



SIUSLAW NATIONAL FOREST PROJECT UPDATE

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SNOWY PLOVER PREDATOR PLAN COMPLETED

Federal land and wildlife agencies have approved a plan to help protect Oregon's western snowy plovers through a predator management program beginning this spring. The decision follows public review and comment on an analysis of the effects of the proposed predator control methods, and alternatives, to protect the western snowy plover in Oregon. The Pacific Coast population of the plover is listed as threatened by both the federal and state governments. A copy of the decision document may be viewed through the Internet at the website for the Siuslaw National Forest: <http://www.fs.fed.us/r6/siuslaw>.



The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Bureau of Land Management (Coos Bay District), the Siuslaw National Forest (U.S. Forest Service), and Wildlife Services (Department of Agriculture, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service) will implement the predator damage management plan beginning early March 2002. The objective of the predator management program is to assist recovery of the plover by improving plover nesting and fledging success while recreation and habitat management efforts continue.

MONITORING REPORT COMPLETE AND AVAILABLE FOR REVIEW

The Siuslaw National Forest has completed its Monitoring Report for 1997 through 2000. This report provides information to interested parties concerning how well the Siuslaw's Land and Natural Resource Management Plan (Forest Plan) is being implemented and if Forest Plan objectives are being met. Monitoring is intended to keep the Forest Plan responsive to change and new information, and is critical to adaptive management.

The report includes an assessment of how well the Forest is complying with standards and guidelines, and for some resources, how effective the management activities are at meeting Forest Plan objectives. The Monitoring Report is available for review at the Supervisor's Office in Corvallis and district offices in Hebo, Waldport, Florence and Reedsport. The report is also available on the World Wide Web at <http://www.fs.fed.us/r6/siuslaw>.

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We look forward to hearing from you.

FISH & WILDLIFE

Mapleton School Native Plant Nursery

Private Lands- Wyden Funding

Partnership with schools to gather and cultivate non-conifer, native species for us in riparian planting.

Scoping: NA

Decision: Completed 6/2001

Implementation: Ongoing

Contact: Karen Bennett, 541-750-7101

Riparian Restoration Siuslaw Basin Project

Private Lands- Wyden Funding

Plant native shrubs in riparian area, release seedlings from competing vegetation, install fencing around seedlings to control beaver damage, install tubing around seedlings to prevent animal damage.

Scoping: NA

Decision: 6/2001

Implementation: Completed

Contact: Karen Bennett, 541- 750-7101

Siuslaw Law Enforcement Project

Private Lands- Wyden Funding

Fund part-time position to prevent poaching of Coho and Chinook salmon from low water areas in the watershed.

Scoping: NA

Decision: 6/2001

Implementation: Ongoing

Contact: Karen Bennett, 541-750-7101

Siuslaw River Gauge

Private Lands- Wyden Funding

Partnership with USGS and Port of Siuslaw to maintain recently installed river gauge.

Scoping: NA

Decision: 6/2001

Implementation: Ongoing

Contact: Johan Hogervorst, 541-902-6956

Lake Creek, Siuslaw Watershed Water Quality Assessment Project

Private Lands- Wyden Funding

Determine lead levels in Lower Lake Creek through testing of fish tissue and sediment samples.

Scoping: NA

Decision: 6/2001

Implementation: Ongoing

Contact: Karen Bennett, 541-750-7101

West Creek Restoration

Private Lands-Wyden Funding

T3S, R9W, S30

Fencing, off-stream watering and riparian planting in the West Creek subwatershed.

Scoping: Completed

Decision: 8/1999

Implementation: Ongoing

Contact: Karen Bennett, 541-750-7101

Karnowski Creek Restoration

Mapleton Ranger District

T18S, R11W, S22, 23

This is a partnership with Siuslaw SWCD, Siuslaw Watershed Council, OWEB, and National Forest Foundation. Final design, contract preparation, and implementation of an integrated valley bottom restoration project.

