

Small Forest Landowner Checklist

Road Maintenance and Abandonment Plan

Use the following questions to determine if a SFL Checklist RMAP is required.

A)	Does your FPA/N include timber harvest or salvage?		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes. Continue to B.	<input type="checkbox"/>	No. Stop , a checklist is not required.
B)	Are you hauling timber on existing forest roads on your property? <i>Not including: residential driveways; skid trails; haul roads on neighboring property;</i>		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes. Continue to C.	<input type="checkbox"/>	No. Stop , a checklist is not required.
C)	Do you own <u>more</u> than 80 acres of forest land in Washington?		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes. A checklist is required.	<input type="checkbox"/>	No. Continue to D.
D)	Is this FPA/N on a block of forest land that contains more than 20 contiguous acres?		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes. A checklist is required	<input type="checkbox"/>	No. Stop , a checklist is not required.

1. **This checklist applies to:** Select one.

- The existing forest roads on my forestland that I will use for this FPA/N. *(minimum required)*
- I assessed all existing forest roads on my forestland. *Assessing all your forest roads is optional. If you choose this, you will not be required to submit additional checklists with future FPA/Ns.*

If you check this box, include a Forest Practices Activity Map that shows all your forest roads.

2. **What is the approximate total number of miles of existing forest road assessed:** _____

3. **Forest Road Assessment.** Complete this question after you have assessed your existing forest roads.

Select all sediment and road issues that are known to be associated with your existing forest roads.

- I would like DNR to contact me for help with this section. *(If you check this box, you may leave the rest of the boxes in this question blank. DNR will contact you.)*
- Water from the road or ditch runs directly into typed water.
- Water flows under, over, or around the culvert.
- The culvert keeps filling with dirt.
- The road has large cracks or ruts.
- The road has sinkholes. *(not a pothole, but a hole that you can't drive over)*
- Dirt from the uphill side of the road keeps falling into the ditch-line before regularly scheduled maintenance.
- Dirt from the cut-slope keeps falling downhill into or near a stream, pond, or wetland.
- There are indications of past surface erosion.
- The road crosses typed water (a culvert, bridge, or ford exist)
- I have assessed my existing forest roads and they do not have any of the above issues.

4. Family Forest Fish Passage Program

The Family Forest Fish Passage Program (FFFPP) is a program to fix fish passage barriers, such as culverts. Not all culverts are fish passage barriers. For an evaluation of your potential fish passage barrier please contact DNR's Small Forest Landowners Office at 360-902-1404 or visit www.dnr.wa.gov/fffpp for more information.

Check the box that applies:

- Not applicable.
- I choose to enroll in the FFFPP and would like to have my potential barrier evaluated for eligibility. I understand by checking this box, I may be required to provide cost-share associated with the barrier removal or replacement.
- I choose not to enroll in the FFFPP and accept responsibility for removing or repairing any artificial fish barriers on my forest roads at my own expense.
- This barrier is already enrolled in the FFFPP.

5. Orphaned Roads

State law requires DNR to keep an inventory of orphaned roads that pose a risk to public safety or to the public resources. Your help with this inventory is requested.

Orphaned roads are roads on your forestland that have not been used for forest activities since 1974. Forest Practices activities include timber cutting, timber hauling, tree planting, brush control, pre-commercial thinning, timber salvage, etc.

Check the box that applies:

- I do not have orphaned roads that I think pose a risk to public resources or public safety; *e.g. houses, highways, county roads, streams, ponds, or wetlands.*
- I have orphaned roads that I think may pose a risk to public resources or public safety; *e.g. houses, highways, county roads, streams, ponds, or wetlands.* Please show locations of all orphaned roads on a separate Forest Practices Activity Map. *(This is not the same map that shows your harvest.)*
- I need help identifying orphaned roads.

6. Road Maintenance Obligations

All forest landowners have a legal obligation to maintain all their forest roads on their forestland to the extent necessary to prevent damage to public resources. This includes forest roads not shown on this assessment. See [WAC 222-24-052](http://www.wa.gov/wac/222-24-052). Best Management Practices (BMPs) for road maintenance are located in [Section 3](#) of the Forest Practices Board Manual. Both are available on the DNR website at: www.dnr.wa.gov.

Road maintenance includes:

- Inspecting forest roads and fixing damage before, during and after hauling timber and/or rock.
 - Keeping drainage structures (*relief culverts, ditches, water bars, dips, etc.*) and water crossings functional.
 - Making sure water from roads and ditches do not flow directly into streams, ponds, or wetlands.
- My existing roads are maintained to Forest Practices standards.