



NOTE TO PRESENTER: this topic is the slides and notes for the Host to deliver

Introduce yourself.

Welcome participants:

Welcome to the What's New in *FRPA* (2005) Module—a 1 day session covering the changes to the legal requirements under the *Forest and Range Practices Act (FRPA)* arising from:

- Bill 33 amendments to *FRPA*, passed in May 2004;
- *FRPA* regulations in force as of December;
- Bill 3 amendments to *FRPA* passed in February, 2005;
- Regulation amendments expected in February or March 2005; and,
- Other new *FRPA* components brought in since January 2004.

This session will be delivered by policy, legislation and implementation specialists from industry, agencies and the professionals associations. We have assembled a very strong and knowledgeable team of presenters to explain and address your questions on the intent of the recent changes that impact the development and approval of Forest Stewardship Plans.

Introduce presentation team members with affiliation.



What's New in *FRPA* (2005)

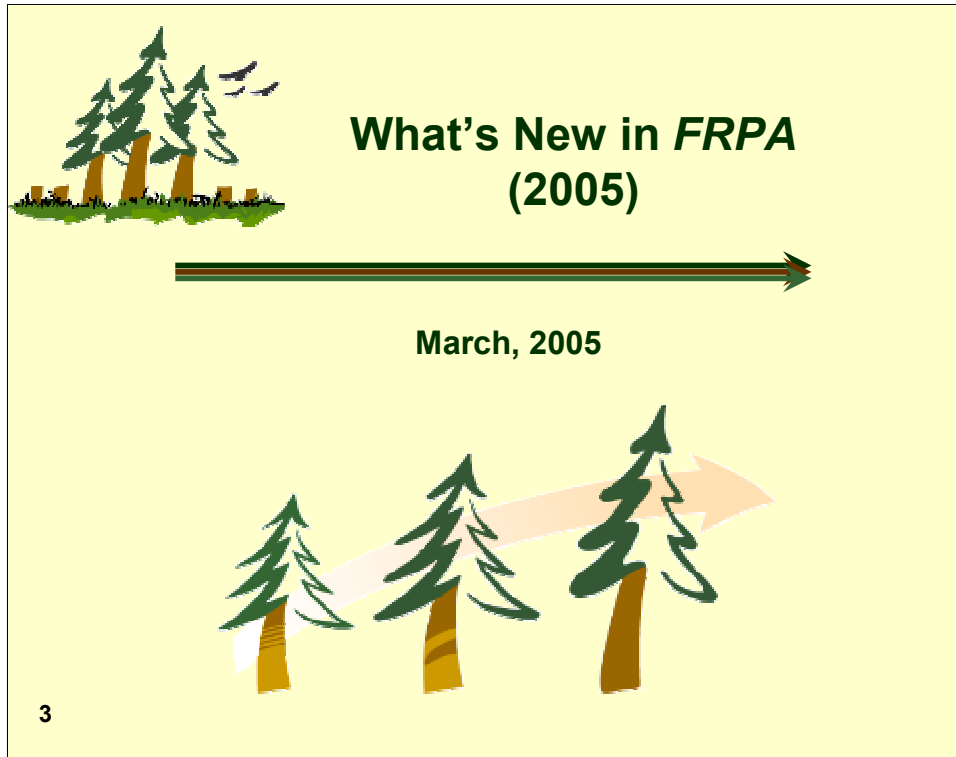
- *FRPA* amended
- Shift to implementation
- Partnership

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Introduce the day's session with the following key points:

- *FRPA* amended
 - Since *FRPA* came into force in January 2004, initial implementation efforts revealed a number of gaps in the regulatory requirements. Over the past year, a team of policy and legislation specialists have worked to revise *FRPA* and the regulations to address these items.
 - As you will hear today, the amended *FRPA* remains consistent with the government's commitment to streamline the Forest Practices Code to establish a workable, results-based code with tough penalties for non-compliance
 - We haven't raised or lower the standards for environmental stewardship—merely addressed some of the administrative inefficiencies of the FPC
- Partnership
 - The development of the legislation and the delivery of this training has been done as a partnership between the various resource agencies, industry and the professional associations
 - Many positive outcomes have resulted from the various organizations working together to develop these products.
- Shift to implementation
 - The process of developing and amending *FRPA* is now done
 - The focus shifts to implementation. There is general agreement with Industry that *FRPA* is now ready to use.
 - Aside from a few minor housekeeping changes, we anticipate a stable policy environment until 2006
 - The charge to everyone in the room is to move forward with *FRPA* implementation in the spirit of *FRPA* partnership. There are many benefits in the *FRPA*—including reduced costs and processes along with increased opportunities for innovation and flexibility. By working together, we can realize these benefits sooner and to a greater extent. I encourage you to embrace this new, more efficient way of doing business and move forward with the new model



Close your introduction by stating:

I encourage everyone in the room to take full advantage of the knowledge and expertise of the presenters. Listen closely to the changes and use the question and answer sessions to clarify your understanding.

Thank the presenters for coming to this location and delivering the training

Introduce the first presenter (Facilitator) and hand the floor over to them to begin the training.

