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FOREST PRACTICES BOARD

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Semi-Annual Rule-Making Agenda July - December 2023

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 late 2023.
- 2. Type Np Water Buffer. The board may initiate rule making in early 2024 on Type Np Water (nonfish perennial) riparian management zone buffers in chapter 222-30 WAC.
- 3. Marbled Murrelet. The board approved an expedited rule making at its May 10, 2023, meeting to amend critical habitat rules for marbled murrelet. The board may consider adoption of the rules at their August 2023 [meeting].
- 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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