July 16, 2010

MEMORANDUM

TO: Forest Practices Board

FROM: Jim Hotvedt, Adaptive Management Program Administrator

SUBJECT: Status of Selected CMER Studies

As I reported at the February Forest Practices Board meeting, final reports of a number of CMER studies should be ready for Independent Science Peer Review (ISPR) in the next few months. Although most reports generally remain on track, timelines of others have been extended for a number of reasons, including loss of agency staff responsible for writing reports, the length of reports, and the complexity of some projects. The following summarizes the status and purpose of selected projects.

FPA DFC Desktop Analysis

The FPA DFC (Forest Practices Application, Desired Future Condition) Desktop Analysis study has been completed and will go to Policy with the appropriate documentation in August.

This study is part of a larger group of DFC Validation Program studies under the Type F Riparian Prescriptions Rule Group. This project was intended to determine how Westside Type F prescriptions are being applied by landowners, and to evaluate the effect of various riparian prescription options and constraints on timber available for current harvest and on projected future basal area (DFC). Forest & Fish Policy requested CMER to complete an office (desktop) analysis of a random set of FPAs that had active management of the inner zone and to conduct a field-verification project on a sub-sample of those FPAs.

Road Sub-basin Scale Effectiveness Monitoring Study

The report for the Road Sub-basin Scale Effectiveness Monitoring Project has gone through the ISPR process since the February Board meeting. The reviews were very complementary of the report, and revisions should be completed and a final forwarded to Policy with the appropriate documentation in the next few months, hopefully by October.

This study falls under the Roads Sub-basin Scale Effectiveness Monitoring Program under the Roads Rule Group. The purpose of the study is to provide data that can be used to assess the degree to which sub-basin scale performance targets, and therefore resource objectives, are being met throughout the state. In particular, it reports on the effectiveness of the Forest Practices Rules in improving conditions that are known to lead to fine sediment input to fish-bearing streams from surface erosion. It also characterizes the extent of road conditions that reduce surface erosion (e.g., improved surfacing and reduced runoff to streams).

Extensive Riparian Status and Trend Monitoring – Temperature, Type F/S Westside,
Extensive Riparian Status and Trend Monitoring – Temperature, Type F/S Eastside
Extensive Riparian Status and Trend Monitoring – Temperature, Type Np Westside

Draft final reports for this group of status and trend studies are currently being finalized and are expected to be approved by CMER this summer. These reports were expected to have been completed and submitted to ISPR by now; however, loss of staff has delayed completion of these reports by a few months. The current plan is to combine these reports and send them through ISPR together by the end of the year.

These studies fall under the Extensive Riparian Status and Trend Monitoring Programs under the Type N and Type F riparian prescriptions rule groups. The purpose of the Extensive Riparian Status and Trend Monitoring Program is to provide data needed to evaluate landscape-scale effects of implementing forest practices riparian prescriptions and to provide data needed by regulatory agencies to provide assurances that forest practices rules meet Clean Water Act requirements and achieve riparian resource objectives. The purpose of this group of studies is to develop unbiased estimates of the distribution of Type F and S stream temperatures across FP HCP lands in Western and Eastern Washington, and across Type Np FP HCP lands in Western Washington, as well as to identify trends over time. The timing of the second sampling has not been scheduled.

Westside Type N Buffer Characteristics, Integrity, and Function (BCIF) Project

A draft report for the BCIF project is expected to go to CMER in the next few months. Completion of this report has been delayed due to the length of the document. Two drafts have been written and reviewed by RSAG (Riparian Scientific Advisory Group), and a third draft is currently under review. The report is expected to go through CMER review and on to ISPR by November or December.

This project is designed to evaluate the effectiveness of the Westside Type N riparian prescriptions, including survival of buffer leave trees, changes in stand condition and trajectory over time, and changes in riparian functions (shade, LWD recruitment, and stream bank protection).

