

Agenda Item No.:	4
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Objective # & Title:	State Forests Framework Background
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SUMMARY

The purpose of this agenda item is to:

- Review a background paper on State Forests planning, decision making, and periodic review.
- Solicit Board feedback on the development of an issue paper, which will facilitate Board discussion and decisions on any adjustments to the framework.

CONTEXT AND BACKGROUND

In 2001, the Board of Forestry adopted, by administrative rule, the Forest Management Plans (FMP) for northwest and southwest state forest lands. In 2007, the Board adopted nine performance measures related to these FMP. Additional work is needed to determine how to best integrate the performance measures into the existing or revised State Forests planning and decision making framework, and to more clearly articulate how periodic reviews of the performance measures and FMP will be conducted.

The State Forests Program submitted the concept of improving this framework through the Board’s 2007 Issue Scan, with a recommendation that it be incorporated into the Board’s existing work plan. The Board’s Issue Scan Work Group accepted the recommendation, the program developed a work plan for this item, and reviewed the work plan with the Board at the January 2008 meeting. The first element of the work plan is the development of a background paper to provide some historical context for Board discussions and decisions.

RECOMMENDATION

The Department recommends the Board review the attached background paper and provide any guidance or feedback for the development of an issue paper with alternatives.

NEXT STEPS

At the June 2008 meeting, the Board will review and discuss an issue paper with alternatives for adjusting the program framework.

ATTACHMENTS

- (1) ODF State Forests Planning, Decision Making, and Review Framework, Background Paper