Scoping: Completed

Decision: Winter 2002

Implementation: Summer 2002

Contact: Johan Hogervorst, 541-902-6956

Upper Bailey Creek Watershed Restoration

Mapleton Ranger District

T17S, R11W, S18, 19

Remove or modify 5 culverts and remove 4 old log-culvert/fills in Upper Bailey Creek to aid fish passage and reduce sediment.

Scoping Ongoing

Decision: 6/04/2001

Implementation: Summer 2001-2002

Contact: Johan Hogervorst, 541-902-6956

Enchanted Valley Stream Restoration

Mapleton Ranger District

T17S, R11W, S18, 19, 30

Improve fish habitat in Enchanted Valley portion of Bailey Creek. Add trail bridge over new stream channel.

Scoping: Completed

Decision: 5/12/1998

Implementation: Ongoing

Contact: Johan Hogervorst, 541-902-6956

FISH & WILDLIFE

Upper Deadwood Fish Enhancement

Mapleton Ranger District

T16S, R8-9W

Install large wood to improve stream function using a helicopter. Place 300 large conifer logs in streams on National Forest and private lands in cooperation with the Siuslaw Watershed Council and Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife.

Scoping: Completed

Decision: 11/2001

Implementation: Fall 2002

Contact: Paul Burns, 541-902-6953

Baker Beach Dunes Restoration Project

Mapleton Ranger District

T17S, R12W, S10, 15, 21, 22, 27, 28, 33

The Mapleton Ranger District proposes to control European beach grass and lower the height of the foredune along Baker Beach. An integrated vegetation management plan will be used to control the beach grass. The purpose of the project is to restore the natural movement of sand between Baker and Sutton beach areas, thus increasing the amount of suitable habitat for the western snowy plover as well as native plants such as pink sand verbena. About 140 acres will be treated.

Scoping: Completed

Decision: 11/2001

Implementation: 2002

Contact: Bruce Buckley, 541-563-3211, or Dan Segotta, 541-902-6980

Nelson Meadows

Mapleton Ranger District

T17S, R12W, S14

Commercially harvest three 6-10 acres blocks of Matrix land and convert to early seral habitat.

Scoping: Completed

Decision: 7/21/2000

Implementation: Ongoing

Contact: Doug Middlebrook, 541-902-6978, or Dan Karnes, 541-902-6950

Lagoon Restoration

Oregon Dunes NRA

T19S, R12W, S33

Develop invasive weed control plan for lagoon and nearby lakes and ponds.

Scoping: Ongoing

Decision: Not yet determined

Implementation: Not yet determined

Contact: Mike Northrop, 541-902-6960

South Jetty Noxious Weed Control

Oregon Dunes NRA

South Jetty Area of NRA

Develop noxious weed treatment plan including all options.

Scoping Ongoing

Decision: Summer 2002

Implementation: Summer 2002

Contact: Dan Segotta, 541-902-6980

Snowy Plover Predator Damage management

Oregon Dunes NRA

Snowy Plover habitat areas near beaches. Enhance survival and production of Snowy Plovers by controlling predators (other birds, cats, fox, weasel/mink, opossum, raccoon, rodents) by a variety of lethal and nonlethal methods.

Scoping: Completed

Decision: 1/24/2001

Implementation: Summer 2002

Contact: Carl Frounfelker, 541-750-7054

Big Blue - Snag Creation

Waldport Ranger District

T16S, T17S, R11W, R12W

Approximately 3,000 snags will be created within managed stands that were commercially thinned via the Blue Bird and Whirly Bird thinning sales. Tree topping and/or inoculation methods will be used.

Scoping: Completed

Decision: Big Blue Project EA, 1996

Implementation: Ongoing

Contact: Eric Stolsig, 541-902-6979

Miscellaneous Small Projects

Siuslaw National Forest

Forest-wide

A five-year program of small projects including meadow maintenance, noxious weed control, riparian tree planting and fire hazard reduction in urban interface areas.

