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The Honorable David Sullivan, Chair
Jefferson County Commissioners
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Subject: Projection of Income from State Forest Lands

Dear Commissioner Sullivan:

The Department of Natural Resources (DNR) manages about 13,937 acres of state forest lands (formerly known as forest board lands) that benefit Jefferson County. As the attached report shows, in calendar year 2010, these lands generated $982 thousand and are projected to generate $1.4 million in calendar year 2011. This represents an increase of $111 thousand from the 2011 projection in the October 2010 report.

Most of this income is from timber sales. Timber markets, supply concerns, contract requirements and regulatory requirements influence when timber purchasers choose to harvest. The revenue projections rely on purchasers' plans for harvest and may change in future reports if those plans change.

The next projection of state forest land revenues will be available in late April 2011. In the meantime, if you have questions about this report, contact Susan Trettevik, Olympic Region Manager. Susan can advise you of possible fluctuations in timber harvest and provide information on DNR management programs and activities in your county. Susan can be reached at 360.974.6131.

Sincerely,

Peter Goldmark
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County Income Report
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Income from management activities on state forest lands is designated for allocation to several taxing districts in each county, depending upon the location of the activity in that county. Only a very small amount is available for discretionary use by the county.

Revenue from state forest lands (formerly known as forest board lands) comes primarily from harvested timber. Lease activities and rights-of-way applications provide additional sources of revenue. Another source of revenue to the counties is leasehold tax returns, which will vary with the amount of lease activity in any given year.

Table 1 shows the annual revenue for each county from calendar year 2001 through calendar year 2010. As is evident in Table 1, total revenue varies considerably from year to year. Many of the key variables responsible for high revenues in one year can also lead to reduced income the following year.

Revenue projections for each of the 19 counties with state forest lands were made for calendar year 2011. **Table 2** includes the summary of all timber harvest projections listed in Table 2A, and is combined with an estimate of additional revenue from leases, rights-of-way applications, and other activity on state forest lands. **Table 2A** presents projected revenue for each timber sale on state forest lands.

Table 3 presents the volume and net value under contract as of December 31, 2010 that is not currently scheduled for harvest until after December 2011.

These projections were developed by Department of Natural Resources' region staff who contacted each timber sale purchaser with sale rights, to determine approximately how much and when they planned to harvest the timber in each sale.

Projections for each sale's anticipated harvest should be considered a rough estimate only, as actual removal activity depends on individual sale characteristics (species, volume, location, etc.), combined with outside market factors as determined by each purchaser.

The schedule of future state forest land timber sales in your county is available upon request from Department of Natural Resources' region staff.

Table 1. Revenue to Counties from State Forest Transfer and Purchase Lands (Calendar Years)
Updated: 1/14/11

County	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Clallam	$6,963,919	$3,600,540	$4,777,301	$4,426,097	$5,495,006	$4,470,806	$5,903,404	$9,323,340	$4,173,346	**$6,229,596**
Clark	$3,573,835	$2,313,003	$3,820,106	$4,092,569	$4,411,237	$4,264,442	$5,614,184	$1,088,753	$1,977,893	**$8,793,446**
Cowlitz	1,839,302	5,001,470	2,934,808	215,329	5,345,911	2,348,848	1,599,865	1,299,756	2,914,752	**3,709,692**
Grays Harbor	1,862,881	3,293,823	2,107,685	1,776,300	2,667,556	700,385	1,078,365	404,882	1,007,779	**2,178,958**
Jefferson	518,203	1,778,453	889,650	1,631,808	3,200,661	1,075,049	762,629	1,409,138	669,093	**981,510**
King	1,835,851	1,976,627	2,889,619	4,388,319	995,578	425,144	3,638,003	1,836,570	1,053,232	**2,737,595**
Kitsap	729,223	31,508	626,030	1,109,673	759,721	218,756	400,093	798,357	244,491	**495,884**
Klickitat	1,988,025	263,951	1,207,848	112,777	1,256,702	2,307,063	4,157,236	490,525	1,037,450	**327,073**
Lewis	3,945,857	1,534,075	5,493,493	4,356,765	2,606,113	19,053,461	4,421,392	4,715,266	6,738,048	**6,147,429**
Mason	1,321,104	2,382,746	2,379,357	5,336,229	4,774,081	1,432,968	2,585,862	2,416,073	1,500,640	**3,062,868**
Pacific	4,007,787	969,916	1,875,588	2,051,170	2,939,705	2,238,753	2,621,728	963,320	3,428,025	**2,060,204**
Pierce	1,469,706	2,237,462	3,571,913	5,620,352	1,778,066	2,251,072	1,435,948	1,509,353	742,913	**1,523,600**
Skagit	5,509,637	13,209,159	8,973,769	9,620,659	12,532,120	9,021,036	10,635,736	11,723,743	5,704,325	**8,746,747**
Skamania	768,791	55,235	68,576	533,038	308,142	436,890	540,697	324,117	253,914	**1,215,005**
Snohomish	8,543,151	6,452,352	10,398,846	13,664,903	12,756,744	7,069,004	11,391,018	6,323,157	10,138,226	**13,132,194**
Stevens	43,769	33,815	39,619	36,945	40,922	38,002	42,239	40,587	79,484	**47,542**
Thurston	8,080,735	3,770,580	4,523,536	6,270,700	7,777,205	5,344,608	4,915,648	1,777,592	2,625,128	**7,964,904**
Wahkiakum	2,244,642	2,414,098	2,011,817	1,015,082	2,730,555	2,146,022	571,852	1,170,658	1,516,340	**1,820,052**
Whatcom	5,759,368	5,525,028	6,993,439	7,467,518	6,075,055	2,648,374	2,420,510	6,067,453	3,569,263	**2,405,630**
Totals	$61,005,786	$56,843,841	$65,583,000	$73,726,233	$78,451,080	$67,490,683	$64,736,409	$53,682,639	$49,374,342	$73,579,929

