

MEETING SUMMARY
WASHINGTON CLIMATE ADVISORY TEAM (CAT)
Forestry Technical Work Group
(Forestry TWG)
Call #1, May 1, 2007, 1:00 – 2:30pm

Attendance:

1. Technical Working Group members:
Steve Fluke, Craig Partridge, Edie Sonne-Hall, John Floberg, Richard Gustafson, Becky Kelley, Llewellyn Matthews, Dave McEntee, Heath Packard, Denise Pranger, Kevin Raymond, Steve Stinson, Anthony Chavez (for Edie Sonne-Hall),
2. Center for Climate Strategies (CCS) staff:
Katie Bickel, Steve Roe
3. Washington Ecology (ECY) and Community, Trade and Economic Development (CTED) Liaisons and Attendees:
Steve Bernath, Tony Usibelli
4. Public Attendees: None
5. Observers: Kathy O'Halloran (USFS), Gill Sandler (ECY), Tracy Walters (ECY)

Background documents:

(all posted at http://www.ecy.wa.gov/climatechange/cat_twg_forest.htm)

1. Powerpoint presentation for meeting.
2. Catalog of State Actions.
3. Descriptions of Catalog Items.
4. Draft WA GHG Inventory & Forecast Report.

Discussion items and key issues:

1. Roll call and introductions of TWG, CCS, and State contacts conducted.
2. CCS reviewed the Agenda for the call.
3. Tony Usibelli of CTED gave an overview of the purpose and key outcomes of the process. A key issue is the contracted schedule for the process. Report to completed in less than a year (January 2008).
4. CCS provided an overview of the process, including the parallel CAT process which is addressing climate change adaptation. Roles of the different process participants were covered. The TWG's role to support the actions of the CAT was described (primarily in

technical analysis and providing recommendations to the CAT). The 10-Step CCS Work Plan for working through each step in the process was also covered. The TWG is currently working on the first 3 steps.

5. CCS reviewed the WA GHG inventory and forecast and more specifically at the forestry sector estimates. TWG members should review at least the Forestry Appendix of the GHG Inventory & Forecast report, so that any issues can be covered on the next call.
6. CCS briefly covered the Catalog of State GHG Actions and the Descriptions of Catalog Items. TWG members are asked to review these materials in more detail before the next call and be ready to discuss additions and revisions to the catalog on the next call.

Next steps and agreements:

1. The next TWG meeting will be held on May 23, from 10-11:30am.
2. TWG members are asked to review the GHG Inventory & Forecast for additional discussion in the next call.
3. TWG members are asked to review the Catalog of State Actions and the Descriptions of Catalog Items documents and provide suggestions for missing actions or revisions to existing actions.
4. CCS will post the recent Winrock report for the WA Department of Natural Resources covering carbon sequestration opportunities in the agriculture and forestry sectors to the Forestry TWG website.