Mass Wasting Prescription-scale Effectiveness Monitoring (aka Post-Mortem)

A draft final report for the Post-Mortem project recently went through CMER review. This was after multiple UPSAG (Uplands Scientific Advisory Group) reviews and revisions. Eight CMER reviewers, including an external reviewer, made extensive comments. The authors are currently evaluating how to respond to the numerous comments, including options for alternative statistical approaches in response to reviewer recommendations. Revisions to the report are likely to be substantial and will take time. A revised draft is expected to go to CMER for their review by October.

This project was implemented in response to the December 2007 storm. It was designed to evaluate the relative effectiveness of current Forest Practices Rules with regards to landslide density and sediment delivery. The study also sought to collect information on site-scale triggers and natural landscape factors that might inform specific unstable slope mitigation practices.

JH/

MEMORANDUM

July 22, 2010

TO: Forest Practices Board

FROM: Marc Engel, Assistant Division Manager, Policy and Services

SUBJECT: Forest Practices Board Manual Update

The Department of Natural Resources is convening a stakeholder group to develop Board Manual Section 18, *Guidelines for Riparian Open Space Program*. Development of this Board Manual will occur concurrently with the development of the Riparian Open Space rules. The completed Board Manual will be presented to the Board for approval at the meeting that the Board considers adoption of amended Riparian Open Space rules.

Please feel free to call me with any questions at (360) 902-1390.

MEMORANDUM

July 22, 2010

TO: Forest Practices Board

FROM: Marc Engel, Assistant Division Manager, Policy and Services

SUBJECT: 2010 Rule Making Schedule

Following is an update on rule making activity.

Riparian Open Space – Staff will present a draft rule proposal at your August meeting for approval to proceed with a 30-day review process with the counties, Department of Fish and Wildlife and Tribes. This language implements Second Substitute Senate Bill (SSSB) 5401 by expanding the eligibility of the Riparian Open Space Program to include the acquisition of conservation easements on all unconfined regulatory channel migration zones and forest lands containing "critical habitat" for threatened or endangered species as designated by the Board .

Administrative Appeals – Staff will request your approval to file a CR-105 expedited rule making at your August meeting. This rule making is to implement Substitute House Bill (SHB) 2935 and Second Substitute Senate Bill (2SSB) 5883. These bills eliminate the Forest Practices Appeals Board (SHB 2935) and provides DNR the authority to issue a notice of a conversion to a nonforestry use (2SSB 5883).

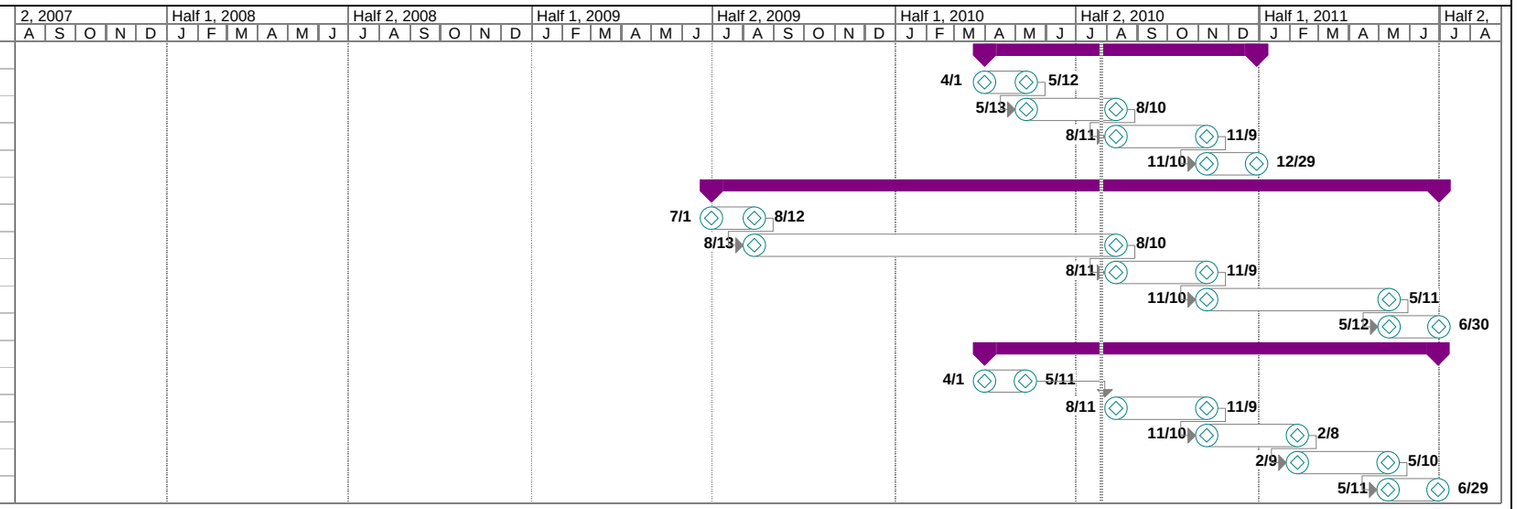
Notice of Forest Practices to Affected Indian Tribes – Staff and the Cultural Resources Committee continues to develop draft rule language that pertains to notice of forest practices to affected Indian tribes.

