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The Washington Forest Practices Board

WHO THEY ARE AND WHAT THEY DO

The Board's legislative mandate

The Washington Forest Practices Board was established in 1975 by the Legislature under the state Forest Practices Act. By law, the board is charged with establishing rules to protect the state's natural resources while maintaining a viable timber industry.

Those rules, as embodied in the Washington Administrative Code (WAC), specifically consider what effects various forest practices have on fish, wildlife and water quality, as well as on capital improvements of the state or its political subdivisions.

A forest practice is defined as an activity carried out on forestland that relates to the growing, harvesting or processing of timber. Some examples include logging, thinning, road construction, brush control, fertilization, and land conversions.

DNR staffs the board

The Washington Forest Practices Board is an independent state agency. However, because the Commissioner of Public Lands both administers the Washington State Department of Natural Resources (DNR) and chairs the Board, DNR provides staff support for the Board. The Forest Practices Act also requires DNR to administer and enforce all board-adopted rules.

Rules involving water quality protection are adopted by the Board with agreement from the Washington Department of Ecology.

Designated board representatives

- State law constitutes the 13-member Board as follows:
- Commissioner of Public Lands or designee: Board Chair
- Washington Community, Trade and Economic Development Director or designee
- Washington State Ecology Director or designee
- Washington State Agriculture Director or designee
- Washington State Fish and Wildlife Director or designee
- An elected member of a county commission or council appointed by the Governor
- One member representing a timber products union appointed by the Governor
- Six members of the general public, appointed by the Governor for a four-year term. The law requires
 one member to be a small forest landowner who actively manages his or her land; another member
 must be an independent logging contractor.

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Forest Practices Board meeting dates and membership

The Forest Practices Board meets quarterly on the second Wednesday of February, May, August and November. The Board or the chair may also call special meetings as needed.

Current members include:

- Chair Aaron Everett, Washington Department of Natural Resources (DNR)
- Bill Little, timber products union representative
- Bob Guenther, general public member and small forest landowner
- Brent Davies, general public member
- Carmen Smith, general public member and independent logging contractor
- Court Stanley, general public member
- Dave Hererra, general public member
- Dave Somers, elected County Commissioner
- Heather Ballash, Washington Department of Commerce
- Joe Stohr, Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife
- Kirk Cook, Washington Department of Agriculture
- Paula Swedeen, general public member
- Tom Laurie, Washington Department of Ecology

Rule making process

Board rule adoptions follow state legal requirements and include opportunities for public input while rules are being developed. After rules are officially proposed, one or more rule making hearings are held. Written comments may also be submitted.

The most efficient way to contact the Board is to mail or e-mail your comments to Board staff at DNR in Olympia. Staff will place your comments in the official Board correspondence files and will distribute a copy to each board member.

Address comments to: FPB Rules Coordinator, DNR Forest Practices Division, PO Box 47012, Olympia, WA 98504-7012.

Phone: 360-902-1413 FAX: 360-902-1428

TTY: (Washington State Telecommunications Relay Service 800-833-6388)

E-mail: forest.practicesboard@dnr.wa.gov

For upcoming meeting dates, rule making hearings, and approved meeting minutes, visit the Forest Practices Board web page: www.dnr.wa.gov/AboutDNR/BoardsCouncils/FPB/Pages/Home.aspx or go to www.dnr.wa.gov and select 'Board & Councils' under the heading 'About DNR'

Obtaining more information

Members of the public who wish to receive Board information can do so by registering an email address at http://www.dnr.wa.gov/BusinessPermits/Topics/OtherInteragencyInformation/Pages/bc_fp_agendas_minutes_aspx. Click on "E-Subscribe" under "Related Links" and select your subjects of interest for notification. You can change or cancel your subscription at any time, either by selecting a link in any notification email or by updating your user profile. "E-Subscribe" is a service provided free of charge by the Department of Natural Resources. Your email address will only be used to register you for email notifications and to allow you to access your account.

