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This “Summer 2002” edition of the Forest Focus, the Willamette National Forest’s Schedule of Proposed Activities (SOPA), will update you, the owners and stakeholders of this forest, on our planning efforts for future projects. Our planning focuses on activities that protect, conserve, restore, and enhance the valuable and valued resources of this forest.

The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) guides us in making informed decisions regarding the environment. Through NEPA, we complete environmental analyses so that the public and responsible official for each project are aware of the effects on the social and natural environment. The objective of NEPA is to make better decisions and document those decisions. The process is dynamic and flexible.

Through this quarterly publication, we invite your participation in the important work that goes on across the Willamette. By sharing your interest and your ideas, you become an important contributor to our mission of “Caring for the Land and Serving People.”

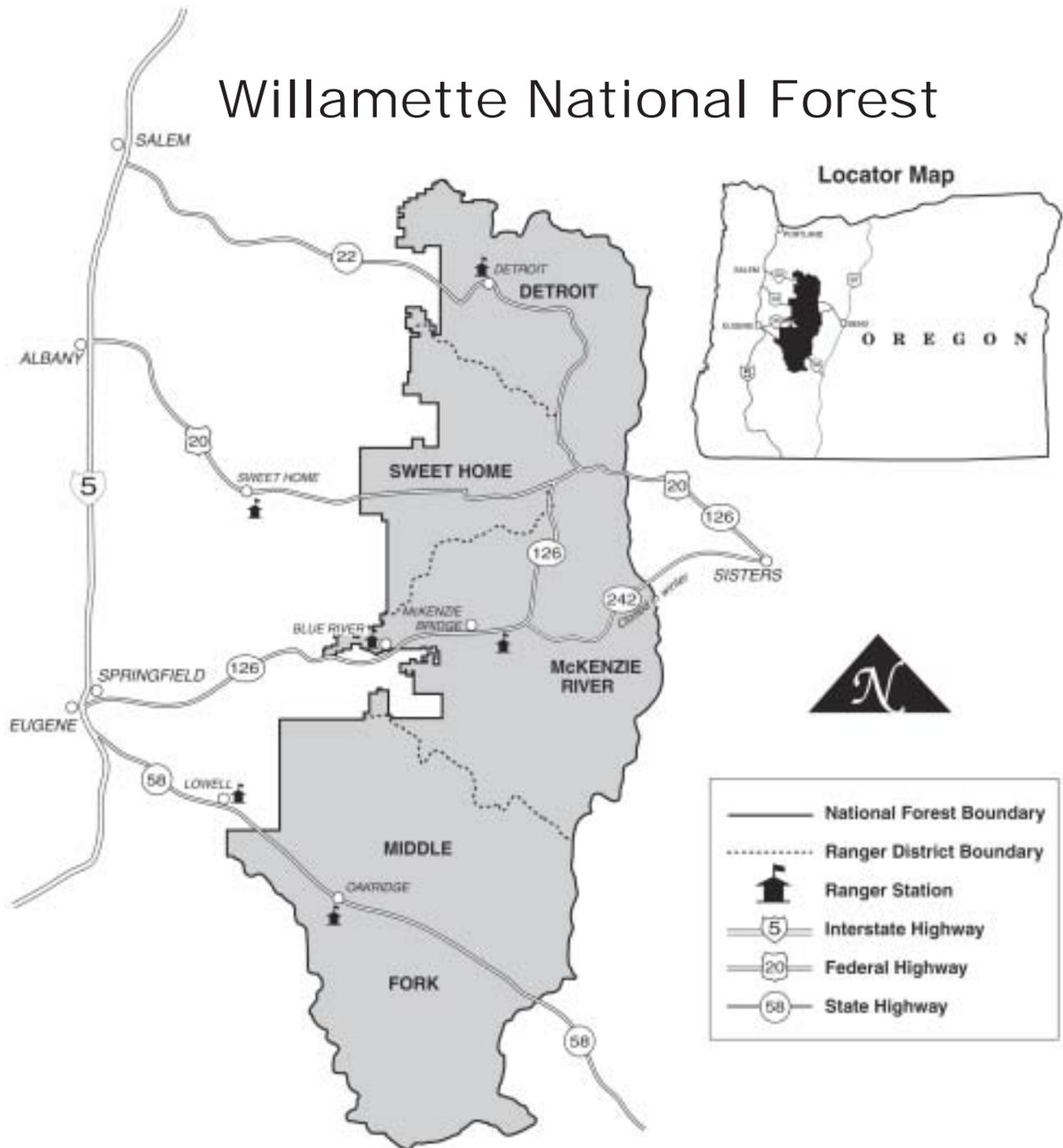
If you have questions about this publication or wish to be added to our mailing list, please contact Neal Forrester at 541-225-6436. The Forest Focus can be found on our website at www.fs.fed.us/r6/willamette.

