# TEANAWAY COMMUNITY FOREST





### December 13, 2018

#### In Attendance

Advisory Committee Andrea Imler Andrew Cromarty Brian Straniti Dale Bambrick Paul Schmitt Urban Eberhart

Deborah Essman Doug Schindler Jeri Downs John Littel Tip Hudson

Kitty Craig Martha Wyckoff Michael Callahan Nicky Pasi Tom Ring

Agency Staff Meg Wallmow Larry Leach Mike Livingston Travis Serdar

Joe Smith Ross Huffman Stephanie Margheim William Meyer Doug McClelland Jeff Burnham Ryan DeKnikker Scott Nicolai

**Meeting Purpose:** Meet new staff, introduction to YBIP, review the recreation plan, legislative updates, meeting updates – grazing, stream restoration, review community partnership efforts and discuss advisory committee logistics for 2019.

**Welcome:** Introductions, meet new committee members, and review agenda. Review of October 2018 meeting notes.

# Discussion about Advisory Committee (Mike Livingston & Larry Leach)

- Committee Charter
  - There was discussion about appointing a committee chair, executive team or a fluid position/group to help draft meeting agendas and facilitate the quarterly meetings in order for the committee to take more ownership in the process and community engagement.
  - It was also discussed how long a term should be and whether or not the terms should be staggered in order to maintain some committee continuity. Some positions would be maintained by agency representatives or groups mandated by the legislature to be represented.

#### Final Recreation Plan Discussion (Doug McClelland)

On December 6, 2018 the WDFW Director and DNR Commissioner signed the recreation plan, which is now part of the whole management plan. Thank you Doug and Laura for all of your hard work on the recreation plan!

Public Comments: No comments from the public.

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# 2019 Work Plan

Now that the recreation plan is complete, it's time to start implementing the recreation plan and continuing to implement the management plan.

Agency work coming up:

- Two grants to renovate Teanaway Camp and Indian Camp. There will be camping area closures while equipment is working (will keep closures as short as possible).
- There will be some forest health work wrapping up in the spring. The Teanaway Watershed is part of the 20-year Forest Health Strategy. DNR has to perform a forest health need assessment in the next year and a half. There will be a capital request through the forest health program to help implement projects to deal with those needs across all ownerships.
- Fencing contract work
- Working with partners: WTA would like to help with trail work outlined in the plan, the Greenway has been talking about working on some projects, and Evergreen Mountain Bike Alliance will be meeting with DNR shortly about trail work outlined in the plan.
- Cultural Resource surveys are the main bottleneck for projects right now, there's a DNR ask to develop a Cultural Resources Management Plan for the Teanaway Community Forest.
- Develop content for interpretive signage for campgrounds and the whole Community Forest.
- Plan spring/fall work parties for laydown fencing as well as other projects.
- Updates will be given at the quarterly meetings.

# Grazing Monitoring Results (Jeff Burnham & William Meyer)

73% compliance (8 of 11 sub-basins) in 2018, which is up from 55% in 2017.

Agencies are working on a fencing contract to install three more sections of fence. There is a need to have volunteers put up the lay down fence by the first week of May and then to take it down after grazing in the late fall.

# Stream Restoration Update (Ryan DeKnikker & Scott Nicolai)

The "Wood Fiesta" wood replenishment project placed 5,500 logs in 9 miles of Teanaway tributaries (Jungle, Rye, Lick, Indian, Middle, Dickey, First, Carlson). The wood was harvested from forest health thinning units in the LT Murray and from the Jolly Mountain fire break.

# Legislative Updates (Larry Leach)

TCF Capital Request: \$1.8M, which includes: baseline data collection, cultural resources plan, geomorphology assessment, finishing RMAP barrier removals, range infrastructure, forest health, items for recreation plan implementation.

TCF Operating Request was rolled in with a larger DNR request.

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## Goal 5 Update (Nicky Pasi)

- The Goal 5 group (G5) is going to review legislative committee assignments and schedule meetings with members of those committees. G5 will let the committee know when the appointments are so they can participate. G5 is working on a 15 second elevator pitch and updating the one sheet.
- Working with DNR on the interpretive signage project.
- The TCF photo contest has about 35 entries extending the deadline through January 30, 2019.
- In February there will be a volunteer appreciation event where awards will be given to the photo contest winners and folks can sign up for TCF volunteer opportunities in 2019. More to come on the community engagement opportunity.

# Next Meeting: March 14<sup>th</sup> at the Swauk Teanaway Grange