

BOARD OF FORESTRY

MEETING AGENDA

March 27, 2025 ~ 10:00am to 2:00pm

Board Room

900 Natural Resources Drive

Charlottesville, VA 22903

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AGENDA ITEMS

1 – CONVENE MEETING, CALL TO ORDER

Anti-Trust Acknowledgement

2 – ROLL CALL – Executive Assistant Mary Weaver

3 – ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

4 – RECOGNITION OF GUESTS AND VISITORS

5 – HEARING OF CITIZENS

6 – APPROVAL OF MINUTES

October 31, 2024

7 – SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE & FORESTRY UPDATE –Secretary Matthew Lohr

8 – STATE FORESTER’S REPORT – State Forester Rob Farrell

Introduce Chief of Operations Robbie Talbert, Budget Officer Amanda Jones, and Policy and Legislative Analyst Nathan Thomson

9 – INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Status of DOF Federal funding – Chief of Administration Amanda Davis

BMP Manual revisions – Deputy State Forester Ed Zimmer

Open Air Burning recent code changes – Chief of Emergency and Fire Response John Miller

10 – ACTION ITEMS

Reforestation of Timberlands (RT) 2025 Practice and Rates - Director of Forest Management Dean Cumbia

Hardwood cost-share rate change - Dean Cumbia

Election of Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson:

The nominations committee – Ervin Bielmyer and Jennifer Gagnon – will nominate Carolyn Mulligan for Chairperson and Heather Richards for Vice-Chairperson.

11 – COMMITTEE/LIAISON REPORTS

12 – UNFINISHED BUSINESS

RT paybacks for solar, trends in recent years – Dean Cumbia

Policies related to hardwood forest conversion to managed pine – Rob Farrell

13 – NEW BUSINESS

Assessment of Legacy Fire Towers – Rob Farrell

14 – SCHEDULE OF NEXT MEETINGS

15 – ADJOURNMENT
