Outreach & Landowner Assistance

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Four Main Actions



- Mobilized a team, with Executive oversight, to ensure timely outreach and assistance
 - Recovery Operations Team (Regulatory & Assistance)
- Coordinating with other state agencies
- Working with Industrial Forestland Owners
- Assisting Family Forest Owners

Coordination with State Agencies



- Coordination Purpose:
 - Common perception of issues landowners are facing
 - Consistency of field staff expectations as FPAs are reviewed and processed
- DOE, WDFW, USFWS, DNR
 - Initial discussion of issues and questions
 - Two field trips (Jan 11 & 18)
 - Observing ID Teams for Alternate Plans
- L&I and Dept. of Revenue
 - Large Forestland owners
 - Family Forest owners

Industrial Forestland Owners



- Informal discussions (landowner specific)
- TFW Meetings landowners, tribes, agencies, some contractors
 - Longview, Jan. 11 (70 participants)
 - Winlock, Jan. 18 (100 participants)
 - Aberdeen, Jan. 31 (33 participants)
- L&I and Dept. of Revenue participation
- Storm damage information on DNR website

Family Forest Owners



- Small Forest Landowner Office/Stewardship Foresters
 - WFFA chapters in Pacific and Grays Harbor counties
 - Normal assistance information networks
- Special Education Workshops (1/2-day)
 - Raymond (Feb. 23) and Aberdeen (March 1)
 - Approx. 3000 landowner mailing list (2 counties)
 - SFLO and Forest Practices Foresters
- Q&A specific to Family Forest landowners on DNR website

Summary

- Ensure broad outreach
- Identify the most critical questions
- Use information networks already in place
- Make information accessible to all
- Facilitate internal and inter-agency discussions to help ensure consistent processing and review of applications
- Identify ways to expedite processes while staying within the Forest Practices rules