

SUMMARY

PDR Oversight Committee Meeting 6975 Hannegan Rd. Bellingham, WA

February 1, 2006

Members present: Rod Erickson, Veronica Wisniewski; Staff: Kraig Olason, PDS, Jessica Buer, PDS; Guests: John Gillies, USDA.

1. Public Comments

There were no public comments.

2. Review of Minutes

No Quorum. January's meeting minutes were not reviewed.

3. PDR Program Review by AAC

A copy of the Agriculture Advisory Committee PDR Program Review, Third Draft was made available to the committee by Chuck Antholt and Jessica. The committee, or members present, reviewed the third draft and discussed how the review may be able to help the program. No definitive conclusions at this point.

4. PDR Oversight Committee Vacancies

The members discussed the need to fill two board vacancies. The vacancies are one farmer position and one incorporated city citizen position. Kraig has been in contact with ? at the Bellingham Coop. ? believes that the incorporated city citizen position can be filled by someone on the Coop Board.

5. Round IV Applicants

Kraig indicated that the ranking process for the Round IV applicants would begin mid-February. The current applications to rank are Steve Groen and Greg Ebe. Applications for Roger Bajema and George Train have not been submitted at this point.

6. Open Space "Working Landscape" Forum

A handout regarding the Open Space Forum was made available to the committee by Kraig and Jessica. The members reviewed the handout and provided several useful comments and suggestions. Veronica suggested adding the Bellingham Public Works Watershed Advisory Committee to the list of possible agencies/organizations to involve.

She also suggested adding representatives from Fish and Wildlife and City and County Parks.

The committee agreed to move the forum date back to April to allow more preparation time. In addition, the committee will look into a possible facilitator for the forum, possibly from Western Washington University.

The next meeting will be March 1, 2006 at 8:30 a.m. at the Conservation District Office.

Signed,

Rod Erickson, Chair

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