

Timber, Fish, & Wildlife Policy Committee
Policy's Task List

The following is a task list that tracks tasks to be done or recently completed by the TFW Policy Committee.

Task List

Ongoing Tasks (<i>priority levels: high; medium; low</i>)	Tasks To Do	Completed Tasks
<p><u>Task:</u> Determine Type F/N regulatory break; implement permanent water typing rules; identify fish habitat <u>Owner:</u> Policy Committee; various subgroups (both technical and policy) <u>Priority:</u> High **Note that Policy is complete with its part and the Board has directed a technical group to work on PHB definition.**</p>	<p><u>Task:</u> Review by rule group the relevant L-1 questions, resource objectives, thresholds, and critical questions, then revisit as projects come up for approval. Type N and Wetlands rule groups are done. Review the remaining in this order: Unstable Slopes, Type F, Roads, Fish Passage, Pesticides, and CMZs. <u>Owner:</u> Policy Committee</p>	<p><u>Task:</u> Develop a Wetlands Research Strategy <u>Owner:</u> WETSAG/CMER/Policy <u>Date complete:</u> January 2015</p>
<p><u>Task:</u> Review and respond to the AMPA's <i>Recommendations for Implementing the Unstable Slopes Proposal Initiation</i> (deep-seated and shallow-rapid landslides) <u>Owner:</u> Policy Committee <u>Priority:</u> High</p>	<p><u>Task:</u> Revisit the mass wasting research strategy with UPSAG. Include a review of the L-1 questions. <u>Owner:</u> Policy/UPSAG</p>	<p><u>Task:</u> Groundwater recharge areas <u>Owner:</u> UPSAG <u>Date complete:</u> November 2014</p>
<p><u>Task:</u> SFLOs Westside Alternate Template <u>Owner:</u> SFLOs Template Subgroup <u>Priority:</u> Medium</p>	<p><u>Task:</u> Review Hard Rock study chapters. <u>Owner:</u> Policy, once chapters are ready from CMER. **Likely to begin in October 2017.**</p>	
<p><u>Task:</u> Develop an action plan to complete implementation of Type N strategy with respect to UMPPF location. <u>Owner:</u> Policy Committee</p>		

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- CMER streamlining, including:
 - How to maintain science/policy firewall (discussion with CMER and Policy).
 - LEAN process – consider how to increase efficiency and speed up timeline.
 - Increase CMER’s capacity and/or efficiency to do more projects, especially with the additional funding in 2015-17 biennium.
- How to make a stronger coalition for environmental issues that includes diverse stakeholder groups (like the Washington Watershed Restoration Initiative).
- How Policy decides to move an informal conversation into a formal process/discussion (like with off-channel habitat discussion).
- Risk tolerance and how much Policy decides to tolerate.
- How to incorporate and improve forest health and fire prevention.
- AMP communications and outreach strategy for important decisions.
- Economic impact analysis: define and discuss need for economic impact analyses, including what, when, why, by who, etc.
- Eastside performance targets.
- How to proceed with extensiveness monitoring related to fish passage.
- Climate change – consider if and how climate change should be considered in the AMP.
- Determine timing and coordination between compliance monitoring and effectiveness monitoring projects. Compliance monitoring is a DNR program, not part of the AMP, yet still has implications on the work of the AMP.

Note: Two tasks for DNR, not Policy:

- Board Manual review/revisions
- Conduct an independent review once every 10 years on the structure, process, and performance of the AMP. To be done by an independent 3rd-party research organization and to include considerations such as: structure and function for technical performance, fiscal efficiency, and overall accountability; performance and efficiency of the consensus-based decision process; the rigor of CMER science and responsiveness of CMER to body of Pacific Northwest science; and the interactions of science and policy.