

**Cooperative Monitoring Evaluation and Research Committee  
Special Meeting, August 7, 2008  
NWIFC Lower Conference Room  
Draft Notes**

<b>Attendees</b>	<b>Representing</b>
Bakke, Paul	USFWS
*Baldwin, Todd	Kalispel Tribe, SAGE Co-Chair
Cramer, Darin	DNR, Adaptive Management Administrator
*Dieu, Julie	Rayonier, UPSAG Co-Chair
*Ehinger, Bill	DOE
Heckel, Linda	DNR, CMER Coordinator
*Hicks, Mark	DOE
*Jackson, Terry	WDFW, CMER Co-Chair
Kurtenbach, Amy	DNR, CMER Project Manager
*Martin, Doug (ph)	WFPA Contractor
*MacCracken, Jim	Longview Timber
*McConnell, Steve	UCUT
*Mendoza, Chris	Conservation Caucus Contractor
*Miller, Dick	WFFA
*Mobbs, Mark	Quinault Indian Nation
O'Sullivan, Alison	Suquamish Tribe
Stewart, Greg	TESC
*Sturhan, Nancy	NWIFC, CMER Co-chair
Turner, Ted	Weyerhaeuser
*Veldhuisen, Curt	Skagit River System Cooperative

\* indicates official CMER members and alternates

v indicates attended via video-conferencing; ph indicates attended via phone

**Agenda Review - Jackson**

Terry stated that this was a special meeting and the only item on the agenda was to review an urgent budget request from UPSAG. The UPSAG request pertained to the Mass Wasting Prescription Scale Effectiveness Monitoring Study (Post-Mortem study), which was scheduled to have all field work completed prior to November of 2008. This study has been a high priority for the Forest Practices Board (FPB) due to hillslope impacts caused by the December 2007 storm. CMER needed to review and consider moving this budget request on to Policy and the FPB. The policy meeting will be held immediately after this hour-long Special CMER meeting, and the Forest Practices Board is scheduled for the following week on August 13.

**UPSAG Budget Request**

Amy Kurtenbach, CMER Project Manager, presented a budget request from UPSAG to increase the project amount by \$868,400. The widespread distribution of the geology, unique landscape attributes, difficult access to, and the high density of landslides in some clusters resulted in a substantial increase in field data collection costs. In addition, the contractor needs to add field crew members in order to complete 20 - 23 clusters by the end of October

CMER members approved the request but asked UPSAG to come to the next CMER meeting with a breakdown of budget line items (i.e; reporting and data analyses, etc.).

Meeting was adjourned.