

STAFF REPORT

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SUMMARY

At the January 3, 2007 meeting, the Board of Forestry (Board) reviewed the next iteration of the suggested performance measures and a feasibility analysis of those measures presented at the November 3, 2006 meeting. The Board provided staff with additional direction on the development of the performance measures for adoption.

The purpose of this agenda item is to propose a finalized version of the State Forests Program's performance measures for adoption by the Board, and requests Board approval for the Department to present the first evaluation of those measures in June 6, 2007 in order to determine whether or not the current forest management plans are likely to achieve greatest permanent value (GPV).

CONTEXT, BACKGROUND AND ANALYSIS

The development of State Forests Program's performance measures has the potential to provide a tool to assist the Board in evaluating over time whether or not GPV is being achieved. By adopting a range of measures that span the breadth of what is to be provided under GPV, these performance measures can inform the Board on a periodic basis of what environmental, social, and economic outputs are occurring on state forest lands, and whether or not that suite of outputs is judged by the Board, as achieving the GPV.

Each of the nine performance measures are discussed in detail in the attached documents.

At the request of the Board, at its January 3, 2007 meeting, two sections have been added to each measure:

- Context for the measure; and
- Analysis

RECOMMENDATIONS/ACTIONS REQUESTED

During this meeting, the Board will consider the proposed final performance measures for adoption. This will include the approval of an interim calculation of the current “return on asset value” to be used in the evaluation of one of the performance measures in June 6, 2007.

Information on this interim calculation will be presented and distributed at the March 7, 2007 Board meeting.

NEXT STEPS

If the Board approves the performance measures, the Department will present datasets that inform these measures to the Board at its June 6, 2007 meeting.

The Board will then have the opportunity to make a determination on whether or not the current forest management plans are likely to achieve the GPV.

GUIDE TO ATTACHED DOCUMENTS

- Attachment 1 – Context for Nine State Forests Program Performance Measures
- Attachment 2 – Proposed State Forests Program Performance Measures
- Attachment 3 – State Forests Performance Measures Matrix