

Forest Conservation Advisory Committee
Minutes
September 17, 2013

ATTENDEES

Members

Mark Buscaino
Andrew Der
Kim Knox
Dan Landry
Caren Madsen
Laura Miller (DEP), ex officio
David Myers
Katherine Nelson, (M-NCPPC), ex officio
David Plummer (MSCD), ex officio
Jeff Schwartz
Doug Sievers (WSSC), ex officio
Dan Snyder

Absent members

Ginny Barnes
Bob Benson
David Kuykendall (DPS), ex officio
Brett Linkletter (DPWT), ex officio
Jason Sheer
Clark Wagner

Others attending

Stan Edwards, DEP Staff
John Pierson
Arvinth Somanathan, DEP Intern

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The Forest Conservation Advisory Committee met as scheduled on September 17, 2013. No items were voted on during the meeting.

Stan Edwards, DEP presented information about the recently passed Tree Canopy Conservation Law and Streets and Roads, Roadside Trees, Protection Law. The presentation is available on the Forest Conservation Advisory Committee website. Following the presentation, questions were discussed by the committee.

The Committee then discussed progress made by agencies towards meeting goals outlined in the Forest Preservation Strategy 2002 and Update 2004. Specifically, the status of websites, economic incentives, the number of acres reforested and/or protected annually, and progress towards identifying areas to preserve and reforest were reported and discussed. Additionally, we reviewed the goals for upland forests, and identified progress on the street trees goals as a topic for the next meeting.

Tentative plans for the next meeting were discussed. Topics will depend on the availability of speakers.