



WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF **NATURAL RESOURCES**

August 17th, 2017

Board of Natural Resources Retreat – Day 1

PURPOSE OF FIELD TOUR

Thank you for your interest in attending the August 2017 Board Retreat field tour! The purpose of the field tour is to bring to life the issues related to the BNR's upcoming decision on a preferred alternative for the murrelet conservation strategy as well as the riparian and arrearage factors to use in a 2015-2024 sustainable harvest calculation. Field tour topics will include high and lower quality marbled murrelet habitat (P-stage), issues facing the integration of conservation and working forests in Southwest Washington, implications of marbled murrelet strategy "conservation measures" related to recreation, factors contributing to arrearage, and a look at riparian area management under DNR's current policies.

CAN I COMMENT?

Since this is a Board of Natural Resources meeting, the tour is open to the public. Members of the public are invited to watch the presentations at each field stop and listen to the Board discussion, however due to limited time, there will be no public comment period during the field tour or during the meeting the following day.

HOW DO I JOIN THE TOUR?

In order to facilitate your attendance on this tour, meet us at JA Wendt Elementary School in Cathlamet, WA at 8am on August 17th. There you can park, check in with DNR, and receive a seat in a van which will take you to each stop and then return you to your vehicle at the end of the day. If you are interested in attending, please RSVP at DNR.WA.GOV/BNR by August 10th, so DNR will know how many vans to make available. No lunches will be provided, so please bring a lunch.

SAFETY

This is a field tour within a working forest, and safety is the highest priority for DNR, so please come prepared for a day in the field with good footwear and appropriate clothing. Hard hats will also be provided and are required to be worn.

INCLIMATE WEATHER

In the event of inclement weather, please note that some field tour details may change. Call 360-810-0056 for the latest information related to the tour.

The agenda for the tour and a tour packet with more details on each stop will be posted before the field tour at DNR.WA.GOV/BNR. There you will also find information about Day 2.

Thank you, and we look forward to seeing you at the tour!

For additional questions please contact us at BNRretreat2017@dnr.wa.gov.