

**COMMISSIONERS' MINUTES  
KITITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON  
COMMISSIONER'S CONFERENCE ROOM  
SPECIAL MEETING**

**WEDNESDAY**

**11:00 A.M.**

**JUNE 12, 2013**

Board members present: Chairman Obie O'Brien & Commissioner Gary Berndt. Excused: Vice-Chairman Paul Jewell.

Others: Mandy Buchholz, Deputy Clerk of the Board; Ken McNamee, Alpine District Manager Southeast Region; Ryan Berge, Road Foreman (L/C); Jim Van De Venter, Maintenance Manager; Chuck Reed, Road Foreman (U/C); Kirk Holmes, Public Works Director/Interim Building Official and one member of the public.

**SPECIAL MEETING                      FIRE SALVAGE HARVEST PRESENTATION                      COMMISSIONERS**

At 11:00 a.m. Chairman O'Brien opened a Special Meeting to receive a presentation regarding Fire Salvage Harvest projects on State land.

Commissioner Berndt introduced Ken McNamee, Alpine District Manager (South East Region).

Mr. McNamee reviewed power point slides that showed the fire salvage harvest from the Table Mountain Fire (September 19, 2012). It provided counts for the lightning strikes on 9/8-9/9/2012 and where the fire starts were. He reviewed a fire progression map that provided the date, growth (acres) and total acres from 9/15-10/3/2012. He stated that the total fire footprint was a total of 42,312 acres and gave comparisons to what that would look like (example: 656,378 tennis courts). He explained the breakdown being that there was 31,584 U.S Forest Service acres impacted, 9,001 acres of DNR land, 1,467 acres of DFW land and 260 acres of private land. He showed slides of untreated and treated stands and explained the difference and how the fire spread impacts those two stands. He reviewed the Table Mountain Fire stats explaining the approximate cost was \$18,000,000, 1,500 Firefighters and the fire line was 61 miles. He reviewed the purchasers of the Table Mountain Fire Salvage Harvest noting that they were from Oregon, Snohomish (2 plants), Randle, Mt. Vernon, Colville and White Swan, and that there were 2,391 loads hauled out of the Naneum Ridge State Forest.

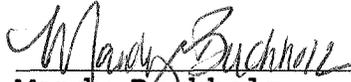
The Board and County staff participated in roundtable questions & answers with Mr. McNamee.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:12 p.m.

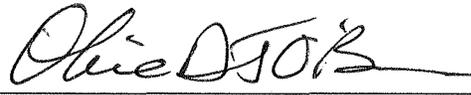
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DEPUTY CLERK OF THE BOARD

  
Mandy Buchholz

KITTITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON

  
Obie O'Brien, Chairman