

## Quarterly Progress Report January – March 2010

**Project Name:** RMZ Resample Project  
**Project Status:** Final Report  
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**Sponsoring SAG:** Landscape and Wildlife Science Advisory Group (LWAG)

### Background:

This project evaluated the effects of upland forest harvest and riparian management zone retention on the abundance and diversity of songbirds, small mammals, and terrestrial amphibians in managed forests of eastern and western Washington using two buffer configurations (state regulations and a modified version of the state regulations). Data was collected during three sampling intervals: pre-harvest (1992 and 1993), two-years post-harvest (1995 and 1996), and ten-years post-harvest (2003 and 2004). LWAG reviewed and approved a draft final report of the ten-years post-harvest sampling interval in winter of 2007. It was approved by CMER and has gone through ISPR. ISPR comments were received November 2009.

### Current Status:

The ISPR comments have been incorporated into the response matrix. LWAG is recommending that these revisions not be made at this time. There is not a contractor on contract to revise the report, and the cost of addressing these changes in the report will be difficult to accommodate at this time. At some future time when internal capacity or contracting monies become available, Policy and CMER may consider revising the report to incorporate the ISPR comments. This was discussed with CMER in March and they would like LWAG to revisit this discussion in December when they have more capacity.

### Budget:

Total project budget through fiscal year 2010:	\$822,540
Total allocated for fiscal year 2010:	\$0
Total spent through June 2009:	\$807,540
Total budget remaining:	\$0 (\$15,000 was not spent by original contractor)