

Research Forests Advisory Committee
March 29, 2021

Advisory Committee Members present (via Zoom): Woodam Chung, Michael Collins, Emily Jane Davis, Stephen Fitzgerald, Fred Kamke, Ian Munanura, Michael Nelson, Matt Powers, Jim Rivers

Agenda and minutes

1. **Continue discussion of draft Research Forests vision, mission, and goals** - The advisory committee discussed a revised draft of the Research Forests vision, mission, and goals documented presented to the Forestry Executive Committee in January 2020. Suggestions and questions included:
 - How to address social and cultural values?
 - Where is fire addressed?
 - Does there need to be more of a focus on ecological values?
 - Add an outcome to the mission statement.
 - How do we address revenue? Is it a mission or a goal?
 - Should the term be financial sustainability instead of revenue?
 - How do we want to address community and recreation within the goals?
 - Do we want to use the term continuous improvement or change to adaptive management?

A discussion occurred regarding whether or not goal statements in this document should be general or specific. There was general agreement across the committee that the individual forest management plans would include metric-specific goals.

As a result of the discussion, the committee updated the Research Forests vision, mission, and goals document. It was agreed by the committee a preamble would need to be added, and the committee would approve the document at the next meeting.

2. **Discuss next steps for RF mission, vision, and goals** – The committee agreed that the next step, once the committee approves the draft document, would be to send the document to the college community for input. Following input, the RF advisory committee would submit to FEC for discussion in June.