Scoping: Ongoing

Decision: Spring 2002

Implementation: Summer 2002

Contact: Dan Segotta, 541-902-6980

FORESTRY

Precommercial Thinning

Hebo Ranger District

District-wide

Maintain growth and vigor by precommercial thinning of 5 to 15 year-old plantations.

Scoping: Completed

Decision: Spring 2002

Implementation: 2002-2003

Contact: John Johansen, 503-392-3161

Bearcat Commercial Thin

Hebo Ranger District

T3S, R9W

Development of late-successional stand characteristics by commercial thinning about 400 acres in 35 to 60 year-old stands within LSR and AMA lands.

Scoping: Completed

Decision: 8/2001

Implementation: 2002

Contact: Brent Erskine, 503-392-3161

Stocking Control

Waldport and Mapleton Ranger Districts

District-wide

Maintain growth and vigor by precommercial thinning of 5 to 9 year-old plantations.

Scoping: Completed

Decision: Completed

Implementation: Ongoing

Contact: Leonard Larson, 541-902-6951, or Eric Stolsig, 541-902-6979

Conifer Release

Waldport and Mapleton Ranger Districts

District-wide

Release of selected seedlings from brush and hardwoods affecting 275 acres.

Scoping: Completed

Decision: Completed

Implementation: Spring/Summer 2002

Contact: Leonard Larson, 541-902-6951, or Eric Stolsig, 541-902-6979

Eichler Thin - Commercial Thinning

Mapleton Ranger District

N. Fork Siuslaw Watershed, T17S, R10W

Reduce stocking levels of stands 30-50 years of age by thinning to promote late-successional forest characteristics.

Scoping: Completed

Decision: 7/30/1999

Implementation: 2002

Contact: Dan Karnes, 541-902-6950

Drift Home Project: Commercial Thinning

Waldport Ranger District

Drift Creek and Big Elk Watersheds
T12, 13S; R9, 10W

Reduce stocking levels of stands 25-35 years of age to maintain stand health and to promote late-successional forest characteristics of LSR #R0268

Scoping: Completed

Decision: 12/31/1997

Implementation: Ongoing

Contact: Lloyd Palmer, 541-563-3211

LAND EXCHANGE

Lamm Small Tracts Act

Mapleton Ranger District

T17S; R10W; Sec 23

Involves well house on USFS land.

Scoping: Ongoing

Decision: 2002

Implementation: 2002

Contact: Mike Schwartz, 541-750-7175

Millard Small Tracts Act (STA)

Waldport Ranger District

T14S; R12W; S11

Action results from relocation of forest road 1046-000. STA to exchange abandoned road Right-of Way for easement over new location.

Scoping: Completed

Decision: Completed

Implementation: Spring 2002

Contact: Dave Braley, 541-750-7171, or Mike Schwartz, 541-750-7175

ROADS

Flood Damage Road Repairs

Forest-wide

Winter storms in February 1996 through winter 2000 damaged roads on the Siuslaw National Forest. Work includes culvert replacement, slope stabilization, debris removal, and geotechnically constructed fills.

Scoping: Ongoing

Decision: Ongoing

Implementation: Ongoing

Contact: Marci Truhn, 541-465-6696

ROADS

North Fork Siuslaw Road Relocation

Mapleton Ranger District

T11S, R10W, Sec 5
Realign 1500 feet of North Fork Siuslaw Road away from the river.

Scoping: Completed

Decision: Completed

Implementation: Ongoing

Contact: Paul Burns, 541-902-6953

Gibson Road Decommission/ Culvert replacement

Mapleton Ranger District

T16S, R9W, S30
Removal of 4 log culverts and fill, decompaction of road bed, closure of 1 mile of road, and replacement of 2 culverts blocking fish passage on road 3278

Scoping: Completed

Decision: Completed

Implementation: Summer 2002

Contact: Johan Hogervorst, 541-902-6956

Green Creek Road Decommissioning

Mapleton Ranger District

T16S, R9W, Sec 32; T17S, R9W, Sec 4-5
Culvert sidecast, and fill removal, waterbarring, and road closure of 8.9 miles of road (Upper Green Cr. and Gibson Cr).

