Lee Stilson	Dept. of Natural Resources - Lands

NOTES

- 1. <u>Introductions</u>. Everyone said hello to Pete so he knew who was present.
- 2. <u>Agenda.</u> Jeff Thomas provided an agenda prior to the meeting: Introductions, agenda review, approve February meeting Notes, Co-Chair remarks, Action Item list, WAC 222-20-120, Finalize Charter, Guidance documents, next meeting's agenda items. Lee Stilson asked that damage to the historic Polson RR camp be added to the agenda. It was added to the agenda after the Charter discussion.
- 3. <u>Meeting Notes February 15, 2011</u>. The February meeting Notes were approved with clarifying edits from Sherri.
- 4. <u>Co-Chair Remarks.</u> Pete said he was happy that we are making progress on guidance documents and tools. He would like WFPA members to take the class taught by Gordon James. So far WFPA members have been unable to register. He was told only state employees could register. Pete will check with the Governor's Office of Indian Affairs about registration. Jeff said he is concerned that there is still no member from WFFA on our committee. It is important that a representative from WFFA at least track the TFW CRC work. On their web site no one is listed for cultural resources. The Small Forest Landowner Advisory Group may change their focus to education for small forest landowner needs. This is an opportunity to include cultural resources information.
- 5. Action Item List. Pete sent out the Action Item List and DAHP provided copies for everyone. All of the edits suggested at the February meeting had been made. We have a section title for "on-going tasks" and "completed items". We need a title for the active items. The "completed items" should be numbered chronologically as they were completed. Some typos were found and pointed out to Pete. David and Lee said they never get the electronic lists from Pete.
- 6. WAC 222-20-120. Sherri Felix provided copies of the WAC as agreed to at the February meeting. No one had heard any objections from any stakeholders. A copy will be sent out with the Notes. Pete drafted a background document for how the revisions address the concerns that were brought to the committee to present to the Forest Practices Board. DNR is proposing that rule language for WAC 222-30-021 concerning riparian management zones be revised at the same time. This revision should have been part of the 2008 Historic Sites rule making and will reflect the same language already adopted elsewhere in the rules concerning archaeological and historic sites. There was some discussion about why those

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- kinds of sites are not addressed in all of the riparian management zones. We agreed to go forward with DNR's proposal.
- 7. Forest Practices Board Meeting Procedure. WAC 222-20-120 will be an agenda item for the May Board meeting with Sherri, Pete and Jeff listed for the topic. Sherri, as a staff member, will ask for "approval" to move the WAC language to the next step. Sherri will provide a cover memo with the request. Pete and Jeff will give the background. The proposed language will be attached to Sherri's request. There will be an independent memo with the Action Item List for the committee's regular quarterly report.
- 8. <u>Charter.</u> Sherri brought copies of the Charter that the Commissioner has accepted. We made some minor edits and it is ready to submit to the Forest Practices Board. A copy is attached. It will also be an agenda item for the May Board meeting so, Jeff and Pete will provide a cover memo and request Board approval at the meeting.
- 9. <u>Historic Polson RR Camp damage</u>. Lee Stilson discovered that historic Polson Railroad Camp was disturbed during logging by Rayonier Inc. He brought the information to our meeting since when such an obvious archaeological site gets damaged there is a problem with the process that is supposed to protect cultural resources. The RR Camp is identified on USGS maps as a "site". There are large obvious features of the camp that were damaged. There is a museum dedicated to the historic camp. However, the site has never been recorded with DAHP. We should make this a case study to help identify a solution to the problem with the process. DAHP needs to write Rayonier to discuss the damaged site. We looked at the instructions for question #7 of the FPA and there is no information about historic sites. A process needs to be developed that would encourage consultation of historic maps when planning and permitting a timber harvest. This fits with the guidance documents and other tools we are working on.
- 10. <u>Guidance Documents.</u> We ran out of time and did not discuss the specific guidance documents we are working on. Everyone should look for grants that could help pay for developing guidance documents.
- 11. Next Meeting. April 19, 2011 at DAHP in Olympia from 9 a.m. 2 p.m. Jeff will send out an agenda about a week before the meeting. Agenda items: 1) Introductions 2) Approve agenda, 3) Approve Notes for March, 4) Co-chair remarks, 5) Action Item List, 6) Guidance Documents, 7) Camp Polson and 8) Yakama Nation concerns about the National Historic Preservation Act responsibilities associated with the Forest Practices HCP. Scheduled meetings through 2011: 4/19, 5/17, 6/21, 7/19, 8/16, 9/20, 10/18, 11/15, and 12/20.