

**Small Forest Landowner Office Advisory Committee Meeting**  
**Notes**  
**January 18, 2022**  
**Zoom Meeting**

Present: John Henrikson, Tami Miketa, Phil Hess, Rich Weiss, Brandon Austin, Jeffrey Thomas, Mary McDonald

Additional attendees: Teresa Ciapusci, DNR, Tony Craven, Ken Miller, Heather Hansen, Steve Barnowe-Meyer, WFFA

**Review May 18, 2021 SFLAC Meeting Notes**

Accepted as written.

**SFLO Program Updates**

Tami said our new SFLO Environmental Education and Community Outreach Specialist, Holly Haley, will be starting in her position on January 19<sup>th</sup>. Additionally, Todd Olson, the Regulation Assistance Program Manager, will be conducting interviews in February for the new Pacific Cascade Region Regulation Assistance Forester, the SPS Region Regulation Assistance Forester, and the Eastern WA Regulation Assistance Forester. It is our hope to have these three Regulation Assistance Foresters on board by the middle of February.

**Discuss the status of Board Manual 12, *Guidelines for Application of Forest Chemicals***

Steve Barnowe-Meyer and Heather Hansen discussed

Board Manual Section 12 contains best management practices (BMP) to assist landowners and applicators in the proper application of forest chemicals. The section includes BMPs for posting treatment units, communicating activities with adjacent landowners, identifying surface waters prior to spraying, and considerations for minimizing drift and ensuring maximum deposition on targeted areas. Additionally, the section includes alternative vegetation management options to use in lieu of chemical applications.

**Discussion about WA Tree Farm Ecosystem Services Survey**

John spoke to the Committee about a new survey that WA Tree Farm conducted to small forest landowners regarding their use of ecosystem services on their forestland. The goal of the survey is to show that small forest landowners spend their time and money on important ecosystem services in their forest that benefits everyone.

**Future SFLAC meetings**

It was agreed that the SFLAC will change the number and length of meetings each year. For 2022, The SFLAC will meet every quarter from 9:00 to 11:00. The dates of these meetings will be discussed at the next SFLAC meeting.

**Update on relatively low impact definition**

Ken Miller gave the Committee and update on the status of the SFL definition of relatively low impact.

The next SFLAC meeting will be a Zoom meeting on April 19, 2022, from 9:00 am to 11:00 am.

Meeting Adjourned