Scoping: Completed

Decision: Completed

Implementation: Summer 2002

Contact: Johan Hogervorst, 541-902-6956

Big Blue Project-Road Decommissioning

Waldport Ranger District

T16S, R11W, S29,30,31,32,33; T16S, R12W, S35,36
Waterbarring, fill removal and road closure on Road 1059-654 and a section of Road 1059

Scoping: Completed

Decision: 5/10/1996

Implementation: Ongoing

Contact: Hollis Lundeen, 541-563-3211

Drift Home Project: Road Stabilization and Closure

Waldport Ranger District

Drift Creek and Big Elk Watershed T12,13S; R9,10W
Provide drainage control, remove fill and culverts from designated stream crossings, remove unstable sidecast material and close roads. These activities are expected to impact 30 miles of roads within the Drift Creek watershed and 10 miles of roads within the Mill, Homestead and Lower Big Elk subbasins of the Big Elk Watershed.

Scoping: Completed

Decision: 12/31/1997

Implementation: Ongoing

Contact: Ken McCall, 5410750-7141

RECREATION

Sand Lake Forest Lab

Hebo Ranger District

T13S, R10W, S17
Develop an environmental education trail on an isolated 11-acre National Forest parcel. Intent is to provide a short fully-accessible trail for all ages of students.

Scoping: Ongoing

Decision: Undetermined

Implementation: Undetermined

Contact: Carol Johnson, 503-392-3161

Hebo Horse Camp

Hebo Ranger District

T4S, R9W, S15, 22
Construct two camps that connect to existing trail system

Scoping: Completed

Decision: Undetermined

Implementation: Undetermined

Contact: Brent Erskine, 503-392-3161

Drift Creek Loop Trail

Hebo Ranger District

T7S, R9W
The district is considering the development of a loop for the Drift Creek trail

Scoping: Completed

Decision: Spring 2002

Implementation: Summer 2002

Contact: Brent Erskine, 503-392-3161

North Fork Smith River Trail

Mapleton Ranger District

T19S, R9W, S19, 30
Place two foot bridges across North Fork Smith River.

Scoping: Completed

Decision: Completed

Implementation: Ongoing

Contact: Margie Pace, 541-271-6072

RECREATION

Overlook Trail Reconstruction *South Zone, Oregon Dunes NRA*

T20S, R12W, S17
Reconstruct Oregon Dunes Overlook trail including improving winter access.

Scoping: Completed
Decision: Spring 2002
Implementation: Summer 2002
Contact: Margie Pace, 541-271-6072

Siltcoos Showers *South Zone, Oregon Dunes NRA*

T20S, R12W, S4; T19S, R12W, S32
Construct additional water reservoir tank, campground showers and sand filter

Scoping: Completed
Decision: Completed
Implementation: Fall/Winter 2002
Contact: Wayne Gale, 541-271-6080

South Jetty/Horsfall Entrance Stations *South Zone, Oregon Dunes NRA*

South Jetty and Horsfall roads.
Construct entrance stations. Includes construction of septic systems for a toilet in each building.

Scoping: Completed
Decision: Spring 2002
Implementation: Undetermined
Contact: Tom Johnson, 541-272-6070

Campground Accessibility *South Zone, Oregon Dunes NRA*

Various locations
Improve accessibility at developed recreation sites. Construct accessible viewing deck at Horsfall Campground

Scoping: Completed
Decision: Completed
Implementation Ongoing
Contact: Wayne Gale, 541-271-6080

Trails Reconstruction *South Zone, Oregon Dunes NRA*

T19S, R12W, S33; T20S, R12W, S8, 17
Reconstruct Lagoon boardwalk to improve universal accessibility and winter access.

