



## Sustainable Forestry Initiative® Program

Washington SFI Implementation Committee

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**Bold Print: In attendance at the February 7, 2007 WA SIC meeting.**

**Highlights**  
**Washington SFI Implementation Committee (SIC) Meeting**  
**November 16, 2006**  
**Port Blakely Tree Farms, Tumwater**

**Introductions**

Maryka Lier from the Center for Sustainable Forestry at Pack Forest and Steve Stinson from the Family Forest Foundation joined the meeting as guests.

**November 2006 Meeting Notes**

No corrections made to previous meeting notes.

**WA SIC Bylaws**

As there are several new attendees coming to the SIC meetings recently, the bylaws were distributed. Brian Kernohan noted that they need to be updated to reflect the departure from AF&PA.

*Action Item: Teresa Loo will update bylaws and distribute to SIC.*

**Inconsistent Practices**

Please note a minor change has been made to the Inconsistent Practices Flowchart, replacing "AF&PA" with "SFI, Inc."

**Updates on Participation Certification Activities**

- Pacific Lumber & Shipping: passed certification audit mid-November.
- Port Blakely: surveillance audit coming up in May. SFI coordination transferring from Teresa Loo to Chris Lunde over the next year.
- Forest Capital Partners: will undergo scope extension audit this year.
- Rayonier: will undergo surveillance audit this summer.
- Pack Forest: will undergo surveillance audit in April, looking into FSC certification.
- Stimson: will undergo surveillance audit this fall.
- Hampton: nothing new to report.
- Georgia-Pacific: west coast operations will undergo audit this July.
- DNR: two regions will be audited this summer.
- Boise Cascade: next audit in 2008.
- Hancock: next audit scheduled for spring 2008.
- ORM: will undergo surveillance audit this summer.
- Plum Creek: recertified last September

**Update on Species Accounts**

Angela Stringer is working on editing the existing 14 species accounts, primarily replacing the range maps that are inaccurate with informative text about the species' ranges. Angela will continue to work on the existing species accounts as it fits into her schedule. The link to the Washington Natural Heritage Program has been added to the WA SIC website, however there isn't a link to NatureServe. After the SIC meeting on November 8th, some participants voiced an interest in continuing the project. Julie Stangell, Bruce Livingston and Teresa Loo agreed to work together to gain an understanding of what it would take to develop additional fact sheets as well as options for partnering, contracting, and funding, and report back to the SIC. Pete Heide informed the SIC that Cindy Mitchell is working on a WFPA wildlife website and suggested that some aspects of the projects might be complimentary.

*Action Item: Teresa Loo will have a link to NatureServe added to the WA SIC website.*

*Action Item: Teresa Loo will initiate a dialogue between Julie Stangell, Bruce Livingston, Angela Stringer and Greg Ettl on the prospect of continuing the species accounts project.*

### **Contractor Training**

*WA SIC Recommendations:* Brian Kernohan presented the newly revised Contractor Training Recommendations. Brian incorporated the suggestions from SIC participants, emphasizing the right of participants to deviate from the SIC recommendations, clarifying which contractors the recommendations are intended for, as well as the SIC's interpretation of the SFIS interpretation of a "trained logging crew". A couple minor edits were suggested for accuracy and the SIC expressed their gratitude to Brian for a job well done.

*Action Item: Brian Kernohan will incorporate the minor edits suggested.*

*Mutual Recognition:* Jerry Bonagofsky refreshed our memory on the WCLA's policy on mutual recognition. The WCLA recognizes certifications from any state, provided it has proof of program completion.

*Master Logger Professional Database:* Jerry informed the SIC that the Certified Loggers directory, in spreadsheet format, is distributed by email periodically. If participants wish to be added to the distribution list, contact Jerry Bonagofsky.

*Upcoming Master Logger Certification Courses:* There are upcoming courses in Colville (March 14, 15, 28, 29) and Chehalis (April 9, 10, 19, 20). Thanks to Brian Kernohan and Pete Heide who have offered to present the SFI program at the Colville and Chehalis sessions, respectively.

### **DNR's Role in Supporting Certification: Follow-up**

At the November 2006 meeting, Clay Sprague, Senior Policy Advisor from the Office of the Commissioner of Public Lands, joined the SIC meeting at the request of Pat McElroy to receive suggestions from SFI participants on how DNR can better support certification efforts. Clay reviewed the participant suggestions with Vicki Christiansen, DNR's Executive Director of Regulatory Programs, and then followed up with Teresa Loo. Vicki messaged that DNR's primary focus is on resource protection, however there may be some overlap in the DNR's current efforts and the items brought to Clay's attention at the November SIC meeting. DNR will identify someone to work with the SIC to explore potential overlaps and the SIC will form a sub-committee to prioritize projects and work with the DNR.

### **2006 Budget Recap**

*Contributions:* Many thanks to the participant companies that replenished the SIC's dwindling balance in 2006.

*Print Advertising:* The print advertising came in under budget due to lack of follow through on plans to advertise with BIAW, Seattle AIA and AIA/WA. Teresa Loo apologized for this oversight.

*WA SIC Website:* The website came in under budget due to the work contributed by the Center for Sustainable Forestry at Pack Forest.

### **2007 Proposed Budget**

*Carryover:* Due to the contributions in 2006, the SIC has a healthy carryover. Contributions to the SIC are voluntary and not requested nor mandated on a regular schedule. In the past when

the balance decreased to levels that would prohibit the work of the SIC, a request for contributions would be distributed to participants, as was the case in 2006.

*Print Advertising:* The SIC will follow through on the SFI Advertising & Public Relations Plan (presented 02/01/06) as well as seek other opportunities to promote sustainable forestry and SFI.

**Action Item: Brian Kernohan will contact Jay Farrell and inquire on possible opportunities for the SIC to contribute to broader SFI advertising campaigns.**

**Action Item: Teresa Loo will look into advertising with Nature Conservancy.**

*Outreach:* Pete Heide informed the group that the national convention of the Society of American Foresters will be held in Portland, OR October 23 – 27. Greg Ettl informed the SIC that the UW's Arbor Day Fair has drastically changed focus and might not fit the WA SICs criteria for support, potentially freeing up funds for other public outreach efforts. Steve Stinson informed the SIC of the upcoming Forest Owners Field Day in Cle Elum on June 23<sup>rd</sup>, and asked for \$4,000 in support of the event. The motion was carried unanimously. The WA SIC will have a table top presentation at the event. Teresa Loo informed the group of a potential opportunity Patti Case learned of with the Master Builders of Pierce County. Their annual Round Table is scheduled for this March and there might be an opportunity for the WA SIC to participate.

**Action Item: Pete Heide will look into possible opportunities for SIC participation in /support of the National SAF Convention in Portland, OR.**

**Action Item: Teresa Loo will contact the Master Builders of Pierce County to inquire on the Round Table.**

*Contractor Training:* The SIC agreed to maintain the current level of support to the WCLA.

*Website:* The website expense is an estimate of hosting and domain costs, as well as regular maintenance and updates. The website will be a separate line item in the budget going forward. Previously it was lumped together with species accounts.

## **Next Meeting – tentative date, time and location**

**Wednesday, June 6, 2007  
9:00 AM to Noon  
Port Blakely Tree Farms in Tumwater**