State of Oregon

Department of Environmental Quality

Memorandum

Date:

Oct. 20, 2017

To:

Environmental Quality Commission

From:

Richard Whitman, Director

Subject:

Agenda item C: Post-tour debrief

Nov. 2-3, 2017, EQC meeting

Purpose of item

Commissioners and Board of Forestry members will have an opportunity to provide feedback regarding the day's joint meeting and tour and discuss next steps for collaborative solutions to environmental concerns in Oragan's forested lands

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Background

The Oregon Board of Forestry and the Environmental Quality Commission have several areas of co-responsibility or oversight for the health of Oregon's air, land and water. This unique relationship offers the two bodies, and their respective agencies, the opportunity to create collaborative solutions to environmental concerns.

On Nov. 2, 2017, the commission will tour several sites near Eugene that demonstrate forest management techniques and discuss water and air quality concerns, including smoke management from prescribed burns.

Following the tour, commissioners and board members will reconvene to discuss their feedback on the tour and information discussed throughout the day. This item will also be a time for other state and local government partners to discuss their work and ongoing opportunities for collaboration.

EQC involvement

No commission action is requested at this time.

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