

Forest and Fish Policy Meeting
October 6, 2011

Decisions and Actions Meeting Notes

In Attendance:

Marc Engel, DNR
Ken Miller, WFFA
Marty Acker, NOAA
Donelle Mahan, DNR
Doug Hooks, WFFA
Josh Weiss, WSAC
Jim Peters, NWIFC
Stephen Bernath, Ecology, Co-chair
Terry Jackson, WDFW
Kendra Smith, Skagit Co.
Peter Goldman, WFLC
Chris Mendoza, Conservation Caucus
Kevin Godbout, Weyerhaeuser
Peter Heide, WFFA
Brian Fransen, Weyerhaeuser
Darin Cramer, DNR
Mark Mobbs, Quinault Nation

By Telephone:

Curt Veldhuisen, Skagit Systems Co-op
Dave Powers, EPA

Business Update:

Policy members accepted the policy meeting notes for July, August, and September 2011.

CMER Update:

CMER co-chairs reported to Policy that there are potentially six projects to present at a CMER science conference. This is enough for half a day. CMER members agreed to have the afternoon session cover the structure and process of the Adaptive Management Program and invite other organizations with habitat conservation plans. The date is March 27, 2012 for the science conference.

CMER is updating the CMER Protocols & Standards Manual (PSM) through the work of a sub group.

CMER has organized a work group to develop CMER responses to the *Stillwater Science Report – April 2009*. The intent is to fold in CMER's responses into the task list once CMER has approved the response matrix. A completed report will be shared with Policy and this will be posted on the CMER website.

SAG co-chairs: SAGE has filled the co-chair position vacated by Todd Baldwin. Chad McCrea from the Spokane Tribe of Indians has stepped into the co-chair role. RSAG needs a co-chair as Lyle Almond has stepped down. CMER needs more co-chairs to distribute the workload and provide leadership.

Policy Work List Priorities for 2012:

Policy co-chairs developed a summary of the top work priorities for Policy to work on in 2012. The entitled summary *Water Typing and a Type N Strategy* e-mailed to Policy members on Friday, September 30, 2011. A sub-group of Forests & Fish Policy members will meet to develop a charter as agreed to by Policy. The sub-group will use previously approved templates for developing the charter. DNR is tasked with providing a blank template for the sub-group. The Policy sub-group representatives are: Stephen Bernath, Adrian Miller, Marty Acker, Terry Jackson/David Whipple, Peter Goldman, Kendra Smith/Josh Weiss, Marc Engel/Darin Cramer, Pete Heide and Curt Veldhuisen. The sub-group will meet at Department of Ecology on October 12, 2011 from 1:00–4:00 pm. A conference call is set for sub-group members whom are unable to attend in person.

Strategic Plan:

Policy members were asked to address any concerns, comments or revisions to the status update on the *Forest Practices Adaptive Management Program Strategic Goals, Objectives and Tasks* to Jim Hotvedt, AMPA.