

EFFECTIVENESS MONITORING COMMITTEE

SUMMARY OF REVIEWED AND RANKED MONITORING PROJECTS

Beginning on February 24th and concluding on June 17th, 2016, the Effectiveness Monitoring Committee (EMC) of the Board of Forestry and Fire Protection (Board) reviewed and subsequently ranked proposed monitoring projects. The proposed monitoring projects are intended to address critical monitoring questions identified in EMC's Strategic Plan. The review and ranking process followed procedures described in Section 2.5 and Appendix F of the EMC's Strategic Plan.

The EMC received a total of four proposed monitoring projects from principal investigators. Two of the proposals contained complete, detailed concept proposals that allowed the EMC to rank the proposals (see below). Project 2015-001, Class II-L monitoring, was reviewed and the EMC made several suggested changes to the proposal which were supported by the principal investigator. However, as of the June 17th meeting, a revised detailed concept proposal was not available for review and subsequent ranking. Project 2015-004, Road Rules effectiveness, was reviewed and the EMC made several suggested changes to the proposal which were supported by the principal investigator. However, as of the June 17th meeting, a revised detailed concept proposal with estimated budget was not available for review and subsequently ranking.

Project Number	Project Title	Critical Question	Scientific Uncertainty (2 times)	Geographic Application	Collaboration & Feasibility	Overall Ranking (Range)
2015-002	FORPRIEM ver. 2.0. (revised WLPZ, watercourse crossing, and road monitoring)	4.6	3.4	5.0	4.4	20.8 (23 to 17)
2016-002	Boggs Mountain Demonstration State Forest Post-Fire Research and Effectiveness Monitoring	4.1	4.3	3.7	4.4	20.8 (24 to 17)

In summary, based on the overall rankings, both projects 2015-002 and 2016-002 have the full support of the EMC. The EMC will continue to support and work with the principal investigators as they develop the final study designs.