If you have any questions feel free to call me at 360.902.1390.

ME:paa
Attachment

FOREST PRACTICES BOARD
2010 Rule Making Schedule

ID	Task Name
1	**Appeals Board-222-12, 20 & 46, 222-16-010**
2	30 day notice
3	CR102 (expedited - 45 comment period)
4	CR103
5	Estimated effective date
6	**Riparian Open Space-222-23, 222-16-010**
7	CR101
8	30 day notice
9	CR102 (CBA, SBEIS, SEPA)
10	CR103
11	Estimated effective date
12	**Notice of FP to Affected Indian Tribes-222-20-120**
13	CR101
14	30 day notice
15	CR102 (CBA, SBEIS, SEPA)
16	CR103
17	Estimated effective date



FOREST PRACTICES BOARD
2010 WORK PLAN

TASK	COMPLETION DATE	STATUS
2011 Work Planning	November 9	
Adaptive Management Program		
Funding	On-going	
CMER 2011 Work Plan and Budget	May 11	Completed
Annual Reports		
Cultural Resources Committee Annual Report	August 10	
Taylor's Checkerspot Butterfly Report	February 10	Completed
Forests and Fish Policy Priorities	August 10	
Board Manual Development		
Section 7, RMZ (DFC)	February 10	Completed
Section 18, Riparian Open Space and Critical Habitat Conservation Easement Program	February 10	Revise date to coincide with rule making
Section 21, fixed width and conifer templates	February 10	Completed
Rule Making		
Trees & Houses		Moved to 2011 Work Plan
Conversion Activities (implement 2007 legislation and clean-up)		Moved to 2011 Work Plan
Riparian Open Space and Critical Habitat Conservation Easement Program	August 10	30-day notice
Lands platted (depending on legislation)		Moved to 2011 Work Plan
Northern Spotted Owl	May 11	
Notice of Forest Practice to Affected Indian Tribes	November 9	30-day notice
Upland Wildlife	February 10	Completed
Quarterly Reports		
Board Manual Development	Each regular meeting	
Adaptive Management Program & Strategic Plan Implementation	Each regular meeting	
Rule Making Activities	Each regular meeting	
Compliance Monitoring	Each regular meeting	
Small Forest Landowner Advisory Committee & Office	Each regular meeting	
Legislative Update	February 10 & May 11	Completed
Watershed Analysis Mass Wasting Prescriptions Committee	February 10	Completed
Clean Water Act Assurances	Each regular meeting	
NSO Policy Working Group	February 10	Completed

July 16, 2010

MEMORANDUM

TO: Forest Practices Board

FROM: Walt Obermeyer, Compliance Monitoring Program Administrator

SUBJECT: Status of Compliance Monitoring

2010 Program Work

To date 66% of the sample applications have completed reviews. All remaining work is in three regions: Southeast, Pacific Cascade and South Puget Sound. Completion is expected by mid autumn. Field review is in progress for the Haul Route sample design. Revisions are being tested with the goal of having a stakeholder accepted protocol and analysis methodology to implement in the 2011 field season.

Clean Water Assurances

At this writing two milestones remain to be completed. The Dispute Resolution milestone work is in final edits. Work on Riparian Noncompliance data compilation is complete with analysis remaining.

