



Carbon and Forest Management Work Group Legislative Progress Report



July 10 | 9 am – 3 pm

Meeting #8

Today's Discussion

- Basic information about the report, such as audience, reviews, and distribution
- Report outline



Basic Information



Why Report to the Legislature?

A report was required by Section 3(c) of the Budget Proviso:

c) A report of the stakeholder group's findings, including any information received in work performed in (b) of this subsection (3), must be submitted to the appropriate committees of the legislature by December 1, 2023.

Met the requirement but volunteered to provide subsequent reports in 2024 and 2025.



Second of Three Legislative Reports

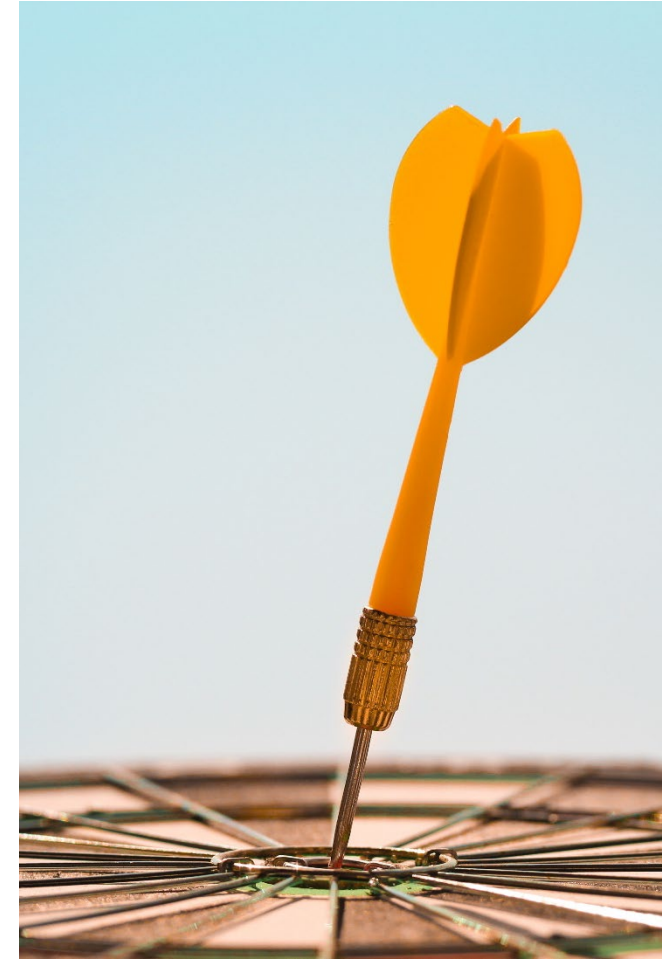
- Report 1: Progress only, submitted December 1, 2023
- **Report 2: Progress only, due December 2, 2024**
- Report 3: Final report with recommendations and minority reports, due late 2025 (Final date to be determined)

These are **separate** reports, rather than one report that is revised twice.



What will it Cover?

- Describes major **accomplishments since December 2023**, including the status of modeling efforts.
- Will **not** include ESSA's preliminary analysis results due to review timeline.
- Will **not** include recommendations; those will go in the final report.



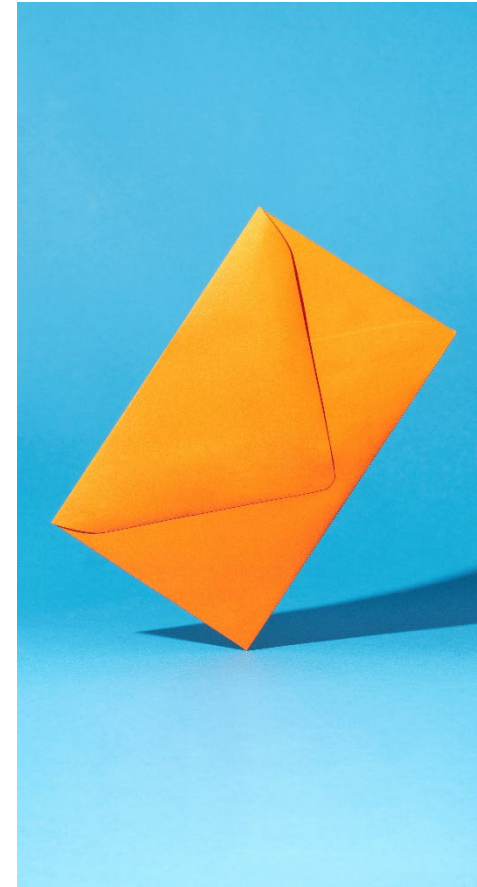
Roles and Responsibilities

- **DNR:** Primary author
- **Work group:** Feedback on the outline (in today's meeting) and review of report
- **Consultants:** BluePoint contribute one section; ESSA/Evergreen review model sections during writing process



