

Timber, Fish and Wildlife Policy Committee

Thursday, May 5, 2022 // 9:00 am – 1528pm

Remotely held using Zoom

Motions	
Motion	Move/Second (Vote)
<p>April 2022 Meeting Notes</p> <p><u>Motion:</u></p> <p>Steve Barnowe-Meyer moved to approve April 2022 meeting notes, as amended.</p> <p>This motion passed</p>	<p>Seconded:</p> <p>Darin Cramer</p> <p>Up:</p> <p>Steve Barnowe-Meyer, Court Stanley, Cody Thomas, Marc Engel, Jim Peters, Tom O’Brien, Darin Cramer, Rachel Baker, and Brandon Austin.</p>
<p>Budget Special Meeting Notes</p> <p><u>Motion:</u></p> <p>Steve Barnowe-Meyer moved to approve the Budget Special meeting notes, as amended.</p> <p>This motion passed</p>	<p>Seconded:</p> <p>Court Stanley</p> <p>Up: Darin Cramer, Brandon Austin, Marc Engel, Court Stanley, Jim Peters, Rachel Baker, Cody Thomas, and Steve Barnowe-Meyer.</p> <p>Abstain:</p> <p>Tom O’Brien</p>

Action Items	
Items	Action
Box site information for SFLO Buffer Width Dispute Resolution	Natalie Church to send out invites and instructions
June 2022 Hybrid Meeting	Natalie Church to set up
Look into different scheduling options	Natalie Church and Saboor Jawad to look into this.
Schedule two Budget workgroup and SAO workgroup meetings in May	Natalie Church will follow up
June Meeting	Eastside Forest Health Round Robin FWEP UPSAG RCS Add-on Decision Extensive Monitoring

SFLO Relatively Low Impact PI DR	Saboor Jawad to send work order for mediation.
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NOTES

Welcome, Introductions, and Old Business:

COVID Protocols for Hybrid TFW Policy Meetings: The Ecology building is currently open to the public. All visitors must complete a COVID screening prior to entry. You can either complete the screening on the website or there is a kiosk that you can complete it at the Ecology building. Masks are not required for the public.

Caucus updates: Brandon said Patrick Lizon is leaving Ecology at the end of May. Will have someone fill his position temporarily.

Jim Peters gave an update on Riparian protection with the Tribes and the Governor's office. State agencies are working on a budget proviso. There will be a stakeholder process set up, they are trying to get a facilitator to help with the process. Encouraging all caucus members to participate, there will be an invitation/request being sent out.

Cody Thomas is now the voting member for the Eastside Tribes.

Rachel Baker announced that Alec Brow will be returning on May 23rd and he will be stepping into his regular position.

Marc Engel announced that this is Steve Barnowe-Meyer's last TFW Policy meeting. Marc Engel, Brandon Austin, Jim Peters, and Court Stanley thanked Steve and said that they appreciated all his work that he has done to help TFW Policy.

Meeting scheduling process:

Natalie Church reviewed the process that she and Saboor Jawad had discussed to be followed to help scheduling meetings. With every mailing she will send a document that needs to be filled out by all voting members and sent back prior to the monthly TFW Policy meetings. She also asked that people send any updates to their schedule throughout the month so that she is able to keep up on the schedules for each voting member. She will list the meetings that are already scheduled for that month on the document and at the bottom of the agenda.

Feedback was given that there should be a different way of getting Natalie the voting members schedule for the month. Suggestions of finding an app or a platform that can connect all of the calendars. Tom O'Brien suggested that we set aside one day a week or every other week for Policy work. Natalie Church stated that she appreciated the feedback and will talk with Saboor Jawad to come up with a better solution to help the scheduling process.

Natalie Church asked who is planning on coming to the in-person meeting in June. Darin Cramer, Ken Miller, Marc Engel, Jim Peters, Brandon Austin, Court Stanley, Cody Thomas, and Tom O'Brien listed that they are planning on coming to the June in-person meeting.

Forest Practices Board May Agenda Update:

Marc went through each agenda item one-by-one giving a brief description of what each item was and what is planned to be presented to the Board. Brandon Austin discussed what Ecology is planning on presenting to the Board. Meghan Tuttle and Marc Engel will discuss the comments on the dispute resolution process. Brandon Austin asked about the RCS Add-on and if we were going to be discussing this item. Marc Engel stated that they did have a discussion about the RCS Add-on and plan on discussing this at the June TFW Policy meeting.

