



## SKAGIT COUNTY FOREST ADVISORY BOARD

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## Minutes November 23, 2016

Present: Paul, Tim, Al, Gordy, Aubrey, Tom, Lisa, Fred, Ken and Steve

Absent: Dave and Chuck

Guest: Ed Shaffer

I. Minutes: August and September were moved by Paul and seconded by Gordy for approval. Unanimous.

## II. Discussion:

- a. RFI update: FAB members discussed what was presented to them at the last meeting. There was a lot of discussion regarding the requirement for storm water plans. The FAB voted to let PDS know that if they were going to require a storm water plan on the forest open space then they would not be supporting the RFI in any fashion. It appeared to the FAB that PDS was going well beyond forest practice requirements. By allowing a storm water plan to be associated with forest practices it was sending a very bad message with no science. They were disappointed PDS brought this forward. Ed Shaffer commented that it appeared that PDS added a lot more to the original RFI developed by the FAB, especially regulations. It looks like the County wants to take over rules with forestry. Tom noted that there is more stability when rules are consistent and the PDS proposal is not consistent with forest practice rules. FAB asked Kendra to research the County taking on jurisdiction of Class IVs. The FAB said they didn't think this was a good idea and to continue as is with the DNR overseeing any forest practices. Tom reiterated that RFI should be all or nothing and to let the Commissioners know.
- b. Forest practice: Kendra updated FAB on the results of the Forest Practice Board and Policy meetings. The FPB has given Policy until their May meeting to have resolved the F/N break either through dispute resolution or with a minority/majority report. Policy presented to the FPB a spreadsheet showing the votes for each specific item form each caucus. FPB authorized the split of \$300,000 for LiDAR pilot for a modeled map and physical/habitat studies.

III Adjourn: 9:05