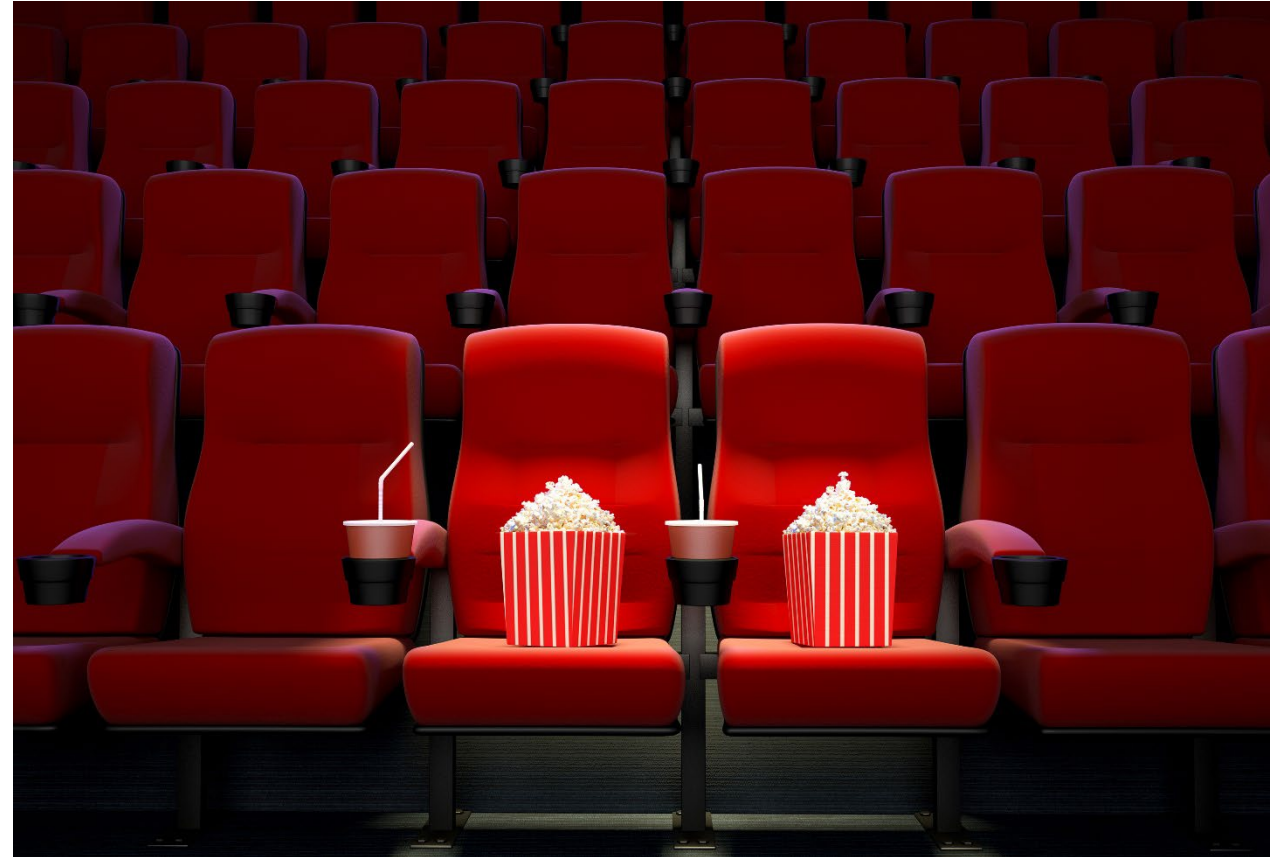
How is the Report Distributed?

- Submitted to the legislature.
- Posted to DNR.wa.gov on the Carbon and Forest Management web page.
- Email sent work group members with a link to the report.



Possible Audience Outside Legislature

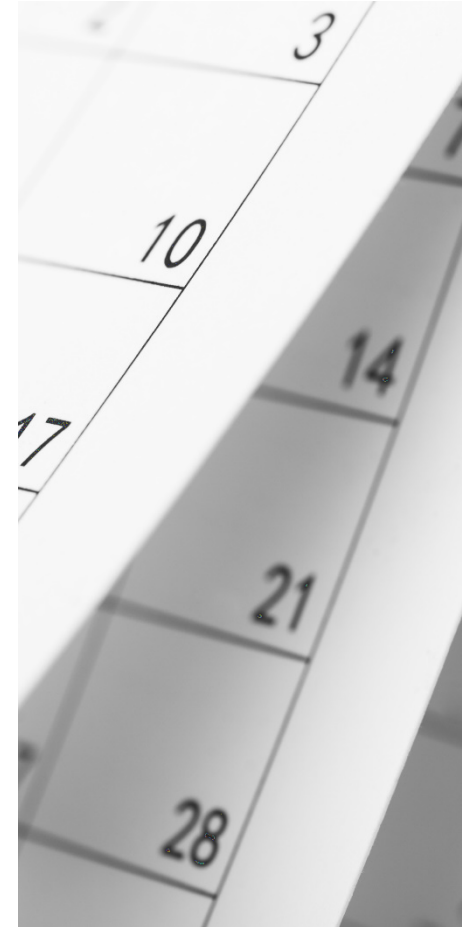
- Work group members
- Trust beneficiaries
- Stakeholders
- Tribes
- Public
- DNR staff