Compliance Monitoring Stakeholder Committee

The committee met on June 23. It reviewed several field issues resulting from application reviews where team members expressed differing views. Those discussions were meant to convey the nature of the challenges faced in field interpretation of questionable situations among the stakeholders. The committee reviewed field work on the haul route review methodology and requested to be informed as work progresses. The 2008-09 report format was reviewed along with discussion of stakeholder review opportunities. The next meeting is scheduled for August 25th.

Biennial report for 2008-2009

Data compilation is in progress and the statistician has been sent the standard sample for analysis. Report sections are being outlined. A draft for the Stakeholder Committee review is expected late August and three weeks will be provided for their comment. Revisions will follow and publication is expected late October- early November.

WO/

July 19, 2010

MEMORANDUM

TO: Forest Practices Board

FROM: Mary McDonald, FP Division SFLO Manager MMcD

SUBJECT: Small Forest Landowner Office and Advisory Committee

Small Forest Landowner Advisory Committee:
Small Forest Landowner Advisory Committee (SFLAC) meeting was held on July 6th 2010. Primary focus of the meeting was to explore caucus' perspectives of RCW 76.13.100 language, (alternate management plans and alternate harvest restrictions on smaller harvest units with low impact on aquatic resources). This discussion is planned to continue on the October 5th meeting. The May 4th 2010 the SFLAC meeting was canceled at the request of the chairman.

Forestry Riparian Easement Program (FREP):
FREP is a conservation easement program to compensate participating small landowners for unharvestable timber on forested lands along rivers or streams. Small Forest Landowner Office (SFLO) will implement the 2011 budget proviso by performing two deliverables. The first deliverable is acquiring Forest Riparian Easements (FREs) according to the fourteen prioritization elements and available funding. Requests for supplemental information have been sent out to FREP applications that will enable SFLO to apply the 14-prioritization elements. The second budget proviso is to prepare recommendations of FREP reform legislation for submittal to the Office of Financial Management (OFM) and the legislature by October 1, 2010. SFLO will include input and comments received during open houses meetings into draft FREP legislation. Copies of the implementation plan, request for information and the open house invitation are attached.

Forest Stewardship Program

- One Stewardship Forester position has been restored for Western WA funded by a combination of WSU Extension, US Forest Service, and county government funds. This position is based in Olympia and serves all of Western Washington.
- The Idaho-Washington Forest Owners Field Day was held June 12 near Athol, ID in partnership with WSU Extension, University of Idaho Extension, DNR and Idaho Department of Lands. Approximately 350 landowners participated which brought the total attendance for these regional events to over 8000 landowners.
- A Western WA Forest Owners Field Day is planned for July 31 in Ravensdale, WA in partnership with King County. An Oregon-Washington Field Day is scheduled for August 28 near Ridgefield in Clark County. This year's field days are funded primarily by competitive grants from USFS obtained by DNR and from NRCS obtained by WSU Extension.
- Program continues to provide technical assistance and forest health/wildfire-related cost-share funds in Eastern Washington funded by USDA Forest Service National Fire Plan and Forest Health funds.

Family Forest Fish Passage Program (FFFPP):
The Family Forest Fish Passage Program is a cost-share program that helps small forest landowners correct fish passage barriers by providing 75-100 percent of the cost of the correction.

- The program has over 442 qualified small landowner applications in need of repair that are not funded. 41 new applications have been received this round. Since 2003 there have been over 232 funded projects opening up over 495 miles statewide.
- A federal funding request is being prepared to supplement the state's capital funds.

Long Term Application (LTA) Program Progress Beginning 10/1/2007 – 7/15/2010

A small forest landowner has the option of submitting a long-term application that is valid for up to 15 years. A long-term forest practices application is submitted and reviewed in two steps.

