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Minutes

February 6, 2006

Present: Ken, Gordy, Al, Dave, Dick, Lisa, Fred, Tim, Chuck, Paul, Aubrey and staff: Kendra

Guest: Will Van Uttelen, Larry Mitchem

- I. Meeting opened at 7:00 a.m.
- II. Introductions
- III. Discussion Items:
 - a. Letter from the DNR to the FAB re Blanchard Mt.
 - b. Feedback from the members after 1 year of the formation of the FAB- Generally everyone felt good about the FAB and the operating procedures. It has been a good forum to react and discuss issues affecting the industry, but most importantly a needed forum to help keep the Commissioners informed on those issues. It has provided an environment where the different timber interests have been able to share and collaborate on ideas and generate a consensus based action plan.
 - i. Dave has run good meetings and needs to keep them to no more than the two hour allotment. Dave will start meetings at 7:00 sharp even if a quorum is not present in order to get through all of the information.
 - ii. Al- need to keep ideas for the industries viability
 - iii. Need to make sure replacement member for Andy is done
 - c. BAS (Best Available Science) what does this mean to the industry? Need to do a literature review of the studies and science to verify that the work on buffers shows up and to show that they are working...this needs to be happening at the FB level as well.
 - i. Need to show that the whole FF process has been a disaster

- ii. The no net loss policy needs to be equal for everybody.
Need to make sure that the BoCC is informed about this issue and ask them to not allow the NO Net Loss.
- d. Comp Plan work session on Feb 16 before the Planning Commission...Paul was not told the date, but the 16th does not work for him
- e. Update on the FF Policy stream typing subcommittee in Olympia
- f. Blanchard Mt update...no news and the word from NW DNR was that a plan was to be presented for public review...more discussion on the letter from the DNR....waiting to form a review committee.

IV. Meeting Adjourned at 9:00 a.m.