

**T/F/W Cultural Resources Committee Meeting
April 19, 2011**

**Host: Department of Archaeology and Historic Preservation
Olympia, WA**

Attendees:

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

NOTES

1. Introductions. Everyone knew each other.
2. Agenda. Jeff Thomas provided an agenda prior to the meeting: Introductions, agenda review, approve March meeting Notes, Co-Chair remarks, Action Item list, Forest Practices Board Meeting, Guidance documents, Camp Polson issues, Yakama Nation concerns with Forest Practices HCP, next meeting's agenda items.
3. Meeting Notes – March 15, 2011. The March meeting Notes were approved with clarifying edits from Sherri.
4. Co-Chair Remarks. Jeff said he is glad that we are where we are: making progress on the guidance documents and presenting the Charter to the Forest Practices Board. We need to get a cover memo written for the quarterly report. Jeff drafted a memo for presenting the Charter to the Forest Practices Board. Everyone agreed to the language in the memo.
5. Action Item List. Pete provided copies of the Action Item list for everyone. Some typos were found and pointed out to Pete.
6. Forest Practices Board Meeting. The Action Item List will be provided with a cover memo for the committee's regular quarterly staff report. The Charter will be presented for the Board's consideration. WAC 222-20-120 is an agenda item for the May Board meeting. 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.
7. Guidance Documents. We decided to title the guidance documents "Cultural Resources Considerations and Forest Practices Tips and Tools". The idea is to put these documents on the web site. We created an outline with the different topics, pasted in the draft documents when there was one and listed who is working on it. There are ten topics. 1. "What is a Cultural Resource?" compiled from general info from Forest Practices Illustrated and the CRPMP (Jeffrey). 2. "General Information about Cultural Resources and Your Forest Practices Application" has a draft (Stephenie and Gretchen). 3. "Types of sites commonly found in the forests" (David and Lee). 4. "Landowner-Tribal meeting – What to expect under WAC 222-20-120" has a draft (David, Pete and Stephenie). 5. "Summary of Rules and Statutes & class IVs: Sites and Objects" (Pete). 6. "WAC 222-20-120 Meeting documentation" (Sherri and David). 7. "Tips for Completing a Successful Site Protection Plan" has a draft (Stephenie). 8. "Tips for Completing Question #13 of the SEPA Checklist"

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- (Gretchen). 9.”What to do if you find Human Remains” has a draft (Stephenie). 10. “Tribal contact List specifically for Forest Practices issues” (Jeffrey).
8. Historic Polson RR Camp issues/recommendations. Lee Stilson discovered that historic Polson Railroad Camp was disturbed during logging by Rayonier Inc. He brought the information to our March 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. This incident illustrates a problem with the process. We need to include language in the instructions for question 7 of the Forest Practices Application about historic sites. The Forest Practices review process needs to screen additional available tools including the General Land Office (GLO) maps, old USGS maps and current USGS maps besides the DAHP databases. This may take an extra ten minutes. Forest Practices could adopt the state lands procedures for reviewing a project. This should be included in the Action Item list.
 9. Yakama Nation’s concerns with Forest Practices HCP. David provided copies of letters between the Yakama Nation and the Department of Natural Resources Forest Practices Division (DNR-FP) addressing concerns about proposals in SEPA and the need to conduct cultural resources investigations. When the Federal Services issued a takings permit under the Endangered Species Act they stated that State laws and policies were equivalent to section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. The Yakama Nation wants to know what DNR-FP does that is equivalent to section 106 of the NHPA. The Yakama Nation believes their interpretation of SEPA requirements for question 13 of the SEPA checklist would be one thing similar to section 106. The information was provided because there is an action item concerning the FPHCP and compliance with the NHPA.
 10. Next Meeting. **May 17, 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 April, 4) Co-chair remarks, 5) Action Item List, 6) Report on the May 10th Forest Practices board meeting, 7) Guidance Documents and 8) Camp Polson issues/recommendations. Scheduled meetings through 2011: 5/17, 6/21, 7/19, 8/16, 9/20, 10/18, 11/15, and 12/20.