



# Board of Natural Resources

## Product Sales & Leasing Division

### Forest Health Briefing, II

February 6, 2018



# Agenda

## Forest Health Briefing:

- Brief Review
- HB 1711
- State Lands Forest Health Strategy
- FY 17-19 Implementation Plan



# Review

**Table 13:** Eastern Washington Total Active Forest Restoration Need by Ownership with the Anchor Forest Study Areas. (Disturbance and Disturbance/Succession)

| Ownership              | Total Active Restoration Need |         |
|------------------------|-------------------------------|---------|
|                        | Acres                         | Percent |
| USFS                   | 1,119,674                     | 42%     |
| State-DNR              | 257,434                       | 10%     |
| State-Other            | 46,227                        | 2%      |
| Tribal                 | 397,782                       | 15%     |
| Private Industrial     | 319,923                       | 12%     |
| Private Non-Industrial | 466,414                       | 17%     |
| Other                  | 71,050                        | 3%      |
| <b>Total</b>           | <b>2,678,504</b>              |         |

Eastern Washington Forest Health Report 2014



# HB 1711

HB 1711: AN ACT Relating to prioritizing lands to receive forest health treatments... Passed both houses of legislature unanimously in 2017, four primary components:

- Prioritization criteria
- Internal/external coordination
- Legislative reporting
- FHRA



# But First, Some HB 1711 Definitions

Section 1 (1) (a): "...develop and implement a policy for prioritizing investments on forest health treatments to... Reduce wildfire hazards and losses from wildfire; (ii) reduce insect infestation and disease; and (iii) achieve cumulative impact of improved forest health and resilience at a landscape scale."

Section 1 (3) (a) "Forest health" has the same meaning as defined in RCW 76.06.020.

Section 1 (3) (b): "Forest health treatment" or "treatment" means actions taken by the department to restore forest health including, but not limited to, sub landscape assessment and project planning, site preparation, reforestation, mechanical treatments including timber harvest, road realignment for fire protection and aquatic improvements, and prescribed burning.



# HB 1711

## Prioritization Criteria:

- Forest products removed
- Forest & Ag products, structures, public infrastructure spared from damage by wildfire
- Impacts to recreation and tourism
- Ecosystem services





# HB 1711

## External/Internal Coordination:

- Consult with nearby landowners
- Coordinate internally with Wildfire Division - implementation of 20 Year Forest Health Strategic Plan





# HB 1711

## Reporting:

- Develop 20 yr. landscape level, six, & two yr. treatment level plan
- Update list, report to legislature on 12/1 of each even numbered year
- Progress, two yr. treatment plan, and recommended funding



# HB 1711- FHRA

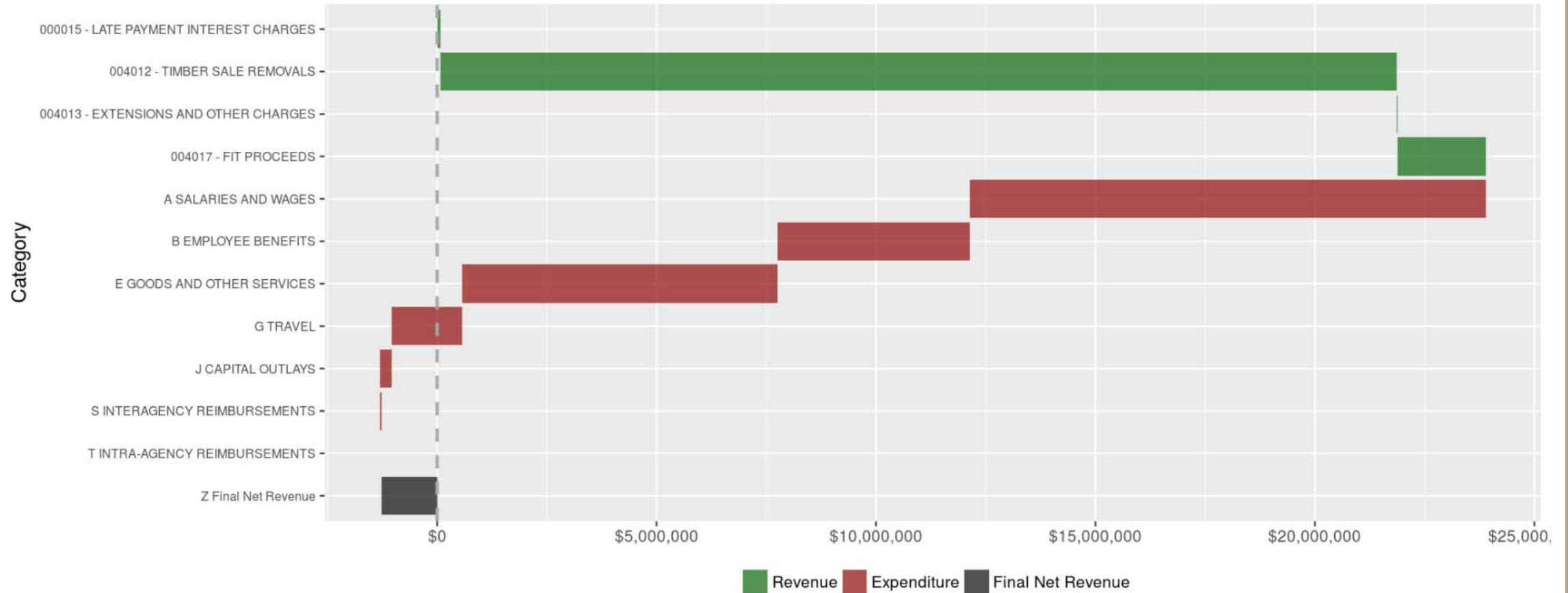
- Proceeds from treatments deposited into FHRA (+leg approps.)
- Funds used to cover all costs for FH treatments as defined by HB 1711
- CPL authorizes expenditures
- Periodic reporting to BNR regarding status, receipts, disbursements
- Balance >\$10M at the end calendar year disbursed to beneficiaries
- If FHRA is no longer needed, all funds disbursed to beneficiaries



# Mgmt. Fund Revenue & Expenditures

## Summary waterfall

FY 2011-2017 Revenue for Northeast, Southeast





# State Lands Strategy

- Overarching direction
- Landscape, program, and operational goals
- Management tools

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A Strategy to Restore  
Forest Health on State Lands  
in Eastern Washington



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# 17-19 Implementation Plan

- ~\$6M mgmt. funds allotted (PS, Silv.)
- ~\$5.45M SBCA appropriation
  - \$4M treatments
  - \$1M reforestation
  - \$450k prioritization
- Anticipate ~\$7-\$9M in revenue
- ~7,500 acres commercial, 8,000 acres non commercial treatments





# 17-19 Implementation Plan

- Developing prioritization methodology
- 20, six, and two year prioritization by 11/15/18
- Legislative report due 12/1/18
- BNR reporting will occur prior to legislative report (17-19 progress, 19-21 plan, FHRA activity)





# What we've covered

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