COMMONLY USED ACRONYMS IN FOREST PRACTICES

AAG	Assistant Attorney General	III-14	Class III 14 Day Review
ALTC	Area Likely To Convert	III-14 III-30	Class III Forest Practices Application with 30-
AMA	Adaptive Management Area	111-30	day review
AMP	Adaptive Management Program	ISB	Information Services Board (Part of
	Adaptive Management Program Administrator	13D	Department of Information Services)
AMPA AP	Alternate Plan	ITP	Incidental Take Permit – Federal
		IV-G	
BAP BMP	Brief Adjudicated Proceeding	14-0	Class IV-General Forest Practices Application – Conversion and other land use
CHEA	Best Management Practice Cooperative Habitat Enhancement Agreement	IV-S	Class IV-Special Forest Practices Application
		JARPA	
CMER	Cooperative Monitoring, Evaluation and Research Committee	LHZ	Joint Aquatic Resources Permit Application Landslide Hazard Zone
CM7		LLPP	Landowner Landscape Pilot Plan
CMZ	Channel Migration Zone	LLP	
COHP	Conversion Option Harvest Plan	LOP	Landowner Landscape Plan Landowner Option Plan
CPCNCA	Civil Penalty	LSR	Late Successional Reserve
CRGNSA	Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area	LTA	
CSA	(Northern Spotted Owl) Conservation Support	LSR	Long Term Application Late Successional Reserve
CIVA	Area	LWD	
CWA	Clean Water Act	LWD	Large Woody debris – logs in streams-
DAHP	Department of Archaeology and historic Preservation		sometimes called LOD (Large Organic Debris)
JL1.	Diameter Breast Height of a tree (4.5 feet	MM	Marbled Murrelet
dbh		MDNS	Mitigated Determination of Non-significance
DEIG	above the ground)	MDNS MM	Marbled Murrelet
DEIS DFC	Draft Environmental Impact Statement	MOCA	Managed Owl Conservation Area
DOE	Desired Future Condition (riparian)	NCASI	National Council for Air and Stream
DFW	Department of Ecology Department of Fish and Wildlife	NCASI	Improvement (timber industry research group)
DFW	Department of Pish and Whathe Department of Natural Resources	NEPA	National Environmental Policy Act – Federal
DNS	Determination of Non-significance	NEFA	Law
DNS	Determination of Non-significance	NHB	National Hydrography Dataset
ECY	Department of Ecology	NOID	Notice of Intent to Disapprove
EIS	Environmental Impact Statement	NMFS	National Marine Fisheries Service
EPA	Environmental Protection Agency	NOAA	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Agency
ESA	Endangered Species Act – Federal law	NOM	(NOAA Fisheries)
ESU	Evolutionary Significant Unit	NOC	Notice of Correction
FEIS	Final Environmental Impact Statement	NRB	Natural Resources Building
FFFPP	Family Forest Fish Passage Program	NSO	Northern Spotted Owl
FFR	Forest & Fish Report	NTC	Notice to Comply
FPA/N	Forest Practices Application/ Notification	NWI	National Wetlands Inventory
FPAB	Forest Practices Appeals Board	NWIFC	Northwest Indian Fisheries Commission
FPARS	Forest Practices Application Review System	OAG	Office of the Attorney General
FPRAT	Forest Practices Risk Assessment Tool	OESF	Olympic Experimental State Forest
FPST	Forest Practices Science Team	POG	Priorities of Government
FREP	Forest Riparian Easement Program	RCO	Recreation and Conservation Office
FPB	Forest Practices Board	RCW	Revised Code of Washington – Statute, Laws
FPI	Forest Practices Illustrated	RD	Relative Density
GIS	Geographic Information System	REIT	Real Estate Investment Trust
GRT	Green Recruitment Trees	RMAP(S)	Road Maintenance & Abandonment Plans
GWRA	Groundwater Recharge Area	RMZ	Riparian Management Zone
HCP	Habitat Conservation Plan	ROH	Rate of Harvest
HAU	Hydrologic Analysis Unit	ROS	Rain on Snow
HPA	Hydraulics Permit Approval - WDFW Permits	ROSP	Riparian Open Space Program
IA	Implementation Agreement or Interagency	RPF	Resource Protection Forester
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ICN	Informal Conference Note		
ICRAG	Intertribal Cultural Resources Advisory Group		
ICS	Incident Command System		
IDT	Interdisciplinary Team		
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SAG Scientific Advisory Group, a sub-group of

CMER

UPSAG- Upslope RSAG- Riparian ISAG- In stream BTSAG- Bull Trout

LWAG- Landscape and Wildlife

SAGE- Scientific Advisory Group- Eastside

WETSAG- Wetlands

SDEIS Supplemental Draft Environmental Impact

Statement

SEPA State Environmental Policy Act
SFLO Small Forest Landowner Office
SHPO State Historic Preservation Officer
SOSEA Spotted Owl Special Emphasis Area
Srfboard Salmon Recovery Funding Board
SWMP Specialized Wildlife Management Plan

SWO Stop Work Order

TAV Technical Assistance Visit

TAVCN Technical Assistance Visit Compliance Notice TIMO Timber Investment management organization

