



**SKAGIT COUNTY FOREST
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**Minutes
October 1, 2007**

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

Absent: Tom

- I. Call to order 7:04 a.m.
- II. Minutes forthcoming.
- III. Motion made by Tim and seconded by Ken to have Aubrey to continue to reside as vice-chair. Passed unanimous.
- IV. No Public Correspondence
- V. Discussion:
 - a. Elected Officials woods tour. October 3rd. The stops are as follows:
 - i. Business operations – investments.
 - ii. RMAP/FP rules
 - iii. Channel mitigation will be mentioned as well as the mosaic fabric of the landscape.
 - iv. Slides, natural/ mass wasting
 - v. Gravel pit

There will be on-going discussion on the bus. Stress the need for certainty.
 - b. WSU extension. Al met the new WSU hire Kevin Z. He worked under Lippke at the U of W and understands many of the studies put together for the Forest Forum.
 - b. Moratorium: Dave and Aubrey had discussed the fact that John Copper said that if a harvest occurred on a portion of the parcel then the density could not be transferred....no incentive to cluster. Dave met with Commishs. Debated how to protect long term forestry and the forests. Opportunity for the FAB to change policy. Just because lands are platted forces the CAO and that is WRONG. (Gordy). Language of the policy created is confusing. Aubrey suggested looking at what King County has done.
 - c. Chuckanut Mountain Park District update: Boundary Review Board postponed their meeting until SEPA was concluded.
 - d. Blanchard Mt. Discussion on the lawsuit filed against the DNR SEPA. Skagit County filed to be an intervener. Mitch said his group will do the same. Lots of editorials in the paper.
 - e. Lake Whatcom. Paul reported on a conversation he had with Bill Wallace. The DNR has not absolutely agreed to land trades and if they do it may not be all of the land...only those areas that are especially environmentally sensitive.
 - f. Next topics:
 - i. Rock pit
 - ii. Moratorium

- iii. AAB/FAB joint meeting (escapement, education, critical mass, good stuff being accomplished)
- iv. Deviation on a permit requiring a brand new application
- v. State aquatics and log transport
- vi. How does the Industry get a seat on the Fisheries Commission?
- g. Meeting adjourned at 9:03 a.m. Next meeting November 5 .