DECISION	LTA1	LTA2	Total by Decision
Application step 1 validated	14	0	**14**
Application rejected	8	0	**8**
Review of application (w/in 45 days)	2	4	**6**
Approved application	0	41	**41**
Application closed by landowner	2	3	**5**
Total by Step	**26**	**48**	**74**

Riparian Open Space Program

Conservation easement program is available to small and large landowners. This program received $500,000 for the 2009-2011 biennium. Applications were accepted for channel migration zone areas only for the 2009-2011 biennium. Eleven applications were received prior to the application deadline. Eight applications are from small forest landowners. This will be the first time that small forest landowners are likely to take advantage of the Riparian Open Space Program.

Please contact me at 360-902-1415 or mary.mcdonald@dnr.wa.gov for any questions.

MM/

WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF
Natural Resources

PETER GOLDMARK
Commissioner of Public Lands

July 22, 2010

Dear Interested Party,

This letter provides additional information regarding an invitation to attend open house meetings for the Forestry Riparian Easement Program (FREP). We are seeking your input on ways to improve this forest landowner program.

The 2010 Washington State Legislature directed the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) to involve stakeholders in developing recommendations for the eligibility, prioritization, and policy provisions of the FREP. In developing these recommendations, the Legislature directed DNR to consider inclusion of the FREP eligibility and prioritization criteria supplied in the fiscal year 2011 State Supplemental Capital budget for future funding periods. (http://leap.leg.wa.gov/leap/Budget/Detail/2010/ccbill0413.pdf)

DNR is hosting two open house meetings focused on eligibility requirements, prioritization elements, and identification of additional limiting processes and procedures. DNR will take the input from these meetings, along with direction from the Legislature, and draft a complete set of recommendations. The date, time and location of the initial input meetings are:

- **August 4th, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m., WSU Extension - Spokane County Extension building, 222 North Havana Street, Spokane, Washington (next to the Interstate Fairgrounds).**
- **August 9th, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m., Centralia Community College Science Center building, room NSC 121, located at 600 Centralia College Blvd, Centralia, Washington http://www.centralia.edu/admin/directions.html**

A third meeting will provide an opportunity to review and supply comment on the draft recommendations that were generated from the input meetings. DNR must deliver a final set of recommendations to the Legislature and the Office of Financial Management by October 1, 2010.

The date, time and location of the review meeting is:

- **August 30th, 6:00-8:00 p.m., Natural Resources Building, room 172, 1111 Washington Street, Olympia, Washington (follow sign from visitors parking level P-1to the meeting room). http://www.dnr.wa.gov/Publications/em_directions_to_dnr.pdf**

Please contact Mary McDonald at mary.mcdonald@dnr.wa.gov or by phone at 360.902.1415 if you have any questions. Driving directions and information about the open house meetings can be found on the Small Forest Landowner Office website via the main DNR website (www.dnr.wa.gov) or by following the links provided above.

Sincerely,

Chuck Turley
Deputy Supervisor of Regulatory Programs
Washington State Department of Natural Resources

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July 19, 2010

Small Landowner

Subject: Forestry Riparian Easement Program

Dear Small Forest Landowner,

This letter is to update you on the status of your application to the Forestry Riparian Easement Program. For the 2011 state fiscal year, from July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011, the Legislature has established priority directives for the purchase of Forestry Riparian Easements (FRE) with monies appropriated during the 2010 session. To remain eligible for purchase of a FRE during this fiscal year the Small Forest Landowner Office needs more information from you.

The Washington State Legislature established the forest riparian easement program in 1999, as a part of legislation implementing the Forests and Fish Report. The program enables the state to acquire forest riparian easements from willing small forest landowners. The program is administered by the Department of Natural Resources' (DNR) Small Forest Landowner Office (SFLO), but it requires funding from the State Legislature.