On behalf of the Forest Leadership Team and the dedicated employees of the Willamette National Forest,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Y. Robert Iwamoto".

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FOREST-WIDE:

Vandalism on Federal Lands

If you witness any acts of vandalism, destruction, or unauthorized gathering of forest products, please contact the nearest Ranger District or the Willamette National Forest in Eugene 541-465-6865.

Release of Names

The Office of General Council at the Department of Agriculture has determined that the names and addresses of persons who respond to solicitations for comments for Forest Service projects are subject to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) and subject to public review. Comments received in response to the actions in this publication, including names and addresses of those who comment, will be considered part of the public record on the proposed action and will be available for public inspection. Comments received anonymously will be accepted and considered, however, those who 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 FOIA permits such confidentiality. Persons requesting such confidentiality should be aware that, under FOIA, confidentiality may be granted only in very limited circumstances, such as to protect trade secrets. The Forest Service will inform the requester of the agency's decision regarding the request for confidentiality, and where the request is denied, the agency will return the submission and notify the requester that the comments may be resubmitted with or without name and address within 15 days.

Incidental Special Uses, Forest-Wide Supervisor's Office, Detroit RD, McKenzie River RD, Middle Fork RD, Sweet Home RD.

All units on the Forest will periodically issue permits for the following types of uses throughout the year, as requested and if approved: Noncommercial Group Uses (over 75 people) that includes weddings, filming/still photography, special events, recreation events, etc.

FROM THE DISTRICTS:

Blue River District and McKenzie District Combine to form the "McKenzie River Ranger District"

On April 17 2002, the Chief of the Forest Service approved the proposal put forth last year to consolidate the Blue River and McKenzie Ranger Districts into the McKenzie River Ranger District. Combination of these two administrative units follows lengthy analysis and consideration of the needs to reduce administrative costs in an era of declining budgets while still providing high quality land stewardship and services to the public. The majority of employees are now located at the primary McKenzie River District office, two miles east of McKenzie Bridge. The Blue River District office is now functioning as a Service Center Monday through Friday with the minimum staff to accommodate visitor information, permits, and point of contact for the community.

Gold Butte Lookout

Structural rehabilitation work continues at the 1934 Gold Butte Lookout in partnership with the Sand Mountain Lookout society. Once part of an extensive ground based "fixed-point" fire detection system consisting of over 100 such lookouts built between 1905 and 1988, Gold Butte is now one of only five remaining historic lookouts on the Forest.

Both the access road and the building will be closed to public use while the work progresses. The project is scheduled to be completed in October 2002 at which time the Forest hopes to include Gold Butte in the Recreation Rental program.

Contact: Cara Kelly

Owl Creek Special Habitat Area Plan

McKenzie RD, T16S,R5,S.24.

An Implementation Guide for the Owl Creek Special Habitat Area is being developed. This project is in the Horse Creek Watershed.

Completion: Summer 2002

Contact: Susan Stearns

Quartzville Watershed Analysis

Sweet Home RD, T10S,R4,&5E; T11S,R4E; T11S,R4&5E, Quartzville Watershed.

The Salem BLM, in cooperation with the Sweet Home Ranger District, is preparing a watershed analysis for the Quartzville Watershed.

Status: Analysis

Completion: Fall 2002

Contact: Donna Short

Current Projects

SOPA Quarters

Fall Quarter: October 1 to December 31

Winter Quarter: January 1 to March 31

Spring Quarter: April 1 to June 30

Summer Quarter: July 1 to September 30

Timing of Decisions

The projected decision dates in the following sections are best estimates based on predicted funding, weather conditions, project priorities, and overall scheduling of work. Although it is difficult to predict how and when these various factors will change project schedules, we will try to reflect any changes as accurately as possible as we update the Forest Focus each quarter.