FY 2024-2025 MPS recommendations to the Board:

Saboor Jawad reviewed the MPS recommendations that will be presented to the Board at the May FPB meeting. Saboor went through a PowerPoint that he created about the FY 2024-2025 MPS recommendations. This presentation has been posted to the TFW Policy website.

Key Dates:

May 15th: Program staff completes consultation with Project Teams/SAGs and provide best estimate of projected costs for ongoing projects.

June 2nd: Policy receives draft MPS for review

July 7th: Policy considers accepting draft MPS

Two budget workgroup meetings need to be completed in the month of May 2022

July 10th: OFM shares FFSA revenue data and projections

August 10th: Board considers approval of MPS and directs DNR to request funding.

Open for discussion:

Marc and Brandon requested to have the PP sent out to the Policy members.

Marc asked about the July 10th timeframe and how this affects the MPS even if Policy already approved. If there is a budget group or a special meeting of Policy before the Forest Practices Board mailing can we make sure our budget fits with the FFSA revenue? Saboor Jawad responded saying that it is his understanding that DNR is shaping their request based on how much to request from each funding source. If there is a change then DNR would need to ask for a general funds increase. It doesn't affect the developing of the MPS and the overall project priorities and the cost will not affect it. The date is not flexible as we will not receive the information until mid-July.

Tom O'Brien discussed that it is his expectation that the information that the workgroup has completed is not sent to the full committee to be redone and should only be a decision making process. Darin Cramer expressed his concern that the 2-two hour meetings will not be enough time to complete what needs to be done. More time is needed to complete what needs to be done.

SAO Report Recommendations:

Saboor Jawad reviewed the SAO Report recommendations presentation. He will present recommendation #5 (Net Gains) and #6 (Decision-Making) at the FPB November meeting.

- #5 Net Gains Next Steps
 - Multi-criteria decision making
 - **Clarify process for outside science** settle agreement

- **Set clear AMP priorities** (does conform settlement agreement)
- **Lengthen dispute resolution timeline** (Does not conform with settlement agreement)
- Initiate reform dialogue with CMER
- Develop Guidance or manual for TFW Policy

Bolded points are the ones discussed out of the six listed. Saboor Jawad asked if it was still worth it to work on lengthening dispute resolution timeline. Also, how will we do so?

Jim Peters explained that his caucus does not have a problem with lengthening the timeline up to a point. If it goes more than eight months his caucus will have an issue with it. He suggested that if the decision to lengthen the timeline is made then the dispute needs to be called earlier. Jim suggested to combine stage 1 and 2 or if not able to get consensus then automatically moves to stage 2 after a certain amount of time. Ken Miller is in agreement with Jim Peter's comments. He does not see a need to lengthen the timeline, just need to work on the process of the dispute resolutions. Darin Cramer does not feel like we need to have a different timeframe, we need to recognize that there is a struggle with the process. Court Stanley brought up that scheduling is the bigger issue, not the timeline length. The momentum is lost because of the lag in scheduling. Marc Engel suggested to change the word from lengthen. Steve Barnowe-Meyer suggested that we do not need to get rid of "lengthening timeline" but clarifying the process and also explained that there is always room for improvement in both CMER and Policy dispute resolutions. There is a need to schedule a 2-hour meeting by the end of the month of May.

Conclusion of Stage 2 of SFLO Buffer Width Dispute:

