

42nd Western Forest Economist Meeting

May 7 - May 9, 2007

Monday, May 7

2:00 - 7:00 PM **Registration**

7:30 PM **Fluid Sessions**

Economic and Policy Aspects of Developing Ecosystem Services Markets for Forestlands **Sunrise Suite 689**
Peter Daugherty, Oregon Department of Forestry, Fluidmaster

15 Key Points from the RPA Interim Update **Braemer Suite**
Guy Robertson, USDA Forest Service, Washington, Fluidmaster

AGENDA - DAY 1

Tuesday, May 8

7:00 - 8:30 AM **Breakfast**

7:30 AM **Registration**

8:30 - 10:00 AM **General Session** **Moderator: Gary Lettman**
Panel: PROTECTING PUBLIC VALUES and/or TAKING PRIVATE PROPERTY RIGHTS

Bob Stacey, Executive Director, 1000 Friends of Oregon
Dave Hunnicutt, President, Oregonians in Action

10:00 - 10:30 AM **Coffee Break**

10:30 - 12:00 AM

Concurrent Session 1 **Moderator: Linc Cannon**
FOREST BIOENERGY: WHERE THE FOREST MEETS THE ROAD

OFRI Woody Biomass Study
Roger Lord, Mason, Bruce and Girard, Inc

Southwestern Oregon Interagency Biomass Utilization Strategy
Tim Reuwsaat, **Blair Moody**, BLM, Medford; **Rob Shull**, USDA Forest Service, Medford

Economics of the New 10 Megawatt Cogen Plant
Kyle Freres, Freres Lumber Company

Concurrent Session 2 **Moderator: Mark Rasmussen**
VALUING PUBLIC LANDS

Idaho State Lands: Establishing an Asset Value
Jay O'Laughlin, University of Idaho

Should the State of Oregon Sell the Elliott State Forest?
Bob Ragon, Douglas Timber Operators

Valuing Public Lands: Observations about Process and Techniques
Bruce Lippke/John Perez-Garcia, University of Washington

Concurrent Session 3 **Moderator: Bill Wagner**
THE SOFTWOOD LUMBER AGREEMENT OF 2006: BAND AID OR CURE?

The 2006 Softwood Lumber Agreement: History and Overview from a BC Perspective
Lois McNabb, B.C. Ministry of Forests & Range, Victoria, Canada

The Softwood Lumber Agreement II: déjà vu all over again?
Harry Nelson, University of British Columbia, Canada

The 2006 Softwood Lumber Agreement – Blunder or Diabolical Trap?
Henry Spelter, USDA Forest Products Laboratory, Madison, Wisconsin

12:00 - 1:30 PM **Lunch** **Moderator: Linc Cannon**
Speaker: Russ Hoeflich, Oregon Director of The Nature Conservancy

Making Forest Restoration Work for Nature and People

1:30 - 3:00 PM
Concurrent Session 1 **Moderator: Darius Adams**
TRENDS AND CONDITIONS IN FOREST PRODUCTS MARKETS

Oregon's Forest Industry: Results of a Survey
Chuck Keegan, University of Montana

Understanding Timber Markets: Case Studies from PNW and the South
Tim Sydor/Brooks Mendell, Forisk Consulting LLC

Overview of Lumber Trade Trends for the US
Ivan Eastin, University of Washington

Outlook for Coastal Stumpage Prices
Phil Aust, Washington DNR

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Moderator: **Susan Alexander**

TIMBER INDUSTRY AND THE LAW

A Potpourri of Judicial Pronouncements: Legal Adequacy of Nontimber Valuation and Market Demand Analysis

Scott Horngren, Haglund Kelly Horngren Jones & Wilder LLP

Antitrust and Elasticity of Demand - The Supreme Court Wades into the Alder Market

Mike Haglund, Haglund Kelly Horngren Jones & Wilder LLP

The Value of Environmental Amenities Implied by NeoClassical Economic Growth Theory

Ron Raunikar, University of Wisconsin

Concurrent Session 3

Moderator: **Gary Lettman**

ECONOMICS OF LAND USE CHANGE

Measure 37 and the Economic Illusions of Takings

William Jaeger, Oregon State University

Land Use Projections in the Context of Salmon Recovery Planning

Eric White, USDA Forest Service, Corvallis

Influences of Higher and Better Use Values on Forest Land Conversion Rates in Washington State

Ara Erickson, Rural Technology Initiative, U. WA

3:00 - 3:30 PM

Coffee Break

3:30 - 5:00 PM

Concurrent Session 1

Moderator: **Jim Stevens**

TIMBER VALUATION

Innovations in the Economics of Log Transportation

John Sessions, Oregon State University

Economic Implications of Renewed Timber Harvesting on a Federal Forest in Western Oregon

