**MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION**

**INCONSISTENT PRACTICES**

**PUBLIC REPORTNG PROCESS AND FORM**

An Inconsistent Practice is a deviation from the requirements of the current Sustainable Forestry Initiative® Forest Management Standard.

Any individual or group can report and raise the issue of a perceived Inconsistent Practice on Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) lands that are SFI Certified.

The Forest and Woodland Association of Missouri (FWAM) has the responsibility to acknowledge complaints, notify affected parties, encourage follow-up and maintain records.

Complaints may be received through a number of different entities including, the toll-free Inconsistent Practices hotline, the Sustainable Forestry Initiative, Inc., or other resource-based agencies. The complaint and contact information for the registrant is referred to the FWAM Board (excluding the Missouri Department of Conservation representative).

If the MDC receives the report from a complaint registrant, they will forward all information regarding the complaint within 7 business days to the FWAM Board.

The FWAM Board (excluding the MDC representative) will assess the issue and determine if the complaint is frivolous or if it merits investigation. They will make a determination within 25 days and report their decision to the complaint registrant and the MDC – Forest Certification Manager. FWAM will also offer to facilitate communication between the affecting parties, if needed.

If the FWAM Board feels additional information is needed before making a determination of merit, they may request this information from the complaint registrant. Upon receiving the additional information, the FWAM Board will have a new 25-day period to report their decision to the complaint registrant and the MDC – Forest Certification Manager.

MDC is encouraged by the FWAM Board to investigate the allegations, provide the complaint registrant with a written response, and copy the FWAM President (or non-MDC representative on the FWAM Board) and the SFI Certification Body; within 20 days of receiving the allegations from FWAM.

Corrective actions, if any, are the responsibility of the MDC based upon their internal organization policy.

FWAM will maintain records of all complaints and provide an annual report, due in June, to SFI Inc. (with copies to the MDC - Forest Certification Manager) regarding concerns received and responses.

**SFI® Inconsistent Practice Form**

**On SFI® Certified Missouri Department of Conservation Land**

**Please fill out this form completely to give us as much information as possible about the concern you witnessed.**

Contact Information of person making this report. This is necessary for reporting results and resolving the problem.

**Name\***

First  Last Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Address\***

Street Address  City  State  ZIP Code Phone Number \* 

Email Address\* 

**Please check alleged SFI® Objective violation\***

Objective 1. Forest Management Planning

Objective 2. Forest Health and Productivity

Objective 3. Protection of Maintenance of Water Resources

Objective 4. Conservation of Biological Diversity

Objective 5. Management of Visual Quality and Recreational

 Benefits

Objective 6. Protection of Special Sites

Objective 7. Efficient Use of Fiber Resources

Objective 8. Recognize and Respect Indigenous Peoples’ Rights

Objective 9. Climate Smart Forestry

Objective 10. Fire Resilience and Awareness

Objective 11. Legal and Regulatory Compliance

Objective 12. Forestry Research, Science and Technology

 Objective 13. Training and Education

 Objective 14. Community Involvement and Landowner

 Outreach

 Objective 15. Public Land Management Responsibilities

 Objective 16. Communications and Public Reporting

 Objective 17. Management Review and Continual

 Improvement

**LOCATION INFORMATION**

Conservation Area\* 

(one form per Area)

Nearest City\* 

County\* 

Nearest Road 

Stream / Water Body 

Date you noticed the concern\* 

Name and address of logger and/or forest manager (if available)

 

Return completed form to: FWAM 4207 Lindell Blvd St. Louis, MO 63108 or email to fwam.trees@gmail.com

**\*\*\*** *Incomplete forms may cause delay in response times. Be as specific as possible regarding alleged violation. Please make sure to include the specific SFI Objective, Performance Measure and Indicator in violation.* **\*\*\***

**Please provide a detailed description of your concern including the specific SFI Objective, Performance Measure, and Indicator you believe has been violated.** (add additional pages and photographs, if necessary).

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