INTERJURISDICTIONAL COMMITTEE CHARTER

For Implementation of:
Department of Natural Resources Lake Whatcom Landscape Plan

Established
The Department of Natural Resources (DNR) Lake Whatcom Landscape Plan Interjurisdictional Committee (IJC) is established pursuant to State law, 2000 Washington Laws Chapter 205 (E2SSB 6731) and Board of Natural Resources Resolution No. 1141, dated November 2, 2004.

Purpose
The IJC is created to make recommendations to DNR concerning site-specific activities related to implementation of the Lake Whatcom Landscape Plan as identified in the January 30, 2004 Final Environmental Impact Statement and Board of Natural Resources Resolution No. 1141.

Function
The IJC will review plans, presented by DNR Northwest Region staff, for site-specific activities on state trust forest lands encompassed by the Lake Whatcom Landscape Plan. The IJC shall evaluate planned activities against the strategies contained in the Lake Whatcom Landscape Plan and make written recommendations to DNR's Baker District Manager, or designee, within 30 calendar days of receiving site-specific plans (unless a different date is agreed on between the full IJC and the Baker District Manager).

Membership –Term on Committee
The IJC shall be comprised of five members. The Board of Natural Resources Resolution No. 1141, Section 4, in part reads: "The City of Bellingham, Lake Whatcom Water and Sewer District, and Whatcom County (together comprising the Lake Whatcom Management Committee) are each asked to provide the Commissioner of Public Lands with two recommendations for technical specialists. The Commissioner of Public Lands shall evaluate the nominees and make final selections; so as to have one technical specialist from each of the previously specified jurisdictions…The Northwest Region Manager shall nominate members of the general public for the interjurisdictional committee. Following informal consultation with each of the jurisdictions named above, the Commissioner of Public Lands shall select two members of the general public from the list of nominees."

Each member will serve on the IJC until such time the member, or the jurisdiction that nominated him or her, notifies the Commissioner of Public Lands in writing that he or she will no longer be an IJC member. The respective jurisdiction will have the opportunity to recommend a replacement member consistent with Resolution 1141.

Organization – Meetings
The IJC shall annually elect a chairperson and vice chairperson from among its members who shall preside at its meetings. The IJC shall adopt its own rules and procedures for the conduct of its business. The DNR Baker District Manager, or designee, shall work with the IJC chairperson to schedule meetings. IJC meetings, at which DNR presents plans for the upcoming year's activities, will be open to the public but there will be no formal public comment period.

Doug Sutherland
Commissioner of Public Lands

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Date