



**Sustainable Forestry Initiative® Program**

Washington State SFI Implementation Committee  
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**Washington SFI® Implementation Committee (SIC)  
 Meeting Highlights  
 June 22, 2016**

<b>SIC MEETING ATTENDEES</b>	
<b>NAME</b>	<b>COMPANY</b>
Dan Thomas	American Forest Management
John Dick	Boise Paper
Doug Meekins	Campbell Global
Jenny Knoth	Green Crow
John Barrett	Green Diamond
Brian Saylor	Green Diamond
Eric Jacoby	Hampton Affiliates
Heather Watson	Hancock Forest Management
Travis Naillon	Independent Logger Training Consultant
Kathy Troupe	KapStone Kraft Paper
Adrian Miller	Olympic Resource Management
Claudine Reynolds	Port Blakely
Jennifer Gallant	Port Townsend Paper
Scott Grigg	Rayonier
Lisa Perry	Sierra Pacific
David Brummer	Stimson
Jerry Bonagofsky	Washington Contract Loggers' Association
Doug Kennedy	Washington Department of Natural Resources
Doug Hooks	Washington Forest Protection Association

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<b>NAME</b>	<b>COMPANY</b>
Jason Sappington	WestRock
Andy Hopkins	Weyerhaeuser Columbia
Terry Alexander	Weyerhaeuser Western
Mark Petruncio	Yakama Nation
Doug Olney	Yakama Forest Products
JD Mann	Yakama Forest Products

The meeting was called to order by Jenny Knoth (Chair), Green Crow, at 9:15 AM. Committee members acknowledged receipt of the pre-meeting materials including the agenda distributed via email from Doug Kennedy June 20, 2016.

### **1. Anti-trust Reminder**

The group was reminded of the anti-trust agreement and participants were asked to excuse themselves if needed (Attachment 1).

### **2. Introductions and Certification Updates from SIC Participants**

Participants introduced themselves; some participants updated the group on recent certification activities:

- American Forest Management – Dan Thomas, recert audit last month, one OFI
- Boise Paper – John Dick, no audit update
- Campbell Global – Doug Meekins, upcoming audit
- Georgia-Pacific – Chad Aller, recent audit, no NCs
- Green Crow – Jenny Knoth, No SFI audit updates
- Green Diamond – John Barrett, Brian Saylor May audit, one minor NC
- Hampton Affiliates – Eric Jacoby, upcoming audits in September
- Hancock Forest Management – Heather Watson, July audit
- KapStone – Kathy Troupe, recent audit, no issues
- Olympic Resource Management – Adrian Miller, recertification audit in the spring, several NPs, one OFI for pesticide use
- Port Blakely – Claudine Reynolds, recent audit, no NCs
- Port Townsend Paper – Jennifer Gallant, Surveillance audit in May went well
- Rayonier – Scott Grigg, SFI audit in Oregon in October
- Sierra Pacific – Lisa Perry, March audits, no issues
- Stimson – David Brummer, Sept audit coming up
- WA Department of Natural Resources – Doug Kennedy, June audit found one NC for eastside planned harvest levels
- WestRock – Jason Sappington, no audit updates
- Weyerhaeuser Columbia Timberlands – Andy Hopkins, Surveillance audit in July
- Weyerhaeuser Western Timberlands – Terry Alexander, July audit coming up
- Yakama Nation and Yakama Forest Products – Mark Petruncio, Doug Olney, and JD Mann, recertification audit coming up in September

### **3. Approval of the February 3, 2016 Meeting Highlights**

A copy of the February 3, 2016 Highlights was distributed (Attachment 2). A motion was made to approve the highlights. The motion was seconded and approved.

- *Note: The final February 3 highlights have been posted on the WA SIC website at: <http://www.wasfi.org/minutes/index.html>.*

### **4. 2016 WA SIC Scholarships**

- Lisa Perry: Scholarship committee awarded two scholarships, one to Jonathan Woods at University of Montana and one to Sam Decker at Green River CC.

### **5. Report Back: Class 37 AgForestry**

- Kathy Troupe: Since SIC sponsors AgForestry, Kathy, Claudine, and Andy wanted to report out to the group. AgForestry is a two-year, leadership development program that includes an international trip. Goal of the program is to raise up effective natural resource leaders in WA in agriculture, forestry, and fishing. This past class' international trip was to Thailand and Laos. One of the key lessons from the program is the ability to work across industries and with people of different backgrounds.
- Claudine Reynolds: Group visited a teak plantation in Laos. Teak is a valuable resource there, similar to cedar in WA because of disease resistance and utility. Three quarters of the Laotian population is employed in an agricultural industry. Illegal logging appears to be a problem in Laos, but the government is not very transparent about that issue. "Sustainability" claims in SE Asian forestry operations seemed to be relatively shady; again, it was difficult to get clear answers.
- Andy Hopkins: The goals of the international trip included better understanding culture, government, politics, economics, and histories of Laos and Thailand. There were also discussions on better understanding trade opportunities between those countries and WA.

### **6. Report from Regional SIC Meeting (Attachments 3 and 4)**

- Jenny Knoth: Meeting occurred in May. Logger training was a big discussion point, as was US Green Building Commission's recognition of SFI-certified products in LEED projects. Notes (attachment 3) are fairly comprehensive.

