



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:

Amend Title 222 WAC, Forest Practices, related to a small forest landowner option to receive permits effective for a longer term than is currently allowed and specifying content requirements and processing steps of long term plans.

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: This would provide management flexibility to small forest landowners in the timing of their forest practices activities, as well as certainty for continued public resource protection.

Identify other federal and state agencies that regulate this subject and the process coordinating the rule with these agencies:
No other agencies regulate forest practices permits or the effective time periods of forest practices permits.

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 to develop rule language. Also, prior to filing the CR-102 Proposed Rule Making for public review, the Board will also solicit input from counties of the state and the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife per RCW 76.09.040(2), and also the Department of Ecology and tribes.

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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