December 29, 2022

The Honorable Bernard Dean
Chief Clerk of the House
338B Legislative Building
Olympia, WA 98504

The Honorable Sarah Bannister
Secretary of the Senate
312 Legislative Building
Olympia, WA 98504

Dear Chief Clerk Dean and Secretary Bannister:

Please accept the enclosed legislative report on the Small Forest Land Owners (SFLO) Carbon Work Group, submitted by the Department of Natural Resources (DNR), on behalf of the SFLO work group, as directed by the Climate Commitment Act in RCW 70A.65.190. The bill directed DNR to contract with an eligible entity to establish and implement the goals of the work group, which include identifying possible carbon market opportunities including the provision of offset credits and other incentive-based greenhouse gas reduction programs that Washington landowners may be able to access. DNR must submit, on behalf of the workgroup, the report to the legislature by December 31, 2022.

Should you have any questions, please contact me at 360-486-3469 or Brian.Considine@dnr.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

Brian Considine
Legislative Director
Office of the Commissioner of Public Lands

Enclosure: Small Forest Land Owners (SFLO) Carbon Work Group

cc:
Members of the Senate Agriculture, Water, Natural Resources, and Parks Committee
Members of the House Rural Development, Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee
Members of the Senate Environment, Energy, & Technology Committee
Members of the House Environment & Energy Committee
Members of the Senate Ways and Means Committee
Members of the House Appropriations Committee