Detroit RD

Recreation

Crag-South Breitenbush Connector Trail

Detroit RD

T9S, R7E, S.36.

Project would construct 1/4 mile connecting trail from the parking area that jointly serves South Breitenbush Trail #3374 and Crag Trail #3364.

Status: Scoping

Decision: Summer 2002

Implementation: Fall 2002

Contact: Abe Quihuis

Detroit Lake State Park Master Plan EA

Detroit RD

T10S, R5E, S.2,3,10.

Detroit Lake State Park facilities are located on Federal land. The State Parks and Recreation Department has recently completed a Master Plan for the facilities and requested an Authorization for use with a 20-year term.

Status: Document Development

Decision: Fall 2002

Implementation: Fall 2002

Contact: Rodney Stewart

Hunt's Cove Trail

Relocation/Reconstruction

Detroit RD

T10S, R8E, S.7, 17, 18.

The proposal is to reconstruct and/or relocate approximately two miles of trail between Hunt's Cove and Cathedral Rocks in the Mt. Jefferson Wilderness.

Status: Scoping

Decision: Summer 2002

Implementation: Summer 2003

Contact: Abe Quihuis

Opal Creek Wilderness Management

Detroit RD

Opal Creek Watershed.

This proposal will amend the Willamette National Forest Plan to include management direction for the newly designated Opal Creek Wilderness.

Status: Document Development

Decision: Summer 2002

Implementation: Spring 2003

Contact: Brian McGinley

Current Projects

Upper Arm Recreation Site Restoration

Detroit RD

T9S, R5E, S.36.

Proposal is to reconstruct the Upper Arm recreation site on the Breitenbush Arm of Detroit Lake. Project would construct formal picnic and campsites and supporting facilities such as toilets, parking areas, and accessible beach area.

Status: Scoping

Decision: Summer 2002

Implementation: Fall 2002

Contact: Dani Rosetti

Woodpecker Trailhead Parking Improvement

Detroit RD

T10S, R7E, S.8.

The proposal is to create a formal turn-around and parking area for large vehicles and vehicles with trailers at Woodpecker Trail #3342. Project is located within an existing harvested area.

Status: Scoping

Decision: Summer 2002

Implementation: Fall 2002

Contact: Abe Quihuis

Silviculture

Aerial Fertilization

Detroit RD

District-wide.

Aerial application of urea prill fertilizer (46-0-0) for timber stand improvement on approximately 2,500 acres of managed stands 3 to 70 years old.

Status: Scoping

Decision: Summer 2002

Implementation: Fall 2002

Contact: Vic Baumann or Dave Leach

Pre-commercial Thinning and Tree Pruning

Detroit RD

District-wide.

Thinning project would cut trees 5 " dbh and under to a stand density of approximately 300 trees per acre. Western white pine trees would be pruned to control blister rust disease.

Status: Scoping

Decision: Summer 2002

Implementation: Fall 2002

Contact: Vic Baumann

Special Forest Product Sales, FY 2002

Detroit RD

District-wide.

Proposal to harvest boughs and Christmas trees and other forest products to include beargrass, salal, madrone, chinquapin, willow, alder, maple, ceanothus and vine maple.

Status: Scoping

Decision: Summer 2002

Implementation: Fall 2002

Contact: Vic Baumann

Tree Pruning

Detroit RD

District-wide.

Proposal to prune 500 acres of trees to improve timber quality and health. An average of 100 trees per acre will be pruned. Western white pine trees will be pruned to control blister rust disease.

Status: Scoping

Decision: Summer 2002

Implementation: Fall 2002

Contact: Vic Baumann

Current Projects

Timber Sales

Detroit Snow Damage Salvage

Detroit RD

T8S,R5E,S.4,9; T9S, R5E,S.26,27,28,35;
T9S,R6E,S.15,16,21,28,29,30,31.

Heavy snowfall in February 2002, caused damage to 70 year-old stands in several locations. Project will salvage down and damaged timber and perform thinning in selected stands to minimize additional damage from beetle infestation.

Status: Scoping

Decision: Winter 2003

Implementation: Spring 2003

Contact: Dave Leach

Shore Nuf Timber Sale

Detroit RD

T10S, R5E; T10S, R6E; T11S, R5E.

The proposal would commercially thin approximately 1,136 acres of second growth timber and construct approximately 1.8 miles of temporary road and reconstruct approximately 5.7 miles of existing road.

