

**T/F/W Cultural Resources Roundtable Meeting
May 17, 2011**

**Host: Department of Archaeology and Historic Preservation
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Attendees:

Jeffrey Thomas, Co-Chair	Puyallup Tribe
Pete Heide, Co-Chair	Washington Forest Protection Association
David Powell	Yakama Nation
Gretchen Kaehler	Dept. of Archaeology and Historic Preservation (DAHP)
Lee Stilson	Dept. of Natural Resources - Lands
Sherri Felix	Dept. of Natural Resources - Regulatory
Justine James	Quinault Indian Nation
Robert Bass	Hancock Forest Management

FINAL NOTES

1. Introductions. Everyone knew each other.
2. Agenda. Jeff Thomas provided an agenda prior to the meeting: Introductions, agenda review, approve April meeting Notes, Co-Chair remarks, Action Item list, Forest Practices Board Meeting, Guidance documents, Camp Polson issues, Yakama Nation concerns with Forest Practices HCP, next meeting's agenda items.
3. Meeting Notes for April 19, 2011. The April meeting notes were approved with some edits from Jeffrey.
4. Co-Chair Remarks. Pete said he will make his remarks when we discuss the Forest Practices Board meeting. Jeff's remarks are covered in the Guidance Documents discussion.
5. Action Item List. Pete brought a copy of the Action Item list for everyone to see.
6. Forest Practices Board Meeting. First, the committee's Action Item List and cover memo from the co-chairs was included in the Board's meeting packet as the committee's regular quarterly staff report. The Board had no questions for the co-chairs. Next, the co-chairs presented the charter for the Board's consideration and the Board unanimously accepted the Charter as proposed. We are now the Timber/Fish/Wildlife Cultural Resources Roundtable. We can design a logo for our letterhead. Lastly, the language the Roundtable prepared for WAC 222-20-120, Notice of Forest Practices to Affected Indian Tribes, was presented to the Board in two ways: Pete and Jeff provided a background document for the Board's meeting packet and Sherri, as a staff member, explained the Roundtable's proposed rule changes and asked for "approval" to move the proposed new WAC language to the next step. An amendment was proposed but rejected by a vote of 9 to 2. The Board approved sending the Roundtable's proposed language, unchanged, to the 30-day review by tribes, counties and WDFW. The language was sent out on May 12, 2011 and 30-day comments are due by June

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13, 2011. There will be additional opportunities for review and comment during this rule making.

7. Guidance Documents. Jeff commented that Jim Peters, NWIFC, asked him if tribes were in support of the Charter and Jeff responded that there is little feedback from tribes, so it is hard to know. This led to a discussion of Guidance document 10: Tribal Contact List. Justine said now that we are the Roundtable this is an opportunity for a new outreach. Gretchen offered to draft a letter to DAHP's tribal contact list informing them of the Charter and new name and asking if their tribe has a designated person for cultural resources issues on forest practices. May 18th is the west-side tribes meeting with DAHP and Gretchen asked Jeff to be on the agenda. It is another opportunity to inform tribes about the Roundtable and what we are working on and possibly get the appropriate contact persons for cultural resources issues on forest practices. Pete said we need to get a sample letter for contacting tribes about the landowner-tribe meeting on the web site along with the tribal contact list. Sherri said we will get a basic web site now that we are affiliated with the Forest Practices Board with meeting Notes and the Charter. However, the DNR forest practices web master has taken another job so it will take some time to get it fully developed. Jeff provided a handout of Washington state rules that mention cultural resources. He thinks some of the rules should be included on the web site with full text and others could be summarized with a link to the full text. Jeff has produced a spreadsheet of the rules too, which may be helpful as well, and he will send it out to the Roundtable. Pete is going to call everyone next week to remind them of their assignments. The ten topics with individuals who volunteered to work on them are: 1. "What is a Cultural Resource?" compiled from general information from Forest Practices Illustrated and the CRPMP (Jeffrey); 2. "General Information about Cultural Resources and Your Forest Practices Application" has a draft (Stephenie and Gretchen); 3. "Types of sites commonly found in the forests" (David and Lee); 4. "Landowner-Tribal meeting – What to expect under WAC 222-20-120" has a draft (David, Pete and Stephenie); 5. "Summary of Rules and Statutes & class IVs: Sites and Objects" (Pete); 6. "WAC 222-20-120 Meeting documentation" (Sherri and David); 7. "Tips for Completing a Successful Site Protection Plan" has a draft (Stephenie); 8. "Tips for Completing Question #13 of the SEPA Checklist" (Gretchen); 9. "What to do if you find Human Remains" has a draft (Stephenie); and 10. "Tribal contact List specifically for Forest Practices issues" (Jeffrey).
8. Historic Polson RR Camp issues/recommendations. The incident with Camp Polson illustrates the importance of getting known sites recorded with DAHP and an opportunity for improvement in the forest practices application form, review and classification process. We need to include language in the instructions for question 7 of the Forest Practices Application about historic sites. The Forest Practices review and classification process needs to screen additional available tools including the General Land Office (GLO) maps, old USGS maps and current USGS maps besides the DAHP databases. This may take an extra ten minutes. Lee brought the state lands procedures for reviewing a project for cultural resources and recommended to the Roundtable that Forest Practices consider implementing similar procedures. Writing about historic sites in the instructions for question 7 of the forest practices application should be included in the Action Item list.
9. Yakama Nation's concerns with Forest Practices HCP. David provided copies of letters between the Yakama Nation and the Department of Natural Resources Forest Practices Division (DNR-FP) addressing concerns about proposals in SEPA and the need to conduct cultural resources investigations at the April meeting. In discussing what the Roundtable might do about the issues, Gretchen suggested we write guidance for answering question 13

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of the SEPA checklist. Sherri said there is existing guidance on the Department of Ecology's web site specific to question 13, and she'd look up the existing instructions from the Departments of Ecology and Natural Resources. This is another topic for the Action Item list.

10. Next Meeting. **June 21, 2011 at DAHP in Olympia from 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.** Jeff will send out an agenda about a week before the meeting. Agenda items: 1) Introductions 2) Approve agenda, 3) Approve Notes for May, 4) Co-chair remarks, 5) Action Item List and 6) Guidance Documents. Scheduled meetings through 2011: 6/21, 7/19, 8/16, 9/20, 10/18, 11/15, and 12/20.