Forests & Fish Policy Committee

Workload Prioritization

The Policy Committee can use the following process & criteria to determine how to address emerging issues in a timely manner.

The **function of the Policy Committee** is to develop solutions to issues that arise in the Forest Practices Program. These issues may be raised by science reports on rule or program effectiveness or policy questions on implementation of forest practices. (Board Manual M22-5).

Current Priorities:

- Type N
- Mass Wastings
- Type F

Note: Use current topics for 2013 priorities. Foster in-depth conversation in January to determine or re-affirm 2014 priorities.

…plus emerging issues:

- WDFW proposal for Appendix M process
- CMER studies, as they come

NEW TOPIC

Follow process questions below

What is new topic's deadline?

Deadlines are associated with:

- Legislation
- Legal
- Adaptive Management program (dispute resolution, Policy Committee, Board decisions)

Less than 1 year

More than 1 year

Consider new topic for following year's priorities

Does new topic affect current priorities?

no

Policy decision: fit new topic into current priorities?

Yes

Consider need for subgroup(s)

No

yes

Policy decision:

Add new topic to current list of priorities

Replace one current priority with new topic

Add new topic to next year's priorities

Consider need for subgroup(s)