Scoping Completed
Decision: Completed
Implementation: Ongoing
Contact: Margie Pace, 541-271-6072

Bluebill Trail Reconstruction *South Zone, Oregon Dunes NRA*

T24S, R13W, S32, 33
Reconstruct and partially relocate Bluebill Trail, including structures.

Scoping: Completed
Decision: 3/2000
Implementation: 2003
Contact: Margie Pace, 541-271-6072

Hall-Schuttpelez Lake *South Zone, Oregon Dunes NRA*

T23S, R13W, S1
Develop trailhead and day-use site; reconstruct trails.

Scoping: Completed
Decision: Completed
Implementation: Ongoing
Contact: Margie Pace, 541-271-6072

Drift Creek Wilderness Trail Reconstruction *Waldport Ranger District*

T13S, R10W, S4,7,8,17,18
Reconstruct several miles of trail within the Drift Cr. Wilderness where drainage problems exist or the trails are in poor condition due to steep side slopes.

Scoping Completed
Decision: Completed
Implementation: Ongoing
Contact: Margie Pace, 541-271-6072

Devil's Churn Phase II *South Zone, Cape Perpetua Scenic Area*

T15S, R12W, S3
Construction of concession and information station, and new restrooms. Includes accessible trail from upper to lower parking lots

Scoping Completed
Decision: Undetermined
Implementation: Fall 2002/Winter 2003
Contact: Wayne Gale, 5410271-6080

Outfitter Guide Permit Re-issuance *South Zone, Oregon Dunes NRA*

Various locations on NRA
Reissue six outfitter/guide permits for motorized tours of the Oregon Dunes NRA.

Scoping: Complete
Decision: Spring 2002
Implementation: Winter/Spring 2002
Contact: Gina Owens, 541-602-6377

Whispering Spruce Trail Reconstruction *South Zone, Cape Perpetua Scenic Area*

T15S, R12W, S3
Reconstruct trail for accessibility to the West Shelter

Scoping: Completed
Decision: Undetermined
Implementation: Fiscal year 2004
Contact: margie Pace, 541-271-6072



SPECIAL USE PERMITS

Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) Access SUP

Forest-wide

BPA will be granted road access and use permits to support bpa towers and transmission lines.

Scoping: Ongoing

Decision: Undetermined

Implementation: Undetermined

Contact: Mauricio Ribera, 541-750-7140

Rosboro Road Construction and Haul Permit

Mapleton Ranger District

T18S, R11W, S29,32

Construct 1615 feet of temporary spur road from Forest road 2400-880 to Rosboro lands. Haul timber across newly constructed road and 4.1 miles of Forest roads 2400 and 2400-888

Scoping Completed

Decision: Completed

Implementation: Spring 2002

Contact: Linda Montanez, 541-563-3211

Miscellaneous Special Use permits

Forest-wide

Water systems, road, transmission lines, road easements, minerals, commercial haul, tailholds, concessions and recreation events

Scoping: Ongoing

Decision: Ongoing

Implementation: Linda Montanez, 541-563-3211, or Nancy Croft, 503-392-3161

Consumer Power, Inc.

Waldport Ranger District

T12S, R7W, S20, 28, 29; T13S, R7W, S2, 10, 11; T14S, R9W, S7, 17, 18; T15S, R9W, S14, 23

Special use permit would authorize Consumers Power to reconstruct three multi-grounded power lines and construct one new multi-grounded power line across portions of Siuslaw National Forest.

Scoping: Completed

Decision: 2002

Implementation: 2002

Contact: Paul Thomas, 541-563-3211

MULTI-PROJECTS

Gauldy Project Thin

Hebo Ranger District

T4,5S, R9,10W

Develop late-successional stand characteristics by commercially thinning 1,000 acres in stands 35 to 70 years of age within LSR and AMA lands, add stream structure, and decommission, stabilize, or close specific roads.