The supplemental capital budget for this fiscal year appropriated approximately $1 million for the purchase of Forest Riparian Easements. In the past, the DNR's SFLO acquired riparian easements based on the receipt date of an application. The Legislature's supplemental capital budget appropriation for this fiscal year requires DNR to prioritize its funding of forest riparian easements for the coming fiscal year in a different manner. The Legislature has required the DNR to consider eight factors that would elevate the priority of certain easement requests,[1] and six more factors that would reduce the priority of certain easement requests.[2] We need to collect

[1] These factors will elevate an application's priority, and are ranked in order of importance: (a) the greatest proportion of riparian buffer impacted in the related forest practices application; (b) lands in deferred tax status of classified timber land or classified open space as defined in RCW 84.34.020; (c) lands at greatest risk of conversion to other land uses as determined by county zoning and land classifications and proximity to urban growth areas or other areas of concentrated land development; (d) lands that are certified by a forest certification recognized by the department; (e) the applicant has not received a forestry riparian easement since July 1, 2007; (f) the applicant is not a nonprofit organization; (g) the applicant has been waiting three years or more for a forestry easement purchase; and (h) the application does not include any of the conditions specified in subsection (2) of this section. Laws of 2010, 1st Sp. Sess. Ch. 36, § 3041(3).

[2] These factors will reduce an application's priority: (a) The forest management activities for the aggregated ownership of the landowner referenced in the application, his or her spouse, and his or her children exceed the small forest landowner definition in RCW 76.13.120(2)(c); (b) the applicant has had legal ownership for less than five years, except when the applicant is a lineal descendant of a landowner meeting this condition; (c) the applicant has an outstanding violation of the forest practices act under chapter 76.09 RCW; (d) the applicant is in default on a financial obligation to an agency of the state including noncompliance with a child support order under RCW 74.20A.320; (e) the application is for land on which other conservation easements have been executed and recorded on the title; or (f) the land is owned by a nonprofit organization that does not have deferred tax

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supplemental information from you (landowner-applicants) that will enable us to apply the 14-factor test. Enclosed is a Declaration form that will enable SFLO to apply the Legislature's priority directives. Please fill out the Declaration form and return to the SFLO by August 20, 2010 in order for your application to be eligible for funding in the 2010-2011 funding period. Failure to provide FRE supplemental information by August 20, 2010 will cause the application to be incomplete and will subsequently not be eligible for funding during the July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011 fiscal year.

In addition, the legislative conditions on the July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011 appropriation also indicate that the Department will work with interested stakeholders to develop recommendations for changes in the eligibility criteria, prioritization, and policy provisions of the Forest Riparian Easement Program (FREP). This process could affect the prioritization factors the Legislature specifies on FREP spending in future biennia. DNR's SFLO will be convening open houses to enable interested stakeholders to provide input on the proposed recommendations. Information regarding the open houses will be post on the DNR's SFLO website or you are welcome to provide comments to the website frep@dnr.wa.gov .

Sincerely,

Mary McDonald
Small Forest Landowner Office Manager
Department of Natural Resources
360-902-1415

Enclosure

cc: Daren Cramer, Forest Practices Division Manager
Marc Engel, Forest Practices Assistant Division Manager

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designations of either classified timber land or classified open space as defined in RCW 84.34.020 and does not have a county-recognized forest management plan. Laws of 2010, 1st Sp. Sess. Ch. 36, § 3041(4).

Forest Practices Division
Small Forest Landowner Office Plan to
Implement FY 2011 FREP Supplemental Capital Budget

This narrative outlines the Forest Practices Division plans to implement the FY 2011 Forest Riparian Easement Program (FREP) as directed by the legislature in HB 2836, Sec. 3041 of the 2009-11 Supplemental Capital Budget (attachment 1). The DNR Small Forest Landowner Office (SFLO) will implement the budget proviso by: 1) acquiring Forest Riparian Easements (FREs) according to the fourteen prioritization elements and available funding; and 2) preparing recommended FREP reform legislation for submittal to the Office of Financial Management (OFM) and the legislature by October 1, 2010. The SFLO will facilitate a stakeholder process to inform the development of the recommended FREP reform legislation.

Deliverables:

1. **FREP Reform:** Submit to OFM and the legislature, by October 1, 2010, recommendations in the form of legislation to reform the FREP. This proposed legislation will include recommendations for FREP funding policy, eligibility, and prioritization.

2. **FREP Acquisition**: The SFLO will acquire by June 30, 2011, FREs utilizing the prioritization elements listed in Section 3041 of HB 2836.

