Washington Forest Stewardship Plan

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**Landowner Information**

Name:

Address:

Phone:

Email:

**Property Information**

Acreage:

County:

Legal Description:

Parcel Number:

Street Address or Location Description:

GPS Coordinates (optional):

**Plan Preparer**

Name:

Title:

Affiliation:

Address:

Phone:

Email:

**Assisted By**

Name:

Title:

Affiliation:

Address:

Phone:

Email:

**Plan Preparation Date:**

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# II. Landowner Objectives

## Stewardship Vision Statement (Optional):

## Specific Objectives:

* Bulleted list of items

# III. General Property Description and Overview

*Acreage, location, accessibility, topography, land use history, current conditions, surrounding land use, general features, etc.*

**Property Overview:**

**Introduction to Stands:**

# **IV. Resource Descriptions and Management Practices**

## Resource Category 1: Forest Health/Wildfire/Invasive Species

*Considerations: Insects, diseases, abiotic factors (e.g. weather), animal damage, fire hazard, invasive species, etc.*

### Insects, Diseases, Abiotic/Environmental Stress:

A. Current resource conditions, issues, needs, and opportunities

B. Any management practices which the owner plans to protect, enhance, or restore these resources

### Animal Damage:

A. Current resource conditions, issues, needs, and opportunities

B. Any management practices which the owner plans to protect, enhance, or restore these resources

### Fire Hazard:

A. Current resource conditions, issues, needs, and opportunities

B. Any management practices which the owner plans to protect, enhance, or restore these resources

### Invasive Species:

A. Current resource conditions, issues, needs, and opportunities

B. Any management practices which the owner plans to protect, enhance, or restore these resources

## Resource Category 2: Soils

*Considerations: Soil types, parent materials, horizons, site index, slope stability, erosion, compaction, structure, operability, seedling mortality potential, windthrow hazard, restrictive layer, water table, use restrictions, etc.*

A. Current resource conditions, issues, needs, and opportunities

B. Any management practices which the owner plans to protect, enhance, or restore these resources

## Resource Category 3: Water Quality/Fish Habitat/Wetlands

*Considerations: Stream types, fish or aquatic species use, riparian areas, wetlands, buffers, fish blockages, sedimentation, stream bank stability, domestic water sources, contamination concerns, etc.*

A. Current resource conditions, issues, needs, and opportunities

B. Any management practices which the owner plans to protect, enhance, or restore these resources

## Resource Category 4: Forest Inventory/Timber/Wood Products

*Considerations: Species composition, age, size, quality, trees per acre, understory vegetation, operability, silvicultural alternatives, etc.*

A. Current resource conditions, issues, needs, and opportunities

**Stand 1:**

**Stand 2:**

B. Any management practices which the owner plans to protect, enhance, or restore these resources

**Stand 1:**

**Stand 2:**

## Resource Category 5: Property Access/Roads/Skid Trails

*Considerations: Current and planned roads and skid trails, vehicle access, road maintenance, access restriction (e.g. gates, trespass prevention) and improvement needs, etc.*

A. Current resource conditions, issues, needs, and opportunities

B. Any management practices which the owner plans to protect, enhance, or restore these resources

## Resource Category 6: Wildlife

*Considerations: Common species in the area, specific species observed, key habitat elements (snags, coarse woody debris, understory vegetation, mast-producing vegetation), enhancement opportunities, etc.)*

A. Current resource conditions, issues, needs, and opportunities

B. Any management practices which the owner plans to protect, enhance, or restore these resources

## Resource Category 7: Protection of Special Resources and Biodiversity

*Considerations: State or federal threatened or endangered wildlife or plant species, priority habitats, cultural resources, historical sites, forests of recognized importance (FORI), elements that support biodiversity, sites or features that are important to you as the landowner (e.g. old growth stumps or special places), etc.*

A. Current resource conditions, issues, needs, and opportunities

B. Any management practices which the owner plans to protect, enhance, or restore these resources

## Resource Category 8: Aesthetics and Recreation

*Considerations: Aesthetically important areas, public views, personal recreation, walking trail access, education/outreach opportunities, etc.*

A. Current resource conditions, issues, needs, and opportunities

B. Any management practices which the owner plans to protect, enhance, or restore these resources

## Resource Category 9: Carbon Sequestration & Resilience to Climate/Weather-Related Influences

*Considerations: Weather stress, stand vigor, species diversity, right species for the site, drought tolerance, reforestation, stocking levels, growth rates, land conversion, fire/burning, etc.*

A. Current resource conditions, issues, needs, and opportunities

B. Any management practices which the owner plans to protect, enhance, or restore these resources

## Resource Category 10: Specialized Forest Products (Optional)

*Considerations: Christmas trees, edibles, floral greens, firewood, personal use, marketing, etc.*

A. Current resource conditions, issues, needs, and opportunities

B. Any management practices which the owner plans to protect, enhance, or restore these resources

# V. Conservation Based Estate/Legacy Planning

*Considerations: What do you want to happen to your property after you’re gone? What do you want the legacy to be for you and your property? What have or will you do for succession and estate planning? Who is your local land trust and is a conservation Easement right for you?*

# VI. Additional Information and Resources (Optional)

**VII. Management Plan Implementation Timetable**

*Below are the stewardship management activities that we hope to implement over the next twenty years. Those in bold are the ones which we feel are the most important, and intend to make a priority of accomplishing them.*

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| **Year** | **Management Practice or Activity** | **Location** (Stand) | **Extent**  (#, acres, etc.) | **NRCS Practice Code** | **Comments** |
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# VIII. Aerial Photo(s)/Property Map(s)

Attach copies of aerial photos or maps showing the following: Location of the property within the Section, Property boundaries, Forest stand types, Soil types, Location of water bodies and identification of stream types, Location of roads and trails, Topography (optional).

# IX. Landowner Signature(s)

I/we approve of the contents of this plan and intend to implement the described management activities to best of my/our ability and to manage the property in a manner consistent with applicable regulatory requirements.

Landowner Signature Date

Landowner Signature Date

# X. Approval Signatures

## DNR Forest Stewardship Plan Approval (if applicable)

This plan meets the requirements for a Forest Stewardship Plan.

WA State Department of Natural Resources Authorized Representative Date

Print Name

Title

Address

Phone

E-mail

## USDA-NRCS Conservation Activity Plan Approval (if applicable)

This plan meets the requirements for a USDA-NRCS Conservation Activity Plan.

Signature of USDA-NRCS Authorized Representative Date

Print Name

Title

Address

Phone

E-mail

## Washington Tree Farm Management Plan Approval (if applicable)

This plan meets the requirements for a Tree Farm Management Plan.

Signature of Washington Tree Farm Program Authorized Representative Date

Print Name

Title

Address

Phone

E-mail

## Current Use Timber Management Plan Approval (if applicable)

This plan meets the requirements for a Timber Management Plan for current use property tax programs.

Signature of Authorized County Government Representative Date

Print Name

Title

Address

Phone

E-mail