



## BLANCHARD FOREST ADVISORY COMMITTEE CHARTER

### Established

The Department of Natural Resources (DNR) establishes the Blanchard Forest Advisory Committee as set forth in the Blanchard Forest Management Strategies adopted by the Commissioner of Public Lands, on August 16, 2007. The strategies are based on a set of conceptual strategies developed and recommended by the 10-member Blanchard Forest Strategies Group.

### Purpose

The Blanchard Forest Advisory Committee is created as a community-based entity to advise the DNR concerning site specific activities related to the implementation of the Blanchard Forest Management Strategies.

### Function

The Blanchard Forest Advisory Committee (Advisory Committee) will assist DNR operational decision making with recommendations for management of Blanchard Forest. The Advisory Committee shall evaluate DNR planned activities against the strategies contained in the Blanchard Forest Management Strategies, using an interest-based approach, and make consensus recommendations to the DNR Facilitator. DNR will strive, to the extent possible, to adopt Advisory Committee consensus recommendations but retains the final decision-making authority.

### Sideboards

Advisory Committee recommendations to DNR must be:

- Consistent with the Blanchard Forest Management Strategies and all laws and policies guiding state forest trust land management.
- Provided in a timely manner – generally within a 30 day period – or as otherwise agreed upon by the DNR Facilitator and the Advisory Committee in a written format.

### Membership

The Advisory Committee shall be comprised of approximately 13 members. Following informal consultation with various interest groups, agencies and individuals, the Commissioner of Public Lands will appoint individuals to represent most or all of the following interests:

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| • Organized non-motorized recreation group | • Conservation/forest ecologist |
| • Trust beneficiary                        | • Community member              |
| • Forest landowner/industry/forest manager | • State agency                  |
| • Land trust                               | • Business                      |
|  | • Education                     |

### Membership Term on Committee

The DNR will replace committee members at such time they are no longer able to participate.

### Organization – Meetings

The DNR Facilitator will schedule meetings with the Advisory Committee. Meetings will be open to the public. At the discretion of the Advisory Committee, opportunities for public comment can be provided.

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