

Agenda -- Natural Resources Agency Task Force
July 7, 2008 9:45 am – 3 pm
Department of Marine Resources Lab, Boothbay Harbor

Outcomes of this meeting: Task force members will

- *review initial background information about agencies and identify additional information that may assist the task force*
- *clarify, discuss and begin to group early ideas to improve services and suggest further investigation, best practices (homework # 2)*
- *agree on and commit to outreach strategies to gather ideas and feedback from constituents, agency staff and citizens (homework # 1)*
- *review the hopes and fears of task force members for the work ahead*
- *prepare for July 22 meeting*

9:45 Assemble, Coffee and muffins available

10:00 Overview of Meeting, outcomes, review groundrules
Welcome by DMR Commissioner George Lapointe

10:15 Opening remarks by Co-Chairs Karin Tilberg and Rep. Wendy Pieh

10:25 Commissioners give very brief overviews/agency profiles supported by handouts describing mission, functions and organization

11:30 Summary of results: Homework assignment # 2: *Initial thinking about ways to improve services and redirect money within and among natural resource agencies*
Discussion for clarification and further thinking:
What benefits might these ideas yield?
How do these ideas meet the goals of legislation establishing task force?

12:00 Lunch

12:45 Outreach strategies (see homework assignment # 1)
Task Force members share what they are willing to do to follow up with groups of constituents, agency staff and other citizens to seek input to the task force and/or respond to ideas generated by the task force.

1:45 Presentation by Tim Glidden and SPO on what we have found from other states
What further information would be useful to task force members?

2:10 Next steps
How might we begin working with any “good ideas” that have surfaced so far and will bear further “fact-finding”, discussion of consequences, etc?
What further information do task force members need?

- 2:30 Results of Hopes and Fears Survey and Discussion:
How can we do our work that aspires to our hopes and effectively deals with our fears?
- 2:50 Preview of July 22 meeting and reminder of any “homework” that stems from today’s agenda and discussions
- Quick Evaluation of today’s meeting (What worked well? What could we improve?)
- 3:00 Adjourn