AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 08-24-011, filed 11/21/08, effective 12/22/08)

WAC 222-08-010 Purpose. The purpose of this chapter is to describe the forest practices board, its organization and administrative procedures, and to provide rules implementing RCW 34.05.220 and chapters 42.52 and 42.56 RCW. The purpose of this chapter is also to set out department of natural resources procedures for administration of the forest practices regulatory program.

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 18-07-012, filed 3/9/18, effective 4/9/18)

WAC 222-08-032 Function, organization, and office. (1) The forest practices board was created by chapter 76.09 RCW to adopt forest practices rules as described in WAC 222-12-010.

(2) The board's membership as described in RCW 76.09.030(5), consists of thirteen members to include:

(a) The commissioner of public lands or the commissioner's designee;

(b) The director of the department of commerce or the director's designee;

(c) The director of the department of agriculture or the director's designee;

(d) The director of the department of ecology or the director's designee;

(e) The director of the department of fish and wildlife or the director's designee;

(f) An elected member of a county legislative authority appointed by the governor so long as that member serves as an elected official;

(g) A member representing a timber products union, appointed by the governor from a list of three names submitted by a timber labor coalition affiliated with a statewide labor organization that represents a majority of the timber product unions in the state; and

(h) Six members of the general public appointed by the governor, one of whom shall be a small forest landowner who actively manages his or her land, and one of whom shall be an independent logging contractor.

(3) The governor-appointed members are appointed to four-year terms.

(4) The commissioner of public lands or designee shall chair the board.

(5) General public members of the board, except public employees and elected officials, shall be compensated in accordance with RCW 43.03.250. Each member shall be entitled to reimbursement for travel expenses incurred in the performance of their duties as provided in RCW 43.03.050 and 43.03.060.

(6) Staff support is provided to the board as provided in RCW 76.09.030((~~(6)~~)) (5). Staff shall perform the following duties under the general authority and supervision of the board:

(a) Act as administrative arm of the board;

(b) Act as records officer to the board;

(c) Coordinate the policies and activities of the board; and

(d) Act as liaison between the board and other public agencies and stakeholders.

(7) The administrative office of the board is located at 1111 Washington Street S.E., Olympia, Washington. The board may sit or hold hearings anywhere in the state. The office hours are 8:00 a.m. to noon and 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except legal holidays and during board meetings. The board may be contacted at:

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Olympia, WA 98504-7012
Phone: 360-902-1400
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(8) Any person may contact the board as indicated in subsection (7) of this section to obtain information on board activities.