

James E. Brown



In 2004, Jim Brown formed Jim Brown Consulting, LLC. The company specializes in forest policy and organizational management. Before forming this company, Jim served as Governor Kulongoski's Natural Resource Policy Director from January 2003 until he retired in September, 2004. In this role, Jim supervised a small staff that advised the Governor on natural resource issues that affected the state's environmental, social, and economic well-being. He also provided leadership to 14 natural resource agencies by chairing the Governor's Natural Resources Cabinet. Prior to this appointment, he served as Oregon State Forester for 16 ½ years. In this position he represented the Board of Forestry in carrying out its policies affecting private, state, and federal forests in the state, and served as administrator for the Oregon Department of Forestry (ODF).

Brown held a number of positions during his 36-year career with ODF. He was first employed as a forester trainee at Coos Bay in 1960. Starting in 1965, he worked full time for 1 ½ years as reforestation forester at Coos Bay. He left the department to work as a research forester for the Canadian Department of Fisheries and Forestry at Petawawa.

Three years later, Brown returned to ODF as timber management forester at Veneta for one year, and reforestation forester at Astoria for another year. He was promoted to resource analyst in Salem for 1 ½ years before becoming Service Forestry Program Director, a position he held for six years.

In early 1980, Brown was appointed Forest Practices Program Director at Salem and served in that position for three years.

In January 1983, he transferred to Forest Grove to become Northwest Oregon Area Director. The next January he was promoted to Assistant State Forester in charge of the Forest Management Division at Salem. In 1985 he was promoted again to Associate State Forester, a position he held until his appointment as State Forester.

Brown served as secretary to the Board of Forestry, is a fellow in the Society of American Foresters and was active in the National Association of State Foresters (NASF), having served as western representative, treasurer, vice president and president. He has served on many other boards and commissions as well, and is currently a member of the National Commission on Science for Sustainable Forestry and serves on the World Forestry Center Board. He has continued to remain active in Oregon's natural resources issues, as well, serving as a member of the Oregon Parks and Recreation Commission and as chair of the Tillamook Forest Trust.

Brown has been active in the Boy Scouts of America, having served as scoutmaster, and as a member of the Cascade Area Council executive committee and the Cascade Pacific Council advisory board.

Brown graduated from the University of Washington in 1962 with a Bachelor of Science in forest management. He received a Master's degree in forestry from Yale University in 1963.

Brown and his wife, Mona, have two children and live in Salem.

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James E. (Jim) Brown Credits

Professional

National Association of State Foresters
1987 - 1988 Western Representative
1990 - 1991 Treasurer
1991 - 1992 Vice President
1992 - 1993 President
1986 - 2003 Member of Various Committees
Fire Committee
Resource Management Committee
Emerging Issues Committee
Legislative Committee
1987 - 1989 Chair, Strategic Planning Committee
1994 Chair, 1995 RPA Review Committee
1995 - 2001 Chair, Federal Lands Committee
2001 - 2003 Chair, Sustainable Forestry Implementation Committee
1997 Delegate to World Forestry Congress in Antalya, Turkey
1962 - Present Member of the Society of American Foresters, elected fellow in 1988
1988 & 1991 Member of the USDA Committee of State Foresters
1986 - 2001 Member of the Keep Oregon Green Board of Directors
1986 - 2003 Member of the Oregon State University Forest Research Laboratory
Advisory Committee
1991 - 1993 Member of the National Commission on Wildfire Disasters
2000 - 2006 Foundation for Voluntary Land Exchanges Board of Directors
2001- Present Member of the World Forestry Center Board
2001 - Present Member of the National Commission on Science for Sustainable
Forestry

Awards

2001 Western Forestry and Conservation Association Lifetime
Achievement Award
2003 University of Washington, College of Forest Resources
Distinguished Service Award
2003 Council of Western State Foresters Distinguished Service Award
2003 USDA Forest Service Recognition for Leadership in Sustainable
Forest Management
2003 Douglas Timber Operators High Climbers Award
2003 National Association of State Foresters Recognition Award
2003 College of Forestry Forest Research Advisory Committee
Appreciation Award
2004 Oregon Forest Industries Appreciation Award

Community

1979 - 1985 Scoutmaster, Boy Scouts of America
1987 - 1992 Executive Committee Member, Cascade Area Council, BSA
1992 - 1999 Advisory Board Member, Cascade Pacific Council, BSA
2005 - Present Oregon Parks & Recreation Commission
2008 - Present Chair, Tillamook Forest Heritage Trust