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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. Elements to include in the rule are ongoing. The board may initiate rule making in late 2023.

2. **Type Np Water Buffer**. The board may initiate rule making in late 2023 on Type Np Water (nonfish perennial) riparian management zone buffers in chapter 222-30 WAC.

3. **Marbled Murrelet**. Based on recommendations of the Wildlife Working Group, the board may consider rule making to amend critical habitat rules for marbled murrelet in chapter 222-16 WAC.

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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