McDonald & Dunn Forest Management Planning Process

Spring 2022 – Fall 2023
Oregon State University
College of Forestry

• Research
  ○ leader of innovation and discovery in all aspects of forest management, forest products, natural resource policy, recreation & tourism

• Teaching
  ○ ~1,200 undergraduates; degrees in Forestry; Forest Engineering; Natural Resources; Renewable Materials; Tourism, Recreation and Adventure Leadership
  ○ ~200 graduate students

• Outreach/Extension
  ○ largest Forestry & Natural Resources Extension program in the nation
OSU College of Forestry Research Forests

• 10 forest tracts around the state
• These Research Forests provide unique opportunities available to few other colleges
  o Research – living laboratory for discovery
  o Teaching – outdoor classroom for learning and skill development
  o Extension/Outreach – extensive sites for real-world demonstration and training
• McDonald Forest + Dunn Forest = 11,500 acres in Corvallis
  o Management plan was developed in 2005
  o We are now creating a new plan
2019 - Interim Dean Anthony Davis committed that the College would create a new collaboratively developed forest management plan for the McDonald & Dunn Forests

2020 - Current Dean Tom DeLuca was hired
- Convened a College Research Forests Advisory Committee
- Charged them with crafting Vision, Mission, Goals for all Research Forests
- Charged them with outlining a process for developing a management plans for the McDonald and Dunn Forests

Our planning process follows these recommendations, and is guided by the Vision, Mission, and Goals that emerged from their efforts
Guidance for the Forest Planning Process

• **Vision** - The OSU Research Forests aspire to be globally recognized as a model for an actively and sustainably managed forest system that supports the College’s desire to advance forestry through scientific inquiry, education, and the application of new knowledge to inform best practices of forest management

• **Mission**
  - To create opportunities for education, research, and outreach to address the economic, social, and environmental values of current and future generations of Oregonians and beyond
  - To demonstrate how an actively and sustainably managed forest fosters economic prosperity, biodiversity conservation, and resilience amidst disturbances and global change
  - To support social and cultural values of forests, enhancing the wellbeing of local communities, Tribal communities, and our broader citizenship

• **Goals**

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- Inventory of Academic Use – Understand current forest use for Research/Teaching/Outreach
- Community Listening Session – Identify topics of interest and concern
- Academic User Listening Session – Discuss forest use for Research/Teaching/Outreach
- Stakeholder Advisory Committee Meetings – Examine 2005 plan
- Faculty Planning Committee Meetings – Examine 2005 plan
- Email address – Submit written comments
### McDonald & Dunn Research Forests Management Planning Process

#### Phase I: Information gathering, Discussions, Assessment of former FMP
**(Spring-Summer 2022)**
- Initial Interviews
- Inventory of Academic Use
- Community Listening Session
- Academic User Listening Session
- Stakeholder Advisory Committee Meetings
- Faculty Planning Committee Meetings
- Forest Planning Mailbox

#### Phase II: Synthesizing, Modeling, Refining
**(Fall 2022-Spring 2023)**
- Stakeholder Advisory Committee Meetings
- Faculty Planning Committee Meetings
- Community Listening Sessions

#### Phase III: Finalizing
**(Summer-Fall 2023)**
- Review of draft plan by the Dean and Forestry Executive Committee
- Forest management plan refinement
- Forest management plan approval
Opportunities for Input on McDonald & Dunn Forest Plan

• 3 Community Listening Sessions

• Opportunities for you to provide input to COF regarding the new McDonald-Dunn Forest Management Plan

• ‘Listening Sessions’: the College is listening

• Each session will cover a different set of topics
Today, the COF requests your input on 3 broad topics regarding what the McDonald-Dunn Forest Management Plan should include:

- **What should the McDonald-Dunn Forest Management Plan include to ensure the forests provide opportunities for innovative education, research, and extension/outreach?**

- **What should the McDonald-Dunn Forest Management Plan include to ensure the forests provide opportunities to explore how sustainable management can balance multiple objectives (including conservation, climate and wildfire resiliency, harvest/revenue, and other objectives)?**

- **What should the McDonald-Dunn Forest Management Plan include to ensure the forests provide opportunities for recreation and community connections?**