Scoping: Spring 2002

Decision: Fall 2002

Implementation: Fall 2003

Contact: Brent Erskine, 503-392-3161

MULTI-PROJECTS

Maple and Fiddle Creeks Outreach Project

Private Lands- Wyden Funding

Fund part-time position as coordinator between agency specialists and land-owners in designing conservation plans for farms.

Scoping: NA

Decision: 6/2002

Implementation: Ongoing

Contact: Karen Bennet, 541-750-7101

Peach/Fiddle Commercial Thinning and Related Projects

Mapleton Ranger District

T20S, R10-11W

Thin and harvest 1343 acres of 25-50 year-old tree plantations, place about 150 stream structures, decommission or stabilize and close about 35 miles of existing roads, plant trees, create snags, treat noxious weeds, create 12 acres of meadow, and establish a long-term road waste disposal site.

Scoping: Completed

Decision: Peach 11/16/2001,

Fiddle 7/20/1999

Implementation: 2002

Contact: Dan Karnes, 541-902-6950

MULTI-PROJECTS

Green Thinning

Mapleton Ranger District

T16S, R9W

Reduce stocking levels of stands 25 to 35 years of age on approximately 942 acres by thinning to promote late-successional forest characteristics in LSR and high timber yields on matrix lands, place approximately 294 stream complexity structures, decommission 0.5 miles of road, noncommercially thin 72 acres, underplant 92 acres, create 73 openings up to 1 acres in size within *Phellinus* infection areas, and create 5 acres of early seral habitat.

Scoping: Completed

Decision: 1/10/2002

Implementation: 2002

Contact: Dan Karnes, 541-902-6950

Deadwood Landscape Thinning and Restoration Projects

Mapleton Ranger District

Deadwood Watershed

T15, 16, 17S, R8, 9, 10W

Reduce stocking levels of stands 25 to 35 years of on approximately 1,182 acres by thinning to promote late-successional forest characteristics in LSR and high timber yield on matrix lands, ass stream structure to 16 stream segments, create about 180 wildlife snags, fell 10 to 20 trees per acre for course woody debris and implement a Pacific Northwest Research Station Study on *Phellinus weirii* root rot.

Scoping: Completed

Decision: 5/2/1998

Implementation: Deadwood sold 5/5/1999, Deer Thin completed, Dan's Alder completed, and Taylor Thin is pending

Contact: Dan Karnes, 541-902-6950

Lower Siuslaw Landscape Management Project

Mapleton Ranger District

T17S, R9-11W, T18S, R9-11W, T19S, R9-11W

Lower Siuslaw Watershed Plantation Thinning - 3700 acres of commercial thinning and 3900 acres of precommercial thinning. Thinning includes opening and re-closing 1 mile of classified roads and 19 miles of unclassified roads, and construction of 1 mile of new temporary road.

Road Management - Close 63 miles of road and decommission 17 miles. Road 2127 would be maintained for high clearance vehicles as an alternate route when county road 5110 (Thompson Creek Road) fails at a future date.

Where road closures affect access to private land, private access will be maintained.

Stream Enhancement - Place about 725 trees and root wads along 23.5 miles of streams to add complexity to streams and increase spawning habitat, restore 2 miles of Karnoowski Creek by reconnecting the stream to its historic channel and floodplain. Plant about 800 acres of streamside meadows and alder stands with conifers and hardwoods

Scoping: Completed

Decision: Spring 2002

Implementation: 2002

Contact: Bruce Buckley, 541-563-3211

Five Rivers Landscape Management Project EIS

Waldport Ranger District

T15S, R10-11W

Thin and harvest about 3230 acres of 25-35 year-old managed stands, decommission about 49 miles of road, stabilize and close 77 miles of road, build and maintain a road to access private property, create and maintain 40 acres of meadows, add structures to 18 miles of stream, precommercially thin about 2366 acres, plant trees, create snags and down wood, and treat noxious weeds.