FY 2011 Budget Summary:

State Building Construction Account:	$500,000
Forests & Fish Support Account, proceeds from sale of King Air:	$500,000
FY 2011 total budget	**$1,000,000**

FREP Reform

The process to develop recommendations in the form of legislation will begin with outreach and open house meetings with interested stakeholders to describe the proviso language and solicit recommendations. This process will be similar to the process used in the development of a Forest Practices Board Manual where DNR consults with interested stakeholders. It is anticipated that key members in the group will include representation from the Governor's Policy office, key legislators and staff, non-profit organizations with small forest landowner membership, and small forest landowners at large. DNR staff will develop a "staff recommendation" for public review and comment by interested stakeholders and possibly for the SFLO Advisory Committee. Based on this feedback, DNR will write the final report with recommendations in the form of legislation for presentation to OFM and the legislature by October 1, 2010.

FREP Acquisition

The initiation of the process to acquire Forest Riparian Easements will be concurrent with the process to develop recommendations and proposed language for FREP reform legislation. The

acquisition of Forest Riparian Easements for FY 2011 will follow the prioritization language listed in section 3041 of HB 2836 under the following assumptions:

1. The SFLO has the authority to develop weighted scoring criteria to acquire FREs based on the prioritization language in the budget proviso.
2. The SFLO will do public outreach (by contacting current eligible FRE applicants in the queue and to all small forest landowners through web postings) regarding the prioritization elements that will be used for the FY 2011 funding cycle.
    a. The prioritization elements listed in the budget proviso will be applied to the applications currently in the queue provided they submit the additional required eligibility information via affidavits, and any additional applications received by eligibility information deadline (30 days from the date letter sent to applications in queue), to determine which FREs will be funded in FY 2011.
3. One NRS3 staff will be hired to implement the appraisal and acquisition of FREs.
4. Available funding and staffing capacity will limit the number of appraisals to 14 and easement acquisitions to approximately seven.

Acquisition Process

There are 81 applications for FRE's in the queue waiting for funding, and none of these applications have been appraised. The proviso did not direct the SFLO to appraise all easement applications, and based on past average FRE compensation values ($100,000), the appropriation is much less than the amount needed to purchase 81 FREs. The supplemental proviso requires easement applications to be prioritized; therefore, to meet the acquisition prioritization requirements, the SFLO will need to request additional information from the landowners in the queue. In addition, to fairly apply the prioritization requirements the SFLO will need to develop a weighted scoring process to account for the prioritization elements listed in the proviso language. DNR will invite the expertise of the Recreation and Conservation Office in developing these weighted criteria. Given the available funding, the SFLO will only need to appraise FRE applications with a high probability for acquisition based on the criteria. The remaining applications are not likely to be funded based on the amount of the allocation. Appraising all 81 applications would substantially reduce the funds available for easement acquisition. In addition, future funding may have a different prioritization and eligibility criteria which could negate any previous prioritization. Based on the capacity of staff in previous biennia, the top14 applications determined through the proviso prioritization requirements will be appraised and further evaluated using a weighted scoring system. Of these, the budget will purchase an estimated seven FREs.

July 21, 2010

MEMORANDUM

TO: Forest Practices Board

FROM: Timber/Fish/Wildlife Cultural Resources Committee Co-Chairs

Jeffrey Thomas, Puyallup Tribe of Indians

Peter Heide, Washington Forest Protection Association

SUBJECT: Quarterly Report of Timber/Fish/Wildlife Cultural Resources Committee

The Timber/Fish/Wildlife (TFW) Cultural Resources Committee (Committee) is pleased to submit the August 2010 quarterly report to the Forest Practices Board.

Again this quarter, the report is in the form of the Committee's Action Items list. This list is reviewed every month by the Committee and updated to reflect current activities. Changes from the previous May report are in red or italic print.

We look forward to your August 10, 2010 meeting and answering any questions you may have. In the meantime, please do not hesitate to contact us:

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Enc.

