Memorandum

Date          26 January, 2017
To:            Ray Entz and Scott Swanson, Policy Co-Chairs
From:          Hans Berge, Adaptive Management Program Administrator

CMER recently completed review and approval of the Literature Synthesis of the Effects of Forest Practices on Glacial Deep-Seated Landslides and Groundwater Recharge at its June 2016 meeting. The purpose of this project was to update CMER/Policy on research assessing the effects of forest practices on deep-seated landslides in glacial materials and groundwater recharge areas, and to address the Glacial Deep-Seated Landslides Program (Rule Tool) portion of the CMER Work Plan for the Unstable Slopes Rule Group.

The Upland Processes Scientific Advisory Group (UPSAG) has completed the CMER/Policy Interaction Framework Six Questions Findings Report, which was approved by CMER at its September 2016 meeting. The literature synthesis provides inferences based on the critical questions of the project, and identifies recommendations for future research and guidance in developing a strategy for dealing with gaps in knowledge of deep-seated landslides.

I am requesting that TFW Policy review the literature synthesis and findings report in preparation for a presentation by Casey Hanell (UPSAG co-chair) at the February 2017 meeting. After this review, TFW Policy will be asked to approve the literature synthesis and findings report at the March 2017 meeting.