TFW Timber, Fish and Wildlife

TFW PC Timber/Fish/Wildlife Policy Committee
TDML Total Daily Maximum Load - refers to water

quality

TRAXS Total Resource Access Cross - Reference

System

UCUT Upper Columbia United Tribes USFS United States Forest Services

USFWS United States Fish and Wildlife Service

VBM Vertical Bed Movement WA Watershed Analysis

WAC Washington Administrative Code – Rule

WAM Watershed Analysis Manual

WAR Watershed Analysis Report (for each WAU

where WA has been carried out)

WAU Watershed Administrative Unit

WDA Washington Department of Agriculture
WDOE Washington Department of Ecology
WDOT Washington Department of Transportation

WDFW Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

WEC Washington Environmental Council

WEYCO Weyerhaeuser Company

WFFA Washington Farm Forestry Association

WFLC Washington Forest Law Center

WFPA Washington Forest Protection Association

WGS Western Gray Squirrel
WMZ Wetland Management Zone
WRT Wildlife Reserve Trees
WRIA Water Resource Inventory Area

WTMF Water Typing Modification Form

KEY FOR EVALUATION OF SITE SPECIFIC USE OF AERIALLY APPLIED PESTICIDES

Question	Question	Resp	Action
1 (a)	Is the pesticide on the pesticide list (WAC 222-16-070(1))?		go to 2
		No	go to 1(b)
1 (b)	Is the pesticide being used under a Dept of Agriculture Experimental Use	Yes	Class III
	Permit (WAC 16-228-1460)?	No	Class IV Sp
2	Is the toxicity rating for the pesticide to be used "Danger - Poison" as	Yes	Class IV Sp
	designated in the pesticide list (WAC 222-16-070(1)(b))?	No	go to 3(a)
3 (a)	Is Bacillus thuringiensis (BT) the only pesticide being used on this application?		go to 3(b)
		No	go to 4(a)
3 (b)	Is there a Threatened or Endangered species or the critical habitat (Federal) or	Yes	Class IV Sp
	critical habitat (State) of a species within the application area that is susceptible	No	Class III
17.	to the BT strain being used?		
4 (a)	Is this operation occurring over ground water with a high susceptibility to	Yes	go to 4(b)
	contamination as specified in EPA 910/9-87-169 or in documentation provided	No	go to 5(a)
	by the department of ecology?		
4 (b)	Is this pesticide a state restricted use pesticide for the protection of ground	Yes	Class IV Sp
	water under WAC 16-228-1231?	No	go to 5(a)
5 (a)	Is the operation adjacent (within 100 ft.) of surface water?	Yes	go to 5(b)
C (1)	Detection described in the state of the stat	No	go to 5(e)
5 (b)	Determine the toxicity rating from the pesticide list:		
5 (c)	*Is the toxicity rating "Caution" or "Warning"?	Yes	go to 5(c)
	*Is the toxicity rating "Danger"?	Yes	go to 5(d)
	Is there a Group A or B water surface water system (WAC 246-290-020) intake	Yes	Class IV Sp
5 (d)	OR a fish hatchery intake within one half mile downstream of the operation? Is there a Group A or B water surface system intake OR a fish hatchery intake	No	go to 5(e)
J (u)	within I mile downstream of the operation?	Yes	Class IV Sp
<i>"</i> / ``	To the second se	No	go to 5(e)
5 (e)	Is the operation within 200 feet of the intake of a Group A or B spring water	Yes	Class IV Sp
	system?	No	go to 5(f)
5 (f)	Is the operation applying a pesticide in a Type A or B wetland?	Yes	Class IV Sp
		No	go to 6(a)
6 (a)	Does any portion of the planned operation cover 240 or more contiguous acres?	Yes	Class IV Sp
	Pesticide treatment units will be considered contiguous if they are separated by	No	go to 6(b)
	less than 300 feet or treatment dates of adjacent units are less than 90 days		
6 (b)	apart.		
0 (0)	Is there a Threatened or Endangered species or the critical habitat (Federal) or	Yes	Class IV Sp
6 (c)	critical habitat (State) of a species within the application area?	No	go to 6(c)
U (U)	If there is a special concern identified for this pesticide in the Board manual, does it apply to this application?	Yes	Class IV Sp
	does it apply to this application:	No	Class III

(1) Special concerns (see WAC 222-16-070 (2)6(c)) shall be evaluated by the department of agriculture. Information regarding special concerns shall be presented to the board for review. Approved special concerns shall be included in the board manual. Special concerns shall include situations where use of pesticides has the potential for a substantial impact on the environment, beyond those covered specifically in the key in subsection (2) of this section.