

Sustainable Forestry Initiative ® Program

Washington SFI Implementation Committee
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Date: February 2, 2006

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Kevin Godbout – Weyerhaeuser

Tom Hanson – International Forestry Consultants

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Brad Holt –Boise Cascade

Bill Howard – Boise Building

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Jessica Josephs – Rayonier

Brian Kernohan - Forest Capital

George Kirkmire - WCLA

Chris Lipton – Longview Fibre

Theresa Loo – Port Blakely Tree Farms

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Larry McCalden – Guy Bennett Lumber Co.

Steve Barnowe-Meyer – Weyerhaeuser

Gretchen Nicholas - WDNr

Terry Pelt – Simpson Timber Co

Bill Pickell - WCLA

Ken Risenhoover – Port Blakely

Alicia Robbins – Pack Forest

Nate Root – Sierra Pacific Industries

Jim Short – Kimberly Clark Corporation

Lee Spencer - Plum Creek

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Dave Yates – SAF

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Were in attendance at the February 1, 2006 meeting.

Highlights

Washington State SFI Implementation Committee Meeting

February 1, 2006

Introductions

- The following new members were welcomed to the committee:
 - Ted Carlson Stimson Lumber Company
 - Tom Hanson International Forestry Consultants
 - Chris Lipton Longview Fibre
 - Jim Short Kimberly Clark Corporation

Updates on Certification Activities by SFI Participants

- This year Forest Capital will use BVQi to recertify the lands they acquired from Boise Cascade.
- DNR is extending the scope of their program to also include the lands they manage on the eastside. They are preparing for a May audit of the eastside properties.
- Kimberly Clark is in the early stages of reviewing the requirements to participate in the SFI program.
- Tom Hanson with International Forestry Consultants is helping Penguin Forests, Seefeld Corporation, and P.B. Lumber with their recertification requirements.
- Port Blakely is reviewing the requirements for certifying the log brokerage business they recently acquired.
- Pack Forest, Pope Resources, Rayonier, Stimson, and Weyerhaeuser are all in the process of preparing for surveillance audits this year.
- Boise will be conducting surveillance audits in Oregon in 2006. They also plan to conduct a pilot test of a SFI Chain of Custody audit for an manufacturing plant in Oregon.
- Longview Fibre plans to conduct a third-party certification this summer.

Update on the American Tree Farm (ATF) Group Certification Program

- John Gorman reported that representatives from WFFA, the Washington Tree Farm Program, and The Family Forest Foundation feel the timing is not right yet for family forest landowners to pursue certification under the American Tree Farm's Group Certification Program.
- Family forest landowners are facing many challenges and are reluctant at this time to consider initiatives that add costs without offsetting revenue incentives.

Dual Certification (SFI & FSC)

- The University of Washington's Center for Sustainable Forestry may consider FSC certification in the future.
- A number of Hampton's sawmills have been certified to both SFI and FSC.
- Boise is considering FSC certification for certain paper grades.
- Grays Harbor Paper Company produces FSC certified paper for the State of Washington and for the City of Seattle.

Review of SFI Indicators

- Brad Holt lead the discussion on the following indicators:
- **SFI Indicator 9.2.1.a. Statewide or Regional Regeneration Assessments**
 - Following a discussion of what statewide information is available, and how SFI participants are meeting this requirement, Farra Vargas volunteered to review the issue with DNR forest practices personnel. She will report back to the SIC on or before the next meeting.
 - Brad suggested the next time the SFI Standard is reviewed that this indication could be dropped for states that have enforceable rules requiring regeneration.
- **SFI Indicator 10.1. Training Requirements for Contractors**
 - Brad asked if it would be more efficient for the SIC to provide guidance as to what training is appropriate and for the various types of contractors.
 - Bill Pickell volunteered to prepare a matrix that will indicate the specific training sessions that would be appropriate for the various types of woods contractors i.e. logging, road building, mechanical site preparation, etc. Bill will distribute the proposed matrix to the SIC on or before the next meeting.
- **SFI Indicator 12.5. Procedures to Address Inconsistent Practices**
 - Brad offered to review the existing SIC procedures as outlined in the 2004 WA SIC Annual Progress Report. He will develop a flow chart of the process that will be reviewed by the SIC on or before the next meeting.

ALP Training Classes – 2006

- The following members volunteered to make a presentation on SFI to the loggers training that will be held in Chehalis:
 - April 20th Teresa Loo
 - November 14th Tom Hanson (Steve Barnowe-Meyer volunteered as an alternate)

2006 SFI Advertising and Public Relations Plan

- The SIC reviewed and approved the 2006 SFI Advertising and Public Relations Plan that was prepared by Patti Case.
- The Plan focuses advertising and outreach efforts to reach architects, builders, and others who specify wood products as well as small woodland owners and consulting foresters.

U of W 2006 Arbor Day Fair

- The SIC discussed and approved a contribution of \$2,500 to help sponsor the College of Forest Resources Alumni Association Arbor Day Fair. This special environmental event will host some 2,500 young urban students along with parents and teachers.

G1/G2 and S1/S2 Species and Communities - Biodiversity Outreach Document

- To a great extent, SFI participants have been relying on public databases for information on G1/G2 species and communities.
- To meet the SFIS requirement of identifying, locating and protecting G1 and G2 animal species, Alicia Robbins presented samples of some of the fact sheets the University developed for the SIC on G1/G2 and S1/S2 species. Alicia said they have developed 8-10 G1/G2 fact sheets and 20 S1/S2 fact sheets.
- Alicia said the fact sheets could be made available as single sheets or in a booklet.
- Alicia graciously volunteered to follow-up on the SIC request to develop a website for the SIC where SFI participants and others can use to search for and download single fact sheets of the species and communities that are of interest to them.
 - The following SIC members offered to assist Alicia reviewing the fact sheets and offering suggestions on the website.
 - Brad Holt
 - Brian Kernohan
 - Teresa Loo
 - Angela Stringer
- Brad offered to make a number of color copies of the facts sheets for the SIC.
- At the June SIC meeting members will discuss options for promoting, producing and distributing fact sheets to interested landowners.

Program Budget for 2006 Approved

- The SIC reviewed copies of the Revenue and Expense Summary for the period ending December 31, 2005. The SIC has a beginning balance for January 1, 2006 of \$16,043.
- The SIC approved of the following budget and program activities for 2006:

2006 Program Activity	Amount
Beginning 1/1/06 Fund Balance	\$16,043
Proposed Expenditures	
Advertising and PR Plan	\$11,880
Logger Training - Printing/distribution of ALP Booklets	\$ 2,000
U of W CFR Alumni Association Arbor Day Fair	\$ 2,500
Website and G1/G2 Fact Sheets	\$ 500
Total Expenses	\$16,880
Revenue Over (Under) Expenses	(\$ 837)

Election of Officers

- The following members were unanimously elected to serve as the 2006-2008 officers for the WA SIC:
 - Chari Teresa Loo
 - Co-Chair Bill Howard
 - Treasurer Morrie Boles

Tentative Date for the Next Meeting

June 2006

Date to be determined

9:00 a.m. to noon

Pack Forest at Eatonville, WA

(Tentative meeting location)

Proposed Agenda

- Introductions
- Update on certification activities by SFI participants
- Review update of the Verifiable Auditing and Monitoring Program White Paper
- Review contractor training matrix
- Review inconsistent practices flow chart
- Review of G1/G2 and S1/S2 fact sheets and develop a plan to promote and distribute them
- Review any new 2006 program suggestions
- Other
- Schedule next meeting