### **7. Follow-up From Last Meeting**

- Update from Qualified Logger Subcommittee
  - Travis Naillon: Logging contractors are interested in enhancing training. Some large contract loggers are interested in maintaining SFI certification and creating a new site supervision program through WCLA training program. New training would be an addition to existing training. This new training program would be available for site supervisors. The group would like to see the curriculum before approving the program. Once Travis has developed the curriculum, he will present it to us. At that point, we will decide whether we want to endorse the program.
- QLP Interstate MOU Update (Attachment 5)
  - Jenny Knoth: Jenny circulated an updated version of the MOU. The group reviews the new document, and Jenny indicates that Idaho is already onboard with the new MOU. California is also onboard with the amended version. Claudine and Chris Lunde of Port

- Blakely are uncomfortable with the language in 4. One of their concerns is whether advising which loggers can and cannot be hired violates anti-trust laws.
- Adrian Miller recommends removing bullet 4. Jenny, Andy Hopkins, and Claudine are in support of striking.
  - Adrian Miller motions striking bullet 4 from the MOU. Motion is seconded by Claudine, and the motion passed unanimously. The WA SIC approves the amended MOU (without bullet 4).
  - November will be the deadline for finalizing the MOU with participating states.
  - The QLP subcommittee will now include Adrian Miller, Jerry Bonagofsky, and others. Lisa Perry will recommend someone from Sierra to take Kathy Troupe’s spot.
- Exceptional Logger Program Update (Attachment 6)
    - Jenny Knoth: The nomination form in the packet is the final draft, ready for approval. The form is approved by the SIC. Doug will work with Duane to get it uploaded to the WA SIC website.
  - WA SIC Inconsistent Practices Process
    - Kathy Troupe distributed the Oregon SIC’s inconsistent practices documentation. The group reviewed Oregon’s process in detail.
    - The current contact information is Jenny’s, and it will be updated by the secretary to reflect the new chair, whenever that position changes.
    - The Inconsistent Practices Process Subcommittee will make changes to the Oregon SIC’s document (including more clearly defining the SIC committee members serving on the review panel, reworking the flow chart, and adding additional minor language), send it out ahead of the October meeting, and bring it to the October meeting for a vote. Mark Petruncio will rework the flowchart graphic.
  - Promotion Subcommittee Report
    - See Budget discussion.
  - Rozol Strategy Discussion
    - Claudine shares experience during most recent audit, working with auditor to find approvable use of Rozol through derogation process.
    - Terry and Adrian share similar challenges proving to their auditors that Rozol was the only feasible option.

## **8. Proposal for Collaborative Outreach Efforts with WTFP and SAF**

- WTFP hosts two field days, and we could work with them to introduce a third field day. Jenny recommends using the fall field day as an industry day or as a public outreach opportunity. There is general interest, so Jenny will present something more concrete at the October meeting.

## **9. Budget Update (Attachment 7)**

- Kathy produced a WA SIC Advertising 2016 summary.
- We are too late to place an ad in the Wildlife Society for 2016, but it might be valuable to do it in 2017 since that meeting will be larger in 2017. Jenny Knoth will follow up with that.
- Lee Spencer has retired and is not available to coordinate getting ads into Big Game Hunting, Fishing Regulation Pamphlet, and Upland Bird. Jenny has gotten the contact information to Kathy so she can make sure that ad continues to run.
- Heather said that we’re working with SFI to get better, updated ads.
- The budget does not include Weyerhaeuser’s contribution.

- American Institute of Architects contact is no longer Harry Bell. Jenny Knoth will forward contact info to Kathy.
- Claudine and Jennifer Gallant will join the promotion subcommittee.
- In October, we will look at the budget again and project expenses for 2017.
- We will increase money to Family Forest Field Day by \$1000 for a total of \$2000 dollars.

## 10. Outreach and Events

- **Outreach Opportunities**
  - Possibly increase scholarships
  - See WTFP and SAF proposal
  - Small Landowner controlled burn booklet (October)
- **Upcoming Events**
  - See WTFP and SAF proposal

### Meeting Information:

- Next meeting: **October 5, 9:15AM–11:30AM**, Port Blakely Tree Farms, Tumwater, WA

----- **The meeting was adjourned at 11:45 AM by Jenny Knoth**-----

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### Attachments to the June 22, 2016 WA SIC Agenda:

1. Anti-Trust Reminder
2. WA SIC Meeting Highlights, February 3 , 2016
3. Western Regional SIC Meeting Minutes
4. SFI LEED Call to Action Packet
5. Draft MOU for Interstate Recognition of SFI SICs' recognition of Qualified Logger Training Programs
6. WA SIC Exceptional Logging Contractor Nomination Form and Instructions
7. WA SIC Revenue and Expenses through 5/31/2016

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### Unresolved items for October meeting:

1. Formal request to WA DNR Forest Practices to better report on NTCs and NOIDs (Terry and David)
2. Update on finalization of the interstate MOU on qualified logging professionals
3. Updates to the Inconsistent Practices Process
4. Decide whether to sponsor WTFP field days for 2017
5. Project expenses for 2017