

1 **FOREST PRACTICES BOARD**  
2 **Special Board Meeting (Field Tour)**  
3 October 27, 2015  
4 Capital Forest  
5 Olympia, Washington  
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7 **Members Present**

8 Stephen Bernath, Chair, Department of Natural Resources  
9 Bob Guenther, General Public Member/Small Forest Landowner  
10 Brent Davies, General Public Member  
11 Carmen Smith, General Public Member/Independent Logging Contractor  
12 Court Stanley, General Public Member  
13 David Herrera, General Public Member (participated 9 a.m. – 12 p.m.)  
14 Heather Ballash, Designee for Director, Department of Commerce  
15 Patrick Capper, Designee for Director, Department of Agriculture  
16 Paula Swedeen, General Public Member  
17 Tom Laurie, Designee for Director, Department of Ecology  
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19 **Members Absent**

20 Bill Little, Timber Products Union Representative  
21 Dave Somers, Snohomish County Commissioner  
22 Joe Stohr, Designee for Director, Department of Fish and Wildlife  
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24 **Staff**

25 Jim Heuring, Forest Practices Acting Assistant Division Manager  
26 Marc Engel, Forest Practices Acting Division Manager  
27 Patricia Anderson, Rules Coordinator  
28 Phil Ferester, Senior Counsel  
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30 **WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER**

31 Stephen Bernath called the Forest Practices Board (Board) meeting to order at 9 a.m. He said the  
32 agenda today is designed to inform the Board on how water typing is implemented for future decision  
33 making. He said the tour is about how the rule is currently stated and how the board manual provides  
34 guidance for protocol surveys, not about how individual landowners implement these rules on their  
35 lands.  
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37 The Board received the following presentations

- 38 • Water Typing Background and History – Marc Engel, DNR
- 39 • Water Typing Modification Process, Type F Rule (WAC 222-16-031) and Board Manual Section  
40 13, *Determining Fish Use* – Donelle Mahan and Marc Ratcliff, DNR
- 41 • Type F Matrix - Hans Berge, DNR
- 42 • Intro to Electrofishing - Patrick Cooney, Smith-Root  
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44 The Board then traveled to Capital Forest to gain a better understanding of the water typing process  
45 including: Type F characteristics, protocol survey guidance and off-channel habitat characteristics.  
46 They also visited a stream crossing installed under the Road Maintenance and Abandonment Plan  
47 process.  
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49 Field tour ended at 4:00 p.m.