

**Department of Fish and Wildlife
Elliot State Forest Plan**

The Natural Resources Subcommittee recommends approval, retroactively, of the submission of a \$750,000 federal grant application to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to complete a habitat conservation plan for the Elliot State Forest.

The Department of Fish and Wildlife is applying on behalf of the Department of Forestry, which would complete the conservation plan. The plan would offer a comprehensive integrated management approach to addressing various uses of the forest and would contribute to the conservation of three federally listed species and 22 federal and/or state sensitive species. The total cost to complete the plan is estimated to be \$2,350,000. The remaining \$1.6 million would come from the Common School Fund using monies from the allocation the Department of State Lands already provides to the Department of Forestry to manage the Elliot State Forest. These funds would be used to meet the 25% match requirement. No ODFW funds would be spent on the project.

The Department of Fish and Wildlife has notified the Legislative Fiscal Office that this grant application is no longer being pursued by the Department of State Lands.