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## **AGRICULTURE & FORESTRY TWG CALL #4, 11/17/05 8:30 – 10:00 A.M.**

### Attendance:

1. TWG members: Brian Hurd, Kim Kostelnik, Louise Pape, Amy Welch, Patrick McCarthy (new member), and Jim Norwick (new member)
2. NMED staff: Brad Musick
3. CCS staff: Steve Roe, Tom Peterson, Holly Lindquist
4. Other attendees: none.

### Background documents:

(all posted at <http://www.nmclimatechange.us/documents.cfm>, click on Agriculture and Forestry TWG)

1. Agenda: see presentation for Call #4 (Slide #2) below.
2. Presentation for Call #4
3. Draft Call#3 Summary
4. Updated policy matrix
5. CCS Policy Template

### Discussion items and key issues:

1. CCS provided a review of the call summary for Call #3 (see link above) and housekeeping issues.
  - a. CCS investigated whether vegetable farming is included in SGIT, and this source is included.
  - b. CCS reminded members to copy Holly Lindquist ([holly.lindquist@pechan.com](mailto:holly.lindquist@pechan.com)) on all TWG communications as she is taking over the task of handling day-to-day communications, documents, and membership issues.
  - c. CCS is working to finish revisions to the inventory and is looking into data on carbon pools on rangelands.

2. CCS provided a brief review of the October 19, 2005 CCAG meeting. TWGs need to review their policy option lists and identify a short list of options or clusters of options to be analyzed first, among the options currently designated as High priorities.
3. TWG began reviewing the Policy Matrix and discussed assigned priorities for analysis.
4. TWG discussed combining several options into one consolidated option called “Forest Health and Restoration” (see revised matrix).
5. The Policy Template was discussed. For Forestry Options, the important questions for framing the option are:
  - a. What is the number of acres?
  - b. What is the condition of the acreage (carbon density)?
  - c. What is to be done to the acreage (i.e., thinning)?
  - d. What is to be done with the removed biomass?
6. For now, forested lands will be divided into two categories:
  - a. Residential (thinned for fire protection)
  - b. Other lands
7. Kim Kostelnik volunteered to develop an estimate of the number of acres of residential land at risk for forest fire.

Next steps and agreements:

1. During the next call, we will continue to move through the other options, then circle back to the “Forest Health and Restoration” cluster of policies.
2. If members have documents that they would like to share with the group, they should email them to Holly Lindquist and Steve Roe for review and email distribution to the group. Documents that are considered relevant by multiple members will be posted on the website.
3. We will attempt to hold another call before the next CCAG meeting. An email will be sent to the group about possible dates for the next call.

List of Attachments: none needed.