Schedule (Anticipated)

- First draft: End of August
- DNR internal review: Early September
- **Work group review: Late September/Early October (2 weeks), possibly over email***
- DNR revisions and additional internal review: October through November
- Final report submitted: December 2

***Anticipated September 26 to October 10, but dates could shift**



Report Contents



Report Length

- For busy legislators, shorter is better.
- Currently estimating ~16 to 30 pages plus appendices.



Introductory Sections

- Executive summary
 - Summarizes key points
 - Written last
- Introduction
 - Summarizes what the proviso is and what it requires
 - Basic information on DNR and state trust lands
 - Specifies that this is the second of three reports



Part 1: Project Overview

- **Explain the project** in broad strokes.
- Provides a **project timeline**.
- Summarizes **tasks completed or in progress**.
- Indicates **steps still pending**.



Part 2: Management Scenarios

Development Process

Summarizes the process followed to develop scenarios, starting with original “dial” concept and progressing through refining scenarios and voting. Will include basic meeting information, such as the platform (Zoom), quorums, voting process, and so forth.*

***Overview only, full meeting summaries available online**



Descriptions of Management Scenarios

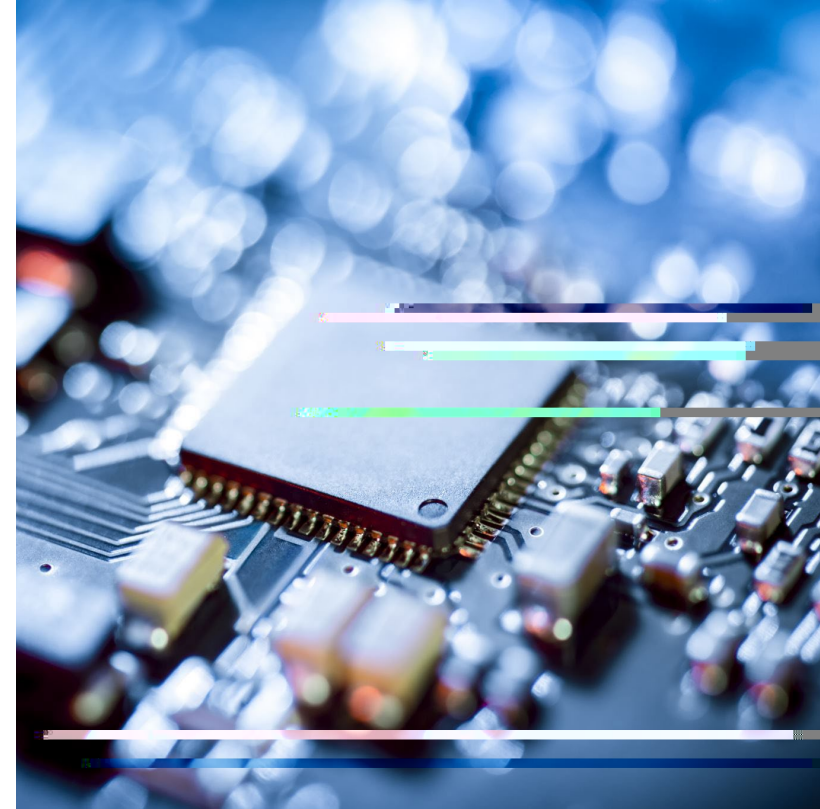
Brief description of each adopted scenario; full “adopted scenarios” document to be included as an appendix.



Part 3: Modeling

High-level summary of what the modeling will do and the type of information it will provide for a largely non-technical audience.

This is not a deep dive into modeling technique.



Part 3: Modeling

For each modelling effort, describe:

- Purpose
- Model(s) used
- Scenarios analyzed
- Analysis period
- Study area
- Ownerships included (state, federal, tribal, private)
- Outputs/information it will provide
- Whether climate change will be incorporated
- Status



Conclusion

- Summarize key points.
- Indicate next steps in project.
- Set expectations for final report.



Appendices

- State trust lands fact sheet
- Budget proviso text
- Wood Supply Study
- Adopted scenario document



Is anything missing?

