

Forestry Executive Committee

November 7, 2006

1:30-5:00 p.m.

RH 115

Summary

Committee Member Present: McLain, Hobbs, Salwasser, Walstad, Tesch, Montgomery, Lacey, Adams

Guests: Debbie Johnson, Norm Johnson, Glen Murphy, Dave Lysne

1:30 Invasive Species Management Plan

Debbie Johnson

Summary: Debbie Johnson gave a Power Point presentation about the invasive plant species survey that was conducted by students this past summer and its use in the final version of Appendix 7 of the McDonald-Dunn Forest Plan. This was followed by a question and answer period. Debbie asked for this appendix to be included in the forest plan.

FEC comments and discussion: The FEC commented that this was a great presentation. The time and energy involved to do this valuable risk assessment was appreciated. It is important to see how we can use this as a learning experience, think about how to get classes involved or set up as a research project.

ACTION: FEC approved appendix 7 as part of the "Forest Plan."

Information and Discussion Decision/Action Item

2:15 McDonald-Dunn Monitoring Plan

Norm Johnson and Debbie Johnson

Summary: Norm and Debbie shared a presentation about the monitoring plan for the McDonald-Dunn Forest which is proposed to replace pages 43 through 48 in the McDonald-Dunn Forest Plan. They asked the FEC to adopt the portions of this plan that have little or no new costs. In addition they presented other monitoring ideas that do have additional costs for the FEC to consider.

FEC discussion and comments: Q: How will we know how this is working? What is the plan for follow-up? A: By this time next year Norm said he should be able to show some results from his class.

ACTION: The FEC approved level I monitoring and directed the College Forest staff is to examine the Level III monitoring ideas and include those they determine appropriate and timely into the CY07 budget proposal to be presented to the FEC.

Information and Discussion Decision/Action Item

3:15 – BREAK

3:30 Theme 2 Sorting Fir-Acoustics Project

Ellen Deehan/Steve Tesch

Summary: Ellen Deehan and Steve Tesch shared a presentation about one of four RTD Projects being conducted by the Silviculture Appendix Team that supports implementation of Forest Theme goals identified in the McDonald-Dunn Forest Plan. The proposal is being presented for funding as well as College Forest staff support. The reason this needs to be approved this month is because the harvest will take place in 2007 and Dave Lysne needs to know now in order to schedule College Forest Staff time. The project will involve approximately 10 days of staff time. Rich Symons will need to prepare a separate contract as well as logger contact time and sales administration time.

This is the 7th replication of this study with Roseburg Forest Products sponsoring the other 6. Roseburg has forgone at least \$25,000-\$60,000 in revenue to support this research.

FEC discussion and comments: Q: If Roseburg provided 6 reps why do we need a 7th on the College Forest? A: It gives site specific plans and helps engage some of our faculty in the implementation of current forest plan plus it will strengthen the study. It will involve one weeks worth of measurements using approximately 40 trees that are measured extensively, then an additional 160 trees that are measured while standing or laying on the ground and after they've been bucked. Faculty feel they are asking for a relatively modest amount (\$4,000-\$9,000.) The Silviculture Appendix Team has endorsed this.

Q: We have a \$50,000. cap for this year. Will there be any other asks coming? A: The Invasive Species Appendix Team may come and ask for more if their grant does not go through, that would be for around \$5,000. Concern: This does not fit into the Silviculture theme... it fits better within the harvesting and utilization theme. Concern: Are we setting a dangerous precedent that if faculty can find financially contributing cooperators then the College will automatically provide additional funding?

Decision: FEC approved the project. FEC sees value in the project but finds it a very awkward fit into the theme. Next year FEC would like to put more thought into the criteria for approving projects and how they relate to themes.

Information and Discussion Decision/Action Item Attachment of Electronic Study Plan

4:00 FRL Advisory Committee Agenda

Steve Hobbs

Summary: The next FRL Advisory Committee has been set for November 22, 2006.

Refreshments at 9:00, meeting starts at 9:30 am. Hal would like suggestions for agenda topics.

- Overview of College /FRL budget- similar to presentation at OFIC and its implications for our programs. Bring in teaching programs. Emphasize the value we have added to the forest sector.
- Election Implications -what we think it means for the FRL and College of Forestry – invite Liz Clark and Jock Mills to provide their perspectives.
- Discuss the most important issues in the Forest Sector in coming years. Are our programs appropriately aligned with Forest Sector issues?
- Development Capital Campaign update - Lisa French.
- Discussion of how the FRL Advisory Committee can help.
- Show how the Harvest Tax dollars are spent.

ACTION: Department Heads will send Roger a list of professorial faculty showing their assigned research and teaching FTE devoted to Forest management and wood utilization by Thursday. Example:

Faculty name	Research FTE devoted to: Forest management and wood utilization	Teaching FTE devoted to: Forest Management and wood utilization
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4:30 Other:

Next FEC Meeting is 11/21/06. The FEC will discuss implications of the election and debrief the Dean's Donor Dinner.

Upcoming Key Dates:

- 11/10 College of Forestry Advisory Committee, RH 313, 1:00 – 5:00 pm
- 11/16 Starker Lecture Bill Robbins, La Sells, 4:00 pm
- 11/21 FEC Meeting, 1:30 – 5:00 pm
- 11/22 Forest Research Lab Advisory Committee, RH 115, 10:00 am – 3:00 pm
- 11/23-24 Thanksgiving Break
- 12/4 FEC Media Training, PVY 272, 1:00 – 5:00 pm
- 12/5 FEC Strategic Planning Retreat, RH 115, 8:30 – 5:00 pm
- 1/25 David Orr, Starker Lecture, CH2M Hill Alumni Center, 4:00 pm,

2/15 Andrew Miller, Starker Lecture, LaSells, 4:00 pm
3/15 Terri-Lynn Williams-Davidson, LaSells, 4:00 pm
4/5/ Jerry Franklin Starker Lecture, LaSells, 4:00 pm
5/3/ Pamela Matson, Starker Lecture, 107 Richardson Hall, 4:00 pm