



Sustainable Forestry Initiative® Program

Washington SFI State Implementation Committee
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From: **Julie Stangell**, Hancock Forest Management

Those present at meeting:

Darrel Alvord	Hampton Resources
Kevin Arneson	Boise Cascade
Harry Bell	Green Crow
Rick Brooker	Longview Timber Company
Candace Cahill	Rayonier, WFR
Ted Carlson	Simpson Lumber Co.
George Cave	Port Townsend Paper Co.
Eric Haller	Simpson Lumber Co.
Duane Emmons	UW CSF-Pack Forest
Allen Estep	DNR
Chuck Gades	Simpson Lumber Co.
Tom Hanson	International Forestry Consultants
Michael Jackson	Assoc. Consulting Foresters
Randy Leutzinger	Kimberly Clark
Chris Lunde	Port Blakely
Erik Metcalf	Cascade Hardwood
Peggy Norcutt	Port Townsend Paper Co.
Lori Smith	Simpson Tacoma Kraft Co.
Lee Spencer	Plum Creek
Julie Stangell	Hancock Forest Management
Angela Stringer	The Campbell Group
Kathy Troupe	Longview Fibre Paper & Packaging
Rob Vance	Georgia Pacific

Washington SFI® Implementation Committee (SIC) Meeting Highlights
Port Blakely Tree Farms, Tumwater
October 7, 2009

Updates on Participant Activities

- Pack Forest: surveillance audit in July with a couple notable practices and one OFI pertaining to forest fire drills, no non-conformances
- Simpson: recertification audit in December, emphasis on oil spills and contractors with spill kits
- Hampton: major audit on Oregon lands in July
- Longview Fibre: procurement audit in August, recent label sourcing audit and an OFI on monitoring of BMPs, passed audit last summer, spill kits were addressed
- Port Townsend Paper: possible certification in December
- Rayonier: audit in May
- Stimson: in between audits, OFI for spill kit, six clients had audits that were good
- Boise Cascade: FSC CoC audit in spring
- Kimberly Clark: surveillance audit in July
- Georgia Pacific: 2011 audit on western lands, BMP monitoring issue
- Port Blakely: next audit in April/May
- DNR: next SFI audit in May/June, have addressed spill kits in the past
- Plum Creek: recertification next year
- Green Crow: certification this year, nothing else scheduled yet
- Green Diamond: recertification in April
- Cascade Hardwoods: separated from Washington Hardwoods, unsure of SFI status for the future
- Campbell Group: certified by client, possibly certify 350,000 acres next year
- Hancock: July audit, several notable practices

SFI Annual Meeting Comments from Attendees

LEED's update process was a big topic. Kathy Abusow is encouraging comments on the LEED revision. The Peter Goldman lawsuit was an issue related to security at the conference. The new SFI standard will take pressure off of public education and focus on landowners. Not many changes to the latest draft Standard from previous draft. A representative from LEED all but said they would not recognize other certification standards. An architectural representative said that the certified wood credit is rarely used in green building (LEED). One of the biggest issues in the new Standard is the discussion over certified versus trained loggers and the third party auditing of certified loggers.

Conference Call with Amy Doty

- Rob Worthington is no longer with SFI. At this time he won't be replaced, but there will be a team effort to address green building with Jason Metnick as the lead and Allison Welde assisting.
- LEED's 30 day public comment period on its recent draft for wood credit benchmarks ends October 14. It was updated to have a generic benchmark with 4 benchmark sections, 48 certification prerequisites & 32 separated credits to get

the wood credit. Must meet 40% of 32 credits. SFI commented on 12 of the 48 prerequisites and 10 of 32 credits. USGBC will put together an assessment team to put out a final report to determine if a certain certification scheme meets the benchmarks.

- SFI has been in contact with the National Association of Homebuilders, not sure about their involvement in the LEED discussion.
- Final SFI standard will be out in December. There are some more minor editorial edits.
- Amy will send out link to upcoming Webinars.
- Harry Bell volunteered to be lead in communicating with American Institute of Architects and National Association of Home Builders for the draft LEED standard.

Discussion of WA DNR's Certification

Bob Dick from AFRC wanted to discuss DNR's SFI certification. He felt that DNR may be considering reducing its SFI certificate scope. Bob has no opinion on whether one certification is better than another; however his members feel it is important to them that DNR maintain its SFI certification. Some members of the SIC felt it was important to their business to have DNR remain SFI certified. Bob encouraged these members to pass their opinions on to Jed Herman (DNR - Forest Resources and Conservation Division Manager).

New Business and Updates from SIC Chair Julie Stangell

- Motion to approve last meeting's minutes was seconded and approved at the beginning of this meeting.
- Proposal to approve MOU for SFI logger training. Discussion on why Oregon was not included on this MOU. Julie will investigate. Motion was moved and seconded to approve the MOU and request that Oregon be added to the MOU. Votes were: 11 ayes and 7 nays. Motion passed.
- Suggest putting the discussion of a SFI tri-fold on next agenda. Some money is budgeted for this.
- 21 contributions were given to the SIC totaling \$23,250.
- Discussion on budgeting will be tabled until next meeting when SFI Standard should be finalized.
- Pack Forest will update SIC website.
- Chris Lunde volunteered to attend the December 11 WCLA meeting in Chehalis.

Next WA SIC Meeting

February 10, 2010

9:00 a.m. to Noon

Port Blakely Tree Farm in Tumwater