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AGENDA

FOREST PRACTICES BOARD

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**Semi-Annual Rule-Making Agenda for
January - June 2024**

The forest practices board's (board) mandate is to adopt rules to protect the state's public resources while maintaining a viable forest products industry. The following rule proposals are under development or are anticipated during this time period. There may be additional rule-making activity not on the agenda as conditions warrant.

1. **Water Typing System.** The board has been engaged in rule development to establish a permanent water typing system. The board may initiate rule making in May 2024.

2. **Type Np Water Buffer.** The board may initiate rule making in November 2024 on Type Np Water (nonfish perennial) riparian management zone buffers in chapter 222-30 WAC.

3. **Northern Spotted Owl Safe Harbor Agreement.** The board may begin the rule-making process in late 2024 to develop rules to implement SB 5390 that will allow the department of natural resources (DNR) to administer a voluntary programmatic safe harbor agreement for the Northern spotted owl.

4. **Water Typing Lidar Map-based Model.** The board confirmed a lidar map-based model as a goal for the permanent water typing system rule. The board may engage in rule making when there is sufficient statewide lidar coverage.

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