Meghan Tuttle explained that the AMP staff will gather documents for the dispute and keep up to date. There was a discussion on the science since the discussion that previously taken place was more on the process and policy perspective. Meghan Tuttle and Marc Engel are working on a template to see how we would like to have the reports organized to prep for the Board meeting. Need to have the minority and majority report material by July 7th. Ken Miller asked to have an explanation of the report and what it looks like when it is completed. Meghan Tuttle explained that there will be a cover letter from the Co-Chairs that will give history of the dispute, information from Stage 1 of the dispute, and then a summary of Stage 2. The next would be the template of the reports given by the caucuses so that it will be easier for the Board to understand. Saboor Jawad explained that each would need to report on the same topics. That way the template/report that will be submitted to the Board will be able to be understood. He asked what should be included into the majority/minority reports. Ken Miller suggested the four different prescriptions which are fish bearing streams at 75' **Type S&F** buffer, 50' **Type S&F** buffer, 25' **Type S&F** buffer, 25' Type Np buffer. Discussion of the listed topics on page 15 of the Fulcrum Report given are something that would need to be the topics of this report. Ken Miller stated that he did not feel there is much to be used. Court Stanley stated that we could look into what each caucus could live with going forward may not help in the end but could help the Board come to agreement. Meghan Tuttle asked what science should be included. Ken Miller suggested to use the science from the SJ, **CFS/Teply, and ISPR**. Brandon Austin explained that the SJ and that the Teply and Martin Report was helpful. Darin Cramer explained that as taking a general approach he does not find any issue with the findings. He said that it was somewhat helpful. Rachel Baker does not feel like she can give much feedback because she has not been a part of this discussion and will not be following up with this. Jim Peters explained that it would be helpful in

structuring our reports. Natalie Church explained how to log into the Box website to see all of the documents for the dispute. She also explained that she would be sending out an invitation for everyone to be able to log into the folder on the Box website. It was discussed that Ken Miller will send Natalie Church the materials/documents that he has so she can upload the documents to the Box folder.

SFLO Relatively Low Impact PI DR Update:

WFFA invoked Stage 2 of this dispute today and also sent an email in April. Would like to have mediation to start as quickly as possible. Saboor Jawad will be sending out the work order for mediation tomorrow. Darin Cramer asked DNR and WFFA: to clearly explain the distinguishing difference between the two highlighted statements on the document and why they need to be different. Ken Miller replied to Darin Cramer by explaining that assertion that the RCW and WACs are very clear and stated what is intended for the SFLO. Language has been nuanced and WFFA would like to have the language be more definite. There is a possibility that the Board are the ones that should make this decision. DNR does not feel that same way. Marc Engel discussed that this is not something they would want to send to a stakeholders group. This dispute is on interpretive legislative standard and statute interpretation.

Update on WDFW Science Review of the AMP:

Saboor Jawad and Timothy Quinn gave an update on WDFW Science Review of the AMP. Timothy Quinn suggested that each TFW Policy member should work with Gretchen to schedule interviews.

Eastside Forest Health Strategy:

Lori Clark reviewed the Eastside Forest Health Strategy and what was discussed at the April 2022 CMER meeting. It was discussed to add this to the June TFW Policy meeting so we can have Todd Baldwin there to respond and answer any questions that come up.

CMER Updates:

Chris Mendoza gave a brief update for each project listed on the CMER SAG Updates document that was sent with mailing prior to the meeting.

Reviewed Motions and Action Points

Attendees by Caucus

*Caucus representative

Conservation Caucus

Chris Mendoza (CMER co-chair)

*Rachel Baker (WEC)

Peter Goldman

County Caucus

*Court Stanley
Kendra Smith (Skagit)

Large Industrial Landowner Caucus

*Darin Cramer (WFPA)
Meghan Tuttle (Weyerhaeuser/ co-chair) arrived at 1110 -1200 1410
Joe Murray (WFPA)
Doug Hooks (WFPA)

Small Forest Landowner

*Steve Barnowe-Meyer (WFFA)
*Ken Miller (WFFA)
Jenny Knoth (WFFA/CMER co-chair)

State Caucus

*Brandon Austin (ECY)
*Tom O'Brien (WDFW)
Darric Lowery (WDFW)

Westside Tribal Caucus

*Jim Peters (NWIFC)
Ash Roorbach (NWIFC)
Mark Mobbs

Eastside Tribal Caucus

*Cody Thomas (UCUT)
Ray Entz

Adaptive Management Program/CMER Staff

Saboor Jawad (AMPA)
Lori Clark (DNR)
Anna Toledo (DNR)
Alexander Prescott (DNR)
Jenny Schofield (DNR)
Natalie Church (DNR)
Jenelle Black (CMER Science Staff)

DNR Staff:

*Marc Engel
Tracey Hawkins (DNR)

*Voting member

John Heimburg