



PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

CR-101 (June 2004)
(Implements RCW 34.05.310)
Do **NOT** use for expedited rule making

Agency: Forest Practices Board

Subject of possible rule making:

Chapter 222-20 WAC Applications and notifications.

Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject: RCW 76.09.040

Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish:

The Forest Practices Board has identified a need to amend the rules to allow for electronic signature and electronic payment for Forest Practices Applications and Notifications (FPA/N).

The ability to submit electronic signatures and payments will allow applicants to submit an electronic FPA/N in addition to the current acceptable methods for submittal of an FPA/N through certified mail or hand delivery to a Department of Natural Resources region office.

Identify other federal and state agencies that regulate this subject and the process coordinating the rule with these agencies:

RCW 19.360.020 provides the authority for agencies to adopt rules pertaining to electronic transactions. The procedures to use and accept electronic signatures and electronic submission will be consistent with the guidance and requirements put into place by the Office of the Chief Information office.

Process for developing new rule (check all that apply):

- Negotiated rule making
- Pilot rule making
- Agency study
- Other (describe) The Board will request input from interested stakeholders in the development of rule language.

How interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication:

(List names, addresses, telephone, fax numbers, and e-mail of persons to contact; describe meetings, other exchanges of information, etc.)

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