TFW Cultural Resource Commitee					*Jul-10*	*Changes from April in Red or Italics*
Priority		**Action Items**	**Lead**	**Status**	**Next Action**	**Relationship to the CRPMP**
High	1	Approach the Forest Practices Board about the official standing of the CR committee and operational funding and/of staff support	Allyson			Advance the Committee's work
		Prepare a letter to the FPB		Complete		
		Contact John Mankowski regarding state responsibility for NHPA compliance under the state's FPHCP		In progress	Second conversation w/Mankowski	
		Secure a Charter with the Forest Practices Board	Sherri	In progress	*Consider suggested changes form DNR (Darin Cramer and Rodney Cawston) and agree on a final form for the charter*	
		Contact individual FP Board members to "champion" CR Committee issues	Alll	In progress	Encourage the establishment of a CR rep on the FPB	
High	2	Prepare the cultural resource guidance documents or a manual as agreed to in the CRPMP	Jeffrey		Seek a funding source to help the committee with this task	Educational Program and Commitments
		Scope the guidance/manual project to develop a detailed description and outline of the proposed guidance or manual.		Complete		
		Work procucts:1) Guidance for TFW stakeholders, 2) Guidance specific to forest landowners, and 3)guidance specific to Tribes.		In progress	Review the results of the scoping workshop and ID the high priority projects	
		Improve knowledge and use of the GLO information to identify historic features recognized during 19th century land surveys.	Committee	In progress	Take up this issue as an education topic for agencies and landowners.	
		Develop informatio to post on the Cultural Committee web page on DNR's website	*Committee*	*In progress*	*Produce info about the Committeee provide a list of links to other sources of CR info*	
HIgh	3	*Prepare a draft revisions to WAC 222-20-120 per the Cowlitz' recommendation, concerns from landowners and DNR regarding implementation of the current rule as written.*	*All*	*Draft delivered to DNR*	*Await staff review of the Committee's recommendation*	DNR Forest Practices Program support
Medium	4	Individual caucuses will support funding in the biennium 12-13 budget for a full time position at DAHP for the maintenance of CR data in support of the forest practices risk assessment tool.	Individual Caucuses	On hold	Retry during next biennial budget cycle	DNR Forest Practices Program support
Medium	5	Seek funding for a Watershed Analysis CR Module pilot project ($150,000) Draft a proposal to include CR in the CMER work plan for Forests and Fish Policy		On hold	Waiting for the next opportunity	Appendix A Watershed Analysis Manual

TFW Cultural Resource Commitee						*Jul-10*	*Changes from April in Red or Italics*
Priority	**Action Items**			**Lead**	**Status**	**Next Action**	**Relationship to the CRPMP**
Low	6	Other CRPMP amendments to consider and further discuss:		Sherri	On hold	Wait for the Mission etc to be completed	CRPMP Support
			Regarding MOUs, consider adding a statement specifying when DNR has a role in implementing MOUs and if there is a role, specifying its nature.				
			Under "Education Program and Commitments," modify #2 to recognize that agreements are often executed at the field level without the need for higher level contacts				
			Reference a role for the CRPMP in Forest Practices ID team deliberations and preparation of SEPA documents for Class IV Special FPAs				
Low	7	Prepare a report the to the Forest Practices Board on the impact to cultural resource protection and management when forest land is converted to another use and regulatory responsibility passes to local government (county or city)		Jeff and Pete	On hold	Wait for other higher priority items to be addressed	
On-Going Tasks							
	1	Annual Cultural Resources Committee Report to the Forest Practices Board		Co-Chairs	2009 Complete	Next report due Nov 2010	Annual obligation
	2	Biannual Review of the CRPMP		Co-Chairs		Decision on whether to continue Biannual reviews or consider monthly meetings	
	3	Give a CRPMP presentation at Regional TFW meetings					Communication
	4	Emphasize accomplishments when communicating progress on implementing the CRPMP					Communication
	5	Submit the Committee's action item list to the be Board as a quarterly report		Co-chairs	1st QT 2010 coming up	Submit to Patricia Anderson by January	Communication and Outreach
Completed Items							

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Priority		**Action Items**	**Lead**	**Status**	**Next Action**	**Relationship to the CRPMP**
High		Consider a recommendation to include a cultural resource question on the Phase II 15-year small landowner permit application. Finalize	Sherri	Completed Spring 2009		