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DRAFT AGENDA

Fire Suppression Committee

Bitterroot River Inn, Hamilton

April 28-29, 2008

***Please note: Times are approximate. Some agenda items may take more or less time than is indicated.*

April 28

- 10:00 **Call to Order, roll call, approval of minutes**
- 10:15 **FSC Q & A with Forest Service, BLM, DNRC**
>Tom Tidwell, Regional Forester, USFS Northern Region
>Dave Bull, Forest Supervisor, Bitterroot National Forest
>Rick Hotaling, Butte Field Office Manager, BLM and Phil Gill, Fire Management Officer, BLM
>Bob Harrington, Forestry Division Administrator, DNRC
- 12:00 **Break**
- 12:35 **Bitterroot National Forest perspective**
Dave Bull, Forest Supervisor, Bitterroot National Forest
- 1:00 **Biomass utilization**
Dr. Kristiina Vogt, Professor of Ecosystem Management, College of Forest Resources, University of Washington
- 1:45 **Mitigation in the WUI**
Steve Woodruff, Deputy Director, Western Progress - Northern Region
- 2:15 **Forest Health in the Bitterroot**
Sonny LaSalle, Big Sky Coalition
- 2:45 **Fire History and Ecology of Montana Forests**
Dr. Steve Arno
- 3:30 **Break**
- 3:45 **Public comment**
- 5:30 **Recess**

April 29

9:30 **Call to Order, review day's activities**

10:00 **Load buses for tours**

Tours:

>Hayes Creek fuel reduction projects

>Tin Cup

>Sula Basin

1:30 **Return to Bitterroot River Inn, adjourn**