

**Sub-Committee Coast PAC Meeting, June 11, 2003
Corvallis, OR**

Attendees: Alan Henning, Trish Hogervorst, Ron Phillips, Renee Ferris, Cindy Enstrom, Barry Wulff, Bill Helphinstine, Dick Powell, Mandy Cole, Joni Quarnstrom

Goal: Focus on Economic Side of Forest Plan.

Pick a goal, then come up with a manageable project for the PAC.

- Stewardship Pilot – may be a means to a project.
- Throw open any type of economic idea over the NW Forest Plan.

Project Opportunities

- Within Siuslaw Stewardship.
- Within New Stewardship Authority that includes BLM.
- Within current NW Forest Plan land management.

Discussion – (this discussion lasted about 45 – 1 hour and included a brief overview on the Siuslaw Basin Stewardship Project from Bill Helphinstine, South Zone District Ranger.)

How many stewardship plans can we have?

- We can have multiple plans/projects.
 - Build consensus with communities around stewardship pilots.
 - Larger Stewardship pilot needs, stakeholder group = PAC may be perfect fit.
 - One member of PAC to sit on current stakeholder group = Johnny Sundstrom is doing that now.
 - Are there other ideas that the sub-committee can explore and screen?
 - Uncomfortable only focusing on stewardship pilot .
 - Are there other things out there to consider?
 - Identify problems and come back to solution.
 - Long term = Newport will be there, 100-200 years from now. What can we do to help? Is this a short-term solution? (85% LSR.)
 - Compatible with rules – hope there is a need and a drive.
 - Recognition that local stakeholder group knows their community and needs.
 - Stewardship has \$400,000 to invest. We can have a win-win situation. Ground contractors need some long term assurance.
 - Develop a work plan that the PAC can do, for a ten-year time frame.
 - Private world does this all the time (work a plan).
 - Private world operates under different environmental standards and rules of the game.
 - How many of the listed projects are supported by taxes, or support themselves?
 - Salal, Timber, Poles.
 - No Project alternative – is there value to the agencies for the PAC to do a project?
 - Is this the ultimate test of the PAC? If this doesn't work, does the PAC go home?
 - Advisory committees are valuable and rare in the country. Info sharers.
 - PAC can't exist if we are not able to tackle change.
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Brainstorming for Projects

- Six-foot wide path from Honeyman to the Dunes (*rec/tourism*) – ATV use.
 - Valley to Coast Trail- hikers, equestrian, valley to coast trail – ATV's and Mountain Bikes (*rec/tourism*).
 - Forest – Social – Tribes (*rec/tourism/education*).
 - Cultural Heritage Expedition money to caterer, outfitter guide hotels.
 - Go to established groups like watershed councils and SWCD, etc. to visit with people and relay thoughts on economic opportunities back to federal managers.
 - What kind of help can we give to small contractors i.e., during window of down time (Jan-July/August) (project is the out-put of this, many different kinds of help).
 - Outsourcing- is there any way to keep jobs in the local area? Have PAC make this suggestion
 - Stewardship Pilot – focus on BLM, Marys Peak resource area – get chunk of land, Thinning > Recreation generate money. It must be sustainable product.
 - Recreation – considerable economic.
 - Noxious weed control (*restoration*).
 - Special Forest Products – greenery, salal, nursery business mushrooms flowers.
 - Secondary markets for forest products – furniture making, post making.
 - Eco-tourism.
 - Business retention – try to keep school, identity there, natural resource business going away.
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Criteria for Prioritizing Projects

- Project will benefit social, environment, economic.
- Small baby step-achievable within a timeframe – 1 year accomplishment.
- Accomplishable by PAC.
- Does the community need it?
- Sustainable, long-term benefit.
- A measurable outcome/success.
- Define project clearly.
- Projects must harmonize with other projects.

Category Umbrella Hierarchy

Stewardship

Business retention and development.

- Recreation/Tourism.
- Restore: Noxious.
- Secondary Forest Products.
- Special Forest Products.
- Education.

Loose Ends

- Joni will distribute new and current stewardship authority.
- What are parameters to working, \$\$, lots of information missing.
- Don't forget the value of the PAC – Advisory committees are valuable and rare throughout the country. The PAC can't exist if we are not able to tackle change.