Legislative Concepts for Federal Forest Management A workshop for SAF members

Preceding the NW Forestry Leadership Academy at The Oregon Garden, Silverton OR 1-5 pm, Thursday, January 15, 2015

NW SAF leaders and interested members will discuss and develop some legislative concepts for federal forest management. The goal is to be more proactive in providing leadership at the front end of forest policy development, versus simply reacting to legislative proposals developed by others in the absence of a broad base of professional input. Such a step seems timely both in terms of the persistent interest in and need for substantive changes in federal forest management, as well as with the changes in Congressional leadership.

Agenda (subject to change)

Workshop Objectives & Format, Self-introductions

Some Historical Context & Issues

- NW Forest Plan, O&C Act, ESA, CWA, litigation, etc.
- Economic & Social: County Payments, Infrastructure, etc.
- Recent Bill Proposals: "Protections & Restrictions"
- Related SAF Policy Input & Responses

Some Key Questions / Issues to Discuss & Resolve

Proposed Joint Position Statement

- Background
- Advantages / Disadvantages
- Move forward?

Scope of Lands to Consider

- National Forests / NW Forest Plan Area
- O&C Lands / Eastside / Dry Forests
- One, some or all of the above?

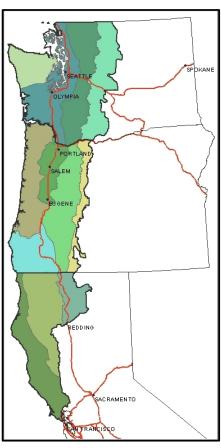
Major Issues & Related Legislative Concepts

- Landscape Management
- Old-growth & Habitat Diversity; Riparian Areas
- Regeneration Harvests; Working Federal Forests
- Others?

Priority Issues, Concepts & Approaches

- More input needed? Consensus or vote?
- How to translate concepts into policy language?
- How to move forward with legislators & other leaders?





There is no registration fee for SAF members, but to help with the event logistics *please contact* the NW Office if you plan to attend: Ph. 503-224-8046 or email amanda@forestry.org

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