

**Small Forest Landowner Office Advisory Committee Meeting
Notes
July 26, 2017**

Present: Vic Musselman, Tami Miketa, Mark Hicks, Josh Meek, Terry Jackson, Ken Miller, Marc Engel, Phil Hess – by phone.

Review 05/17/2017 SFLOAC Meeting Notes

05/17/17 SFLOAC meeting notes approved as written.

Josh gave an update on how many small forest landowner Forest Practices Applications (FPA) have been returned in the past by each region due to incomplete information. Josh stated the regions make every attempt to work with small forest landowners to provide the correct information on FPAs. Josh said there was a consistent number of approximately 10% across all regions of SFL FPAs being returned to the landowner due to incomplete information.

Summary of FREP and FFFPP Accomplishments During FY15-17

Tami gave a presentation on the accomplishments in the Forestry Riparian Easement Program (FREP) and the Family Forest Fish Passage Program (FFFPP) during the FY15-17 biennium. For the FY 15-17 biennium, FREP received \$3.5 million from the Capital Budget. A total of 42 conservation easements were acquired covering 529 acres. As of July 1, 2017, the backlog of unfunded FREP applications is 134. Using private contractors, the FREP qualifying timber has been cruised on 87 of the 134 applications. Since 2001, FREP has acquired 370 conservation easements covering over 5,800 acres.

For the FY 15-17 biennium, FFFPP received \$5 million from the Capital Budget. A total of 33 fish passage barriers were removed opening 62 miles of fish habitat. There are currently over 1,000 fish barriers on the FFFPP prioritization list. Since 2003, FFFPP has eliminated 384 fish passage barriers opening over 900 miles of habitat for fish.

Open Discussion on First 10 Questions of Eastside and Westside FPA Instructions

At the last meeting, the committee agreed to review the current FPA/N and instructions to see if there may be areas of clarification that might help make the form easier to understand for small forest landowners. It was suggested the committee review ten questions of each eastside and westside FPA/N questions and instructions to be reviewed at each SFLOAC meeting until the FPA/N forms are done. The group discussed the first 10 questions of the eastside and westside FPA questions and instructions.

Vic will distribute the next 10 FPA/N questions and instructions before the next SFLOAC meeting to be ready for discussion.

It was agreed once all of the FPA/N questions and instructions are reviewed, Vic, Josh, and Tami will meet with the Forest Practices Operations staff to discuss the committee's comments and suggestions on the documents.

Review of Draft SFLOAC Report for Presentation at November Forest Practices Board Meeting

Vic presented a draft report covering the SFLOAC activities for 2015, 2016, and part of 2017. The committee provided comments/edits for Vic to incorporate; Vic will present the updated report to the SFLOAC at the September meeting.

Action Plan Update

Vic updated the Action Plan to reflect the current status of actions.

The next SFLOAC meeting will be held on September 20, 2017 from 12:00 to 4:00 at the NRB in Room 362. Conference Call # (360)902-2915 Pin # 229151.

Meeting Adjourned