Ted Helvoigt, ECONorthwest

Growing High Value Wood in a Global Market

Dave Walters, Roseburg Forest Products

Concurrent Session 2

Moderator: **Jim Cathcart**

FIRE IN THE FOREST

Fire Program Analysis: From an Ambitious Mandate a Complex Modeling Framework Emerges

Jeremy Fried, USFS PNW FIA

Private and Public Forest Fire Risk Management Decisions: Spatial and Strategic Interaction

Gwen Busby, Oregon State University

Results from Cost Effectiveness Analysis of Preventive Mitigation Options for Wildland Urban Interface

Keith Stockmann, University of Montana

Cost Benefit Analysis of Wildland Urban Interface Operations in the Southern Interior of British Columbia

Tom Hobby, Royal Roads University, Victoria BC Canada

Concurrent Session 3

Moderator: **Bruce Glass**

MOUNTAIN PINE BEETLE IN BC: Discussion of Strategic Implications

Mountain Pine Beetle Salvage Harvesting and Reforestation in British Columbia

Brian Peter, Canadian Forest Service

Timber Supply Impacts of the Mountain Pine Beetle in British Columbia

Kelly Sherman, Timberline Natural Resource Group Ltd, Canada

Supply-side Adjustments in a Post-Mountain Pine Beetle British Columbia

Brad Stennes, Canadian Forest Service, Victoria, BC

Market Impacts of the Mountain Pine Beetle

Bryan Bogdanski, Canadian Forest Service, Prince George, BC

5:30 - 7:30 PM

Posters, Social & Barbeque

7:30 PM

Fluid Session

Economics of Forest Bioenergy

Braemer Suite

Linc Cannon, OFIC, Fluidmaster

Mark Kendall, OR Dept. of Energy - **Mike Cloughesy**, OFRI - **Joe Misek**, OR Dept. Forestry

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AGENDA - DAY 2

Wednesday May 9

7:00 - 8:30 AM	Breakfast
8:30 - 10:00 AM	General Session Moderator: Bruce Lippke
STUDY OF THE FUTURE OF WASHINGTON'S FORESTS	

The Legislative Request and the DNR/UW Response Plan

Craig Partridge, Washington DNR

Major Issues & Findings in the Assessment

Bruce Lippke, John Perez-Garcia & Ivan Eastin, University of Washington

Washington Forest Forum Recommendations & Legislative Response

Brian Boyle, Director, Washington Forest Forum

10:00 - 10:30 AM

Coffee Break

10:30 - 12:00 AM

Concurrent Session 1 TECHNICAL DETAIL OF WASHINGTON STATE'S STUDY	Moderator: Bruce Lippke
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Eastside Climate Change to Fire to Carbon to Biomass with Infrastructure Declines

Elaine Oneil, Rural Technology Initiative, U. WA

Westside Management to Economics to Buffers to Habitat with Conversions

Kevin Zobrist, Rural Technology Initiative, U. WA

Economic and Competitiveness Changes

John Perez-Garcia, University of Washington

Concurrent Session 2 FOREST PLANNING DECISION SUPPORT	Moderator: Keith Stockmann
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When IMPLAN Just Won't Do It: Modeling the Western Oregon Plan Revision

Dan Green, Forest Econ Inc

Does Monopolistic Competition Explain Intra-industry Trade of Forest Products?

Sija Zhang, University of Wisconsin

Large Wood Recruitment: Effects of Different Regulatory Approaches on Outcomes in Riparian Areas

Mike Cafferata, Oregon Department of Forestry

Nonstationarity, Autocorrelation, and Colinearity in Modeling Forest Products Markets

Nainfu Song/Sun J. Chang, Louisiana State University

Concurrent Session 3 POTPOURRI OF TOPICS	Moderator: Chuck Lorenz
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Building the ECON Extension to FVS - Functionality and Lessons Learned

Fred Martin, Washington DNR

The Impacts of Changes in Federal Timber Harvest on Forest Carbon Sequestration and Log Markets in Western Oregon

Eun Ho Im, Darius Adams, Greg Latta, Oregon State University

Spatial Factors Influencing Large Wildland Fire Suppression Expenditures

Jingjing Liang, USDA Forest Service, Missoula, Montana

Long-term Impacts of Diameter Caps in Douglas-Fir and Western Hemlock Forests

Mo Zhou, University of Wisconsin

12:00 - 1:00 PM

Lunch & Business Meeting