



Sustainable Forestry Initiative® Program

Washington State SFI® Implementation Committee

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Washington SFI Implementation Committee (SIC) Meeting Highlights FINAL June 21, 2017

SIC MEETING ATTENDEES	
NAME	COMPANY
Dan Thomas	American Forest Management
Mike Jackson	Association of Consulting Foresters
Rick Hanson	Boise Cascade
John Dick	Boise Paper, PCA
Tom Shorey	Fruit Growers' Supply
Chad Aller	Georgia Pacific
Jenny Knoth	Green Crow
Robert Marr	Green Diamond
Alan Kycek	Hampton Resources
Heather Druffel	Hancock
Cathy Troupe	KapStone Kraft Paper
Chad McElvany	Molpus
Mike Sly	Murphy Company
Jay Simmons	NORPAC
Adrian Miller	Olympic Resource Management
Claudine Reynolds	Port Blakely Tree Farms
Jennifer Gallant	Port Townsend Paper
Scott Grigg	Rayonier, USFR
Lisa Perry	Sierra Pacific
David Brummer	Stimson Lumber
Jerry Bonagofsky	Washington Contract Loggers' Association
Doug Kennedy	WA Department of Natural Resources
Hannah Yourd	WA Department of Natural Resources
Childers Adams	WestRock
Amanda Brooks	Weyerhaeuser

SIC MEETING ATTENDEES	
NAME	COMPANY
Andy Hopkins	Weyerhaeuser
JD Mann	Yakama Forest Products
Mark Petruncio	Yakama Nation
GUESTS	
Jason Metnick	Sustainable Forestry Initiative (via Skype)
Brandon Austin	WA DNR Forest Practices

The meeting was called to order by David Brummer, Stimson, at 9:15 AM. Committee members acknowledged receipt of the pre-meeting materials including the agenda distributed via email from Doug Kennedy June 19, 2017.

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:

- WA DNR – surveillance audit 2 just finished, 3 OFIs found (bough sales contract, rutting, outdated contact info on SIC IPP document)
- Stimson, July recertification audit coming up; auditor has new approach to documentation audit: doing one full day on their own looking over documents
- Hancock, audit scheduled for later this summer
- Port Townsend Paper, recent audit, no findings
- Fruit Growers’ Supply, no updates
- Rayonier, surveillance audit 2 just finished no findings, one NP for logger certification training
- Green Diamond, May audit, one minor NC on spill protocol
- Green Crow, (WTFP liaison as well), recertification audit scheduled for later this summer
- Boise Cascade, surveillance audit earlier this summer, one OFI for operator’s unfamiliarity with SFI program, audit in NE Region scheduled for September of 2018
- Boise Paper, surveillance audit last week, 2 OFIs, out of date pamphlet and BMP compliance letters not sent to smaller purchasers
- Murphy Company, surveillance audit last March, no findings
- Port Blakely, surveillance audit last March found 2 OFIs, 2 NPs. No spill kit in the shop; on recently sprayed sites, signs should indicate safe reentry time. NPs had to do with applying WA BMPs in Oregon.
- AFM, audit this past April, no findings
- Weyerhaeuser, upcoming scope expansion audit to fold both Weyerhaeuser entities plus Plum Creek lands into one certificate
- WestRock, no updates
- Yakama Nation, surveillance audit for both Yakama Nation and Yakama Forest Products coming in September
- Georgia Pacific, audit scheduled for later this year

- Hampton, audit in the fall found one NC for fuel nozzles not being properly stored
- KapStone Kraft, Audit in May, QLP tracking process could be better (though not an NC or OFI), minor NC because audit hadn't happened within a one-year timeframe, OFI for better breaking down expenses to SFI during annual audit
- Sierra Pacific, no NCs and no OFIs during audit three weeks ago
- Olympic Resource Management, no updates
- NORPAC, no updates
- Yakama Forest Products, upcoming audit in September
- Molpus, no updates

3. Approval of the October 5, 2016 Meeting Highlights

A copy of the February 15, 2017 Highlights was distributed (Attachment 2). A motion was made to approve the highlights. The motion was seconded and approved.

- *Note: The final February 15 highlights have been posted on the WA SIC website at: <http://www.wasfi.org/minutes/index.html>.*

4. Update: Vice chair position

- With Terry Alexander's departure, Amanda Brooks of Weyerhaeuser will serve as the SIC's vice chair.

