

**Small Forest Landowner Office Advisory Committee Meeting**  
**Notes**  
**July 21, 2020**  
**Zoom Meeting**

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

Additional Attendees: Ken Miller, WFFA and Marc Engel, DNR

**Review May, 19, 2020 SFLOAC Meeting Notes**

Accepted as written

**SFLO Program Updates**

Tami Miketa gave an update on the status of the SFLO programs. As we reach the end of the first year of the FY19-21 biennium, the Small Forest Landowner Office Programs have completed a number of projects and purchased several conservation easements. The Family Forest Fish Passage Program (FFFPP) corrected 19 fish passage barriers opening 67 miles of upstream fish habitat, and the Forestry Riparian Easement Program (FREP) purchased 13 easements this fiscal year. It is estimated the FFFPP will correct another 19 fish passage barriers next fiscal year totaling 38 barriers to be removed during the FY19-21 biennium. The FREP program estimates it will purchase an additional 23 easements totaling 36 conservation easements to be purchased during the FY19-21 biennium.

**Continue Discussion on Concept of Relatively Low Impact Harvest Prescriptions**

The committee continued the discussion on the working definition of “Relatively Low Impact Harvest Prescriptions”. There were minor changes to the draft definition of “relatively low impact”, and the Committee voted in agreement to accept the updated definition.

The Committee discussed the next steps that need to be taken. Because this new definition of “relatively low impact” could have an impact on aquatic resources, the definition needs to go through the Adaptive Management process, and be initiated by the Adaptive Management Program Administrator (AMPA).

DNR asked questions of the Committee such as how does the Committee envision this definition being used? What is the intent of the definition? How does the Committee see it benefitting small forest landowners? There must be a stated need and how the definition will assist in addressing this need.

Tami will add information regarding the Committees work on defining “relatively low impact” in her upcoming Forest Practices Board Report to the Forest Practices Board, and state what the Small Forest Landowner Advisory Committee is proposing. DNR is currently preparing a Proposal Initiation document to present to the AMPA after SFLAC member review.

John Henrikson agreed to identify specific proposals that could apply as “relatively low impact” per the Committee’s definition to present at the next SFLAC meeting in September.

The next SFLOAC meeting will be a Zoom meeting on September 22, 2020, from 8:00 am to 12:00 pm

Meeting Adjourned