Note: Revenue is received daily by the Department of Natural Resources for activities on State Forest lands and deposited daily at the Office of State Treasurer. Effective February 1998 these monies are remitted to each county via wire transfer a minimum of four times per month. Due to the specific date monies are received by the Department and the cutoff dates used by the State Treasurer for wire transfers, the revenue for the current period may be different than actual remittances to date.

Table 2. Total Projected Revenues to Counties from State Forest Transfers and Purchase Lands [1/]
(Dollars in Thousands)

	January thru June 2011		July thru December 2011	
County	**High**	**Medium**	**High**	**Medium**
Clallam	$1,617.2	$1,617.2	$243.6	$243.6
Clark	1,833.5	2,063.9	922.7	1,051.5
Cowlitz	187.8	195.4	11.7	139.9
Grays Harbor	897.4	1,525.7	132.4	413.0
Jefferson	884.8	975.6	397.6	397.6
King	23.4	23.4	11.0	11.0
Kitsap	30.9	30.9	16.8	16.8
Klickitat	11.2	98.3	50.4	50.4
Lewis	3,172.9	3,863.4	1,354.4	1,354.4
Mason	288.9	615.4	50.5	529.5
Pacific	537.5	804.7	159.2	159.2
Pierce	0.0	187.3	0.0	41.4
Skagit	5,832.7	6,029.0	321.4	516.1
Skamania	185.6	263.9	142.5	142.5
Snohomish	100.8	100.8	38.3	38.3
Stevens	10.5	10.5	45.3	45.3
Thurston	607.8	740.5	76.4	151.4
Wahkiakum	13.1	319.6	1.1	428.7
Whatcom	764.1	1,007.1	10.9	314.6
Totals	**$17,000.1**	**$20,472.6**	**$3,986.3**	**$6,045.1**

[1/] High - 90 percent reliability that timber harvest will occur and stated revenue will be transmitted. Medium - 50 percent reliability that timber harvest will occur and stated revenue will be transmitted.

Note: Projected revenues are based on timber purchaser's logging plans as of December 2010. These plans change with changes in the economy and the business needs of each purchaser. Department of Natural Resources' region staff should be contacted concerning possible fluctuations in timber harvest for sales currently under contract and the schedule of future sales on State Forest Lands in your county.

Table 2A. Projected Timber Harvest Revenues to *Jefferson County* from State Forest Transfer and Purchase Lands by Legal Description
(Thousands of Dollars) [1/]

Sale App. Number	Sale Name	Expiration Date	Legal Description Section	Township	Range	January thru June 2011 High	Medium	July thru December 2011 High	Medium	Value Under Contract after Dec-11
83196	Skidder Trap	10/31/11	2-4, 9, 10	28N	2W	299.9	390.7	392.7	392.7	0.0
84835	Larson Lake	10/31/11	13, 16	28N	1W	429.1	429.1	0.0	0.0	0.0
84839	Longhouse Deluxe	10/31/11	9	28N	2W	131.8	131.8	0.0	0.0	0.0
			18	29N	2W					
			12, 13	29N	3W					
84840	Tee Time	10/31/12	28	28N	1E	0.0	358.6	932.5	932.5	0.0
			29	29N	1E					
	Total					**$860.8**	**$951.6**	**$392.7**	**$392.7**	**$0.0**

[1/] High - 90 percent reliability that timber harvest will occur and stated revenue will be transmitted.
Medium - 50 percent reliability that timber harvest will occur and stated revenue will be transmitted.
Values are cumulative from high to medium probability.

Note: Projected revenues are based on timber purchaser's logging plans as of December 2010. These plans change with changes in the economy and business needs of each purchaser. Department of Natural Resources regional staff should be contacted concerning possible changes in timber harvest plans and for copies of sale area maps for specific locations of timber sales within the legal descriptions listed above.

Table 3. Volume and Net Value of Timber under Contract on State Forest Transfer and Purchase Lands for Harvest after Calendar Year 2011 [1/]

County	Volume (mbf)	Net Value
Clallam	263	$18,800
Clark	1,282	334,712
Cowlitz	2,330	613,680
Grays Harbor	0	0
Jefferson	0	0
King	0	0
Kitsap	0	0
Klickitat	0	0
Lewis	1,168	391,289
Mason	0	0
Pacific	788	249,760
Pierce	0	0
Skagit	4,590	1,320,791
Skamania	500	281,390
Snohomish	0	0
Thurston	1,756	662,346
Wahkiakum	2,005	491,958
Whatcom	0	0
Totals	**14,682**	**$4,364,726**

[1/] Normally, counties receive 75 percent of State Forest land Transfer revenues and 26.5 percent of State Forest land Purchase revenues.

Note: The sales represented here are currently under contract as of December 2010. This timber could be harvested at any time depending on market conditions and business needs as determined by each purchaser. Sales to be sold in the future could provide additional revenue to your county. Department of Natural Resources' region staff should be contacted concerning future sale activity and dates.