

## CPPC Meeting Notes 2.23.21

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The REET tax is a real estate tax. There is already a REET 1 in Kittitas County, but this would help fund the conservation/parks and rec side of things. The REET tax is a sliding tax so people buying multimillion dollar homes/estates will pay the lions share and it won't affect people who already live here.

Funding committee working on developing a budget. Carbon credit discussion has been great.

Previous survey is interesting and helpful. Really some GIS data on the ridge - trails, land cover, rec uses, anything that shows different parts of the forest that Savannah can show a value for.

### Review action items

- Funding Group
  - Further discussion on the revenues
    - Two buckets - take a block of time at the next meeting and ways to use a community forest and generate revenue
    - Then dive into what the most realistic revenue streams will be
  - Getting arms around with the preliminary set of numbers to bring back to CPPC
  - Internal controls - mundane but important
- Draft Board
  - Melissa and Gary will continue to meet with local leaders
  - Melissa will send out summary of discussions with group
- Laundry line of what we need to do with benchmarks
  - Is it time to revisit this and then update it. Create a new laundry list based on where we are at.
  - Send out Doodle
  - Commit next meeting in March or April if that doesn't work out

"We need to work together and we need to solve everybody's problems all at once and not just concentrate on ours alone."

David Brown - Assistant Public Works Director, City of Yakima