5. Update: Interstate QLP MOU

- The final Interstate Qualified Logging Professional MOU between Idaho, Washington, Oregon, California, Montana, and the Central Rockies SICs was signed 6/2/2017. It is currently housed on the WA SIC website [here](#).

6. Update: WA SIC Dues/Donation Structure

- David Brummer raised a question about how much each member organization pays in dues to the SIC. The question came up when Murphy Company joined and David was unable to see a rationale for how much each member organization pays.
- After some discussion, it seems most company representatives are comfortable with the current dues structure.

7. Update: WA SIC Partnership with UW School of Architecture

- Heather Druffel discusses the University of Washington Sustainable Wood Architecture Studio. The SIC established a partnership with the school of architecture and a visiting professor from MIT.
- The SIC donated \$1,500 to the project which allowed students to build projects.
- Heather recommends the SIC continue to provide support to the program to keep the project going. We could also do a better job providing Washington-produced goods. Other ideas include tours of timber harvest units, mills, etc. Those will cost extra money, but the SIC will probably not be able to donate more money next time. There will be opportunities for individual SIC members to provide materials.
- Doug Kennedy has added Heather's presentation to the [front page](#) of the SIC website under "What's New".
- Doug Olney said that Yakama Forest Products would be willing to provide some lumber for the project next year.

8. Report Back: SFI PP Dialogue

- David Brummer and several others from the WA SIC went. The regional meeting was well attended. Held at the new Weyerhaeuser HQ in Seattle.
- Much of the discussion focused on on-product and off-product promotions and challenges faced by member organizations.
- Some members have concerns about using the stamp because of negative perceptions among some end users.
- Several other topics were discussed including chemical use, conversion, etc.

9. SFI Role in LEED Certification (Jason Metnick, SFI)

- Jason's presentation provided information on brand-level changes at SFI, including their addition of staff in communications and program participant relations.
- The first part of the presentation is a discussion of how LEED works and how SFI-certified fiber products can be incorporated into LEED projects.
- SFI has several promotional items on their website to help SFI members integrate LEED information into their marketing and sales programs.
- Potential action items for the WA SIC:
 - Reach out to local chapters of AIA and USGBC (lunch-and-learn events)
 - Reach out to local architects and builders
 - Host tours for builders and architects to show how responsible forestry works
 - Local builders' trade shows
 - Advertise in magazines

10. Proposed Logger Training Curriculum (Jonessa Miner, Site Response)

- Jonessa was unavailable for the meeting.
- Rick Hanson raises concern about maintaining the integrity of the qualified logger training program once there are multiple outlets for training. He does not believe the proposed curriculum from Site Response adequately addresses the DNR Forest Practices standards for an on-site supervisor.
- David, Rick, and Jerry will have an off-line email conversation about the module as it exists and making sure it meets the OSS training standards.

11. WA DNR Forest Practices Reporting (Brandon Austin, WA DNR Forest Practices)

- Brandon Austin presents the work DNR FP has done to provide compliance reporting to SIC members. NOIDs, NTCs, SWOs, etc. are all now available through a Secure Access Washington interface. It will be updated monthly.
- Doug Kennedy will email out Brandon's PowerPoint presentation to the group. (Sent 6/26/2017)

12. Update: Scholarship Committee

- The SIC has awarded two scholarships of \$1,000 each, one for a rising college freshman, one for a current college student who intends to study forestry.

13. Outreach and Events

- **Outreach Opportunities**
 - WTFP will hold the Fall Forestry Seminar in Longview in September.
 - Exceptional logger form is on the SIC site. Applications are due by the end of the year.
- **Upcoming Events**

- None

Meeting Information:

- Next meeting: **October 4, 2017, 9:15AM–11:30AM**, Port Blakely Tree Farms, Tumwater, WA

----- **The meeting was adjourned at 11:55 PM by David Brummer**-----

Attachments to the June 21, 2017 WA SIC Agenda:

1. Antitrust reminder
2. February 15 WASIC meeting draft highlights
3. 2017 MOU for Interstate Recognition of QLPs
4. Draft Logger Training Curriculum

Unresolved items for October meeting:

1. Site Response will attend the October meeting to meet SIC members
2. Lisa Perry needs approval at the October meeting to continue the scholarship program
3. Approve operating budget for 2018