Scoping: Completed

Decision: 2002

Implementation: Begin 2002

Contact: Paul Thomas or Bruce Buckley, 541-563-3211

Yachats Landscape Management Project

Waldport Ranger District

T14S, R10, 11, 12W; T15S, R 10, 11, 12W

Yachats Watershed

Plantation Thinning: Commercial and precommercial thinning to maintain stand health and growth and enhance diversity. Thinning includes opening and re-closing classified and unclassified roads and building new temporary roads that will be waterbarred and closed after use.

Road Management: Close and decommission some roads. Where road closures affect access to private land, private access will be maintained.

Stream Enhancement: Place trees and root wads in some streams to increase stream complexity and spawning habitat. Plant conifer trees in some riparian areas.

Scoping: Ongoing

Decision: 2002

Implementation: 2004

Contact: Bruce Buckley, 541-563-3211

WATERSHED ANALYSIS

Twenty-one watershed analyses have been completed (about 90% of the Forest) including Nestucca Complex, North Fork of Siuslaw, Cummins/Tenmile (coastal stream watersheds between Cape Perpetua and Heceta Head), Yaquina/Big Elk, Mercer/Berry, Oregon Dunes NRA, Indian/Deadwood, Drift Creek-Siletz, Lobster/Five Rivers, Drift Creek (Alsea), Smith River, Yachats, Little Nestucca, Lower Siuslaw, Lower Umpqua, Sand Lake, Salmon Neskowin, Coastal Lakes, Beaver Creek, Lake Creek, and Lower Alsea. The analyses provide a better understanding of the aquatic and terrestrial environments within the watershed and reveal some management implications for meeting objectives of the Northwest Forest Plan.

The following watershed analyses are being completed or conducted.

Beaver

Waldport Ranger District

May be seen on the Siuslaw National Forest
website: <http://fs.fed.us/r6/siuslaw>

Status: Completed

Contact: Doris Tai, 541-563-3211

Lower Siletz Watershed Analysis

Hebo Ranger District

Modify existing analysis done by the Mid-Coast Watershed Council to highlight road, stream, riparian, and vegetative conditions on National Forest lands.

Status: Start 01/2002

Contact: Wayne Patterson, 503-392-3161

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SIUSSLAW NATIONAL FOREST PROJECT UPDATE

This is the quarterly edition of Project Update notifying you of Siuslaw National Forest proposed actions for which there is an opportunity for your involvement. The list contains proposed actions and actions for which the analysis process is already underway. This update is provided to give you an overview of proposed actions on the Siuslaw National Forest in the event you would like to comment. Detailed descriptions of proposed actions can be obtained by notifying the “contact person” associated with the given project. In some cases, mailing lists have already been established for an action or category of actions. If you are already on a mailing list, you will be notified of scoping periods for those proposed actions. If you would like to be on a mailing list, notify the contact person by mail or phone.

Comments received in response to this solicitation, including names and addresses of those who comment, will be considered part of the public record for proposed projects and will be available for public inspection. Comments submitted anonymously will be accepted and considered; however, those who only submit anonymous comments will not have standing to appeal the subsequent decision under 36 CFR Part 215. Additionally, pursuant to 7 CFR 1.27(d), any person may request the agency to withhold a submission from the public record by showing how the freedom of Information Act (FOIA) permits such confidentiality. Persons requesting such confidentiality should be aware that, under FOIA, confidentiality may be granted in only very limited circumstances, such as to protect trade secrets.

Proposed actions are grouped by category (Recreation, Special Use permits, Forestry, Fish and Wildlife, Land Exchanges, Watershed Analyses, Roads, Plan Amendments and Multi-Projects), and within each category in alphabetical order by Ranger District. The information provided for each action includes name, Ranger District, legal description of location, a brief description of the proposed action, and three dates: scoping, decision, and implementation. These projected or actual dates will be updated in subsequent quarterly reports.

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