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Minutes

August 11, 2014

Present: Chuck, Ken, Dave, Tim, Tom, Paul, Gordy, Aubrey

Absent: Fred, Lisa, Al, Steve

I. Introduction. Tim noted that his email has changed to Tim.Rashco.comcast.net

II. Minute – Add Ken to being present for the July meeting. Gordy moved to approve as amended, Chuck seconded. Passed unanimous.

III. Correspondence. NW Natural Resource sent an email asking to come to the next FAB meeting and update the FAB on a contract they have with the DNR. Some FAB members researched this group and there did not appear to be very much information of who they are. They will be invited to the next FAB meeting. FAB said they should ask Al about this group.

Tom noted that Sierra Pacific has joined WFPA.

IV. Forest Practice Policy- Kendra gave an update on the Policy work. She has been sending updated information to members via email and asking for input as the materials have become available. The primary focus for August was the completion of the biannual budget (4 million for CMER) and the unstable slope Forest Practice Board motion. FAB said they should request a large woody debris study to see if it makes sense to be putting this into the streams and then having them back up, flood and even have debris flows.. Gordy noted the potential risk form buffers as they restrict the natural flushing out of the water passages. Ken discussed what their company has gone through since the slide and will be sharing the reports with the FAB. Kendra will pass along when she gets them.

V. State lands- Kendra reported that the DNR is still gathering information on the marbled Murrelet before they complete the sustainable harvest. They will also be addressing the arrearage to the counties.

VI. Alternative meeting dates. FAB thought that meeting on Tuesdays would be a better day and asked Kendra to look into it.

VII. Adjourned. 9:02 a.m.