

Timber, Fish and Wildlife Policy Committee

Thursday, December 7, 2023 // 9:00AM – 11:50AM

Hybrid Meeting

Virtual: Zoom (Link Listed Below)

Motions	
Motion	Move/Second (Vote)
November 2023 Meeting Notes <u>Motion:</u> Rico Vinh moved to approve the November 2023 minutes. The motion passed	Seconded: Court Stanley Up: Marc Engel, Court Stanley, Rico Vinh, Cody Thomas, Ken Miller, Brandon Austin, Darin Cramer, and Jim Peters. Absent: Melissa Gildersleeve

Action Items	
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Discussion about adding WFPA's RFQQ for an extensive monitoring program on the January agenda.	Co-chairs
Once 2024 work plan Excel spreadsheet is finalized make it available to TFW Policy members on SharePoint.	Lori Clark
Share ETHEP PowerPoint Presentation. Policy presentation_12_7_2023_final.pdf	Natalie Church

Ground Rules

- Brandon Austin read the below ground rules:
 - C4: If a caucus does not agree with statements or positions by other caucuses, participants offer reasons why and alternatives.
 - D3: At the conclusion of an issues, participants attempt to agree on the message that will be given and respect the resolution and implementing actions of the other participants.

Caucus Updates

- Jim Peters explained that the riparian round table group will be hosted by the Jamestown Tribe. There have been series of workshops and now is going to go to the larger policy group.

Staff Updates

- Lori Clark didn't have any staff updates but wanted to ask Darin Cramer to share information on WFPA's RFQQ.
 - Darin Cramer explained that WFPA feels that Extensive Monitoring is not moving fast enough so they decided to start their own monitoring program. They are shopping around to see if there is anyone available and qualified to start the WFPA extensive monitoring

program. If he finds someone, he will have to go back to WFPA’s Board to get it funded. He explained that WFPA is committed to science-based decision making. Lori explained that the Extensive Monitoring project team is making progress and are being diligent in their work. Darin explained that this has nothing to do with Adaptive Management Program (AMP) staff and their work; it is on everyone else for not making this a priority. Jim Peters asked if there is going to be conflict of interest for (WFPA caucus representatives) working within the AMP and doing this project at WFPA. Rico Vinh asked Darin what is WFPA’s intention on the data collected from the ExMo project that is similar or exact to what the AMP is developing. He specifically wanted to know if this going to be a competing study. Darin responded that WFPA feels that they need an extensive monitoring program, and he is not clear how this is a conflict of interest. If they cannot get it done through the State or the Adaptive Management Program (AMP) they will do it themselves. Rico explained that if everyone just decided things aren't moving fast enough and start doing things on their own things will fall apart. Cody Thomas explained that he feels that the timing of this is surprising and that he has concerns about competing studies as well. Darin explained that they haven’t decided if it was going to be brought into the AMP or not, they are doing this for their own use. It was mentioned that this could be an agenda item at the January TFW Policy meeting if needed. Rico shared that conservation caucus shares WFPA’s frustration with priorities not moving quick enough within the AMP yet there is concern with potentially two studies being brought to Policy with conflicting, different results which is the reason for cooperatively developed science in the AMP.

CMER Updates

A.J. Kroll, CMER co-chair, reviewed the CMER SAG updates document and what was discussed at last month’s CMER meeting.

Public Comments

No public comments received.

Storytelling

Decided to move to next month, Doug Hooks wanted to present at an in-person meeting.

2024 TFW Policy Work Plan

Lori Clark shared her screen and reviewed each item on the TFW Policy and Forest Practices Board’s work plan and answered questions as they came up. Brandon Austin asked if this will be available for Policy members to view. Lori explained that the Excel spreadsheet is a rough draft and once it is finalized, she will have it on SharePoint for Policy members to view.

ETHEP Presentation

Anna Toledo gave a brief introduction. Ben Spei gave a presentation on the Eastside Timber Habitat Evaluation Project (ETHEP) and answered questions. Natalie Church will share Ben’s PowerPoint presentation with TFW Policy.

List of Attendees

Attendees	Representing
§Austin, Brandon	WDFW/TFW Policy Co-chair
§Cramer, Darin	Large Industrial Landowner Caucus/WFPA
§Engel, Marc	State Caucus/DNR

§Gildersleeve, Melissa	Dept. Of Ecology
§Miller, Ken	Small Forest Landowner/WFFA
§Peters, Jim	Westside Tribes/NWIFC
§Stanley, Court	TFW Policy Co-chair/WSAC
§Thomas, Cody	Eastside Tribe Caucus/UCUT
§Vinh, Rico	WEC/Conservation Caucus
Berge, Hans	CMER Voting Member
Bretherton, Welles	Dept. Of Ecology/CMER Voting Member
Church, Natalie	Administrative Assistant/DNR
Clark, Lori	Adaptive Management Administrator
Franquemont, Maggie	DNR
Greenwood, Emma	Spokane Tribe
Goebel, Charles	University of Idaho, ETHEP Project Team member
Hawkins, Tracy	DNR
Heimburg, John	WDFW
Henkel, Theryn	Supervisory Project Manager/DNR
Hooks, Doug	WFPA
Jawad, Saboor	Forest Regulation Division Manager (Attended caucus/staff updates)
Kimsey, Mark	University of Idaho, ETHEP Project Team member
Knoth, Jenny	CMER voting member
Kroll, A.J.	CMER Co-chair
Light, Brandon	University of Idaho, ETHEP Project Team member
Martin, Doug	CMER Voting member
McIntyre, Aimee	WDFW/CMER Co-chair
Mendoza, Chris	CMER Voting Member/Conservation Caucus
Mitchell, Robert	Member of the Public
Murray, Joe	RSAG Co-chair
Prescott, Alexander	Project Manager/DNR
Roberts, Dave	Small Forest Landowner/WFFA
Roorbach, Ash	Westside Tribes/NWIFC
Rubin, Rachel	CMER Scientist
Schofield, Jenny	Project Manager/DNR
Smith, Kendra	Skagit
Spei, Benjamin	University of Idaho, ETHEP Project Team member
Teply, Mark	ETHEP Project Team member
Toledo, Anna	Project Manager/DNR
Williamson, Tanner	CMER Staff
Zirkle, Karen	DNR

§TFW Policy Voting Member