

Rule Making and Board Manual Action Plan

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The action plan reflects the coordination of DNR staff and stakeholders and contracted work to sequence the rulemakings and Sections of the BM.

DNR will provide a rulemaking and board manual guidance update at every quarterly meeting of the Board.

Updates may include requests for additional Board actions.

Present:

- **Update on Water Typing System Rulemaking**
- **Update on Type Np Water Buffer Rulemaking**
- **Board Manual Action**



Water Typing System Rulemaking

Approval to sequence the completion of the water typing system rule before the Type Np Water rule

Initiation of the completion of the water typing system rulemaking packet incorporating approved additional Board elements, including:

- Methods to locate the type F/N break on the ground; and ensure the methods provide the ability to be applied by small forest landowners;
- Be consistent with fish habitat as defined in rule; and
- Incorporate AFF definition “measurable physical stream characteristics downstream from which anadromous fish habitat is presumed and an agreement that the AFF would establish the location upstream of which fish protocol surveys may begin under fish habitat assessment methodology.”



Water Typing System Rulemaking

Draft rule

- DNR internal stakeholders, 2 meetings
- External Stakeholders
- Goal to meet in late February

Spatial analysis

- Require contract
- SOW

CBA/SBEIS

- Reconvene Economic Workgroup in April 2023
- Contract, initiate in March 2023



Water Typing System Rulemaking

SEPA

BM Sec 23

CR-102 in November 2023

CR-103 in May 2024



Type Np Water Buffer Rule

Initiation of the Type Np Water buffer rulemaking using the majority report buffer recommendations

Draft rule

- DNR internal stakeholders, 2 meetings
- External Stakeholders

Spatial analysis

- Type Np Water analysis will be conducted after Water Typing System analysis is completed



Type Np Water Buffer Rule

CBA/SBEIS

- New contract will be required
- Economic Workgroup

SEPA

BM Sec 23

CR-102 in February 2024

CR-103 in August 2024



BM Section 21, Guidelines for Alternate Plans

The Board approved recommendations to amend BM Section 21 to:

Consolidate existing board manual alternate plan guidance into a new part devoted to technical guidance for small forest landowners;

Follow the Key Points of Agreement agreed to by the SFL and DNR caucuses;

Provide guidance on how to access the DNR Small Forest Landowner Office for online assistance and how to contact DNR Regions for field assistance; and

Reinsert previous Board-approved "Imminent Mortality" guidance back into BM Sec. 21.

DNR is forming internal group to prepare draft guidance for Stakeholder review

Stakeholder group is being assembled



BM Section 22, Guidelines for the Adaptive Management Program

Policy is developing an action plan for the additions to BM Section 22 to present to the Board in May 2023 to address:

SAO Recommendation #5

Implement a “net gains” approach to each proposal, project, and decision that benefits more than one caucus by considering packages of projects instead of individual projects

SAO Recommendation #6

Adopt decision criteria for determining actions that will occur depending on project results before those results have been found