A Notice of Intent to prepare an environmental impact statement appeared in the Federal Register on 9/15/2001.

Notice of the release of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement appeared in the Federal Register on 9/21/2001.

Status: Decision Pending

Decision: Summer 2002

Implementation: Fall 2002

Contact: Jim Romero or Rodney Stewart

Sugar Pine Management

Detroit RD

T8S, R6E, S.34; T9S, R6E- East Humbug and Fox Creek Drainages.

Proposal is to remove selected trees and understory vegetation near approximately 160 sugar pines to reduce competition for moisture and nutrients and underbuning and provide favorable conditons for natural reseeding of sugar pine.

Status: Document Development

Decision: Summer 2002

Implementation: Fall 2002

Contact: Dave Leach

Forest-Wide

Forest Plan Amendments

Peregrine Falcon Forest Plan Amendment

Forest-Wide

Forest-wide.

After delisting of peregrine falcom under the ESA, twenty-five additional nest sites have been identified on the Forest. Forest Plan standards and guidelines are needed to protect nest sites and to provide for continued recovery of the falcon population.

Status: Scoping

Decision: Summer 2002

Implementation: Fall 2002

Contact: Neal Forrester or Ken Byford

Current Projects

McKenzie River RD

Air Quality

Three Sisters Air Quality Monitoring Station

McKenzie River RD
T14S,R6E,S.36.

Proposal would remove approximately 35 trees at the Three Sisters IMPROVE Air Quality Monitoring Station to maintain clearance for the EPA site to function properly.

Status: Document Development

Decision: Summer 2002

Implementation: Fall 2002

Contact: Dave Kretzing or Teiva White

Botany

Bunchgrass Meadow Restoration

McKenzie River RD
T15S,R7E, S.10.

Proposal to remove mostly understory and mid-story trees on 60 to 170 acres that have encroached upon and altered the meadow environment of Bunchgrass Meadow.

Status: Scoping

Decision: Summer 2003

Implementation: Fall 2003

Contact: Nancy Wilson

Lands and Minerals

Reconstruction of West Fork Horse Creek Bridge

McKenzie River RD
AMA, T16S,R5E,S.16.

The District has prepared an environmental assessment on a Lane County proposal to rehabilitate the West Fork Horse Creek Bridge on Delta Road. The historical bridge is on National Forest System land but would be maintained by Lane County.

Status: Decision Pending

Decision: Summer 2002

Implementation: Summer 2003

Contact: Al Brown

Sections 13 and 14 Land Encroachments

McKenzie River RD
T16S,R5E,S13&14.

Recent adjustments of land lines in these sections have resulted in apparent property encroachments onto National Forest System Lands. Landowners have been notified. Some situations may qualify for Small Tracts Act resulting in sale of small parcels.

Status: Scoping

Decision: Fall 2002

Implementation: Spring 2003

Contact: Pat Hutchins

Recreation

Fish Lake Planning Project

McKenzie River RD
T13S,R6E; S.29,30,31,32.

Project includes a development plan for Fish Lake administrative and recreation sites, including the historic Fish Lake Remount Depot. Proposal may include interpretive wayside, campground improvements, dispersed camping area, and trailhead.

Status: Document Released for Review

Decision: Summer 2002

Implementation: Spring 2004

Contact: Stacey Smith

Current Projects

Silviculture

Aerial Fertilization

McKenzie River RD

AMA, District-wide.

Helicopter application of nitrogen fertilizer for timber stand improvement on approximately 950 acres of managed stands. The stands proposed for treatment are located throughout the District.

Status: Scoping

Decision: Summer 2002

Implementation: Fall 2002

Contact: Tim Kee or Kevin Moran

Timber Sales

Minor Thin

McKenzie River RD

T16S, R4E,S.26,27,28,33,34,35.

This project analyzes commercial thinning in the McKenzie Minor Tributaries Watershed.

Alternatives range from 380 to 180 acres of thinning. Approximately five miles of road are being considered for closure.

Status: Scoping

Decision: Fall 2002

Implementation: Summer 2003

Contact: Teiva White

Nineteen Road Salvage

McKenzie River RD

South Fork McKenzie River Watershed.

Proposal to salvage harvest approximately 200 mbf of primarily standing dead trees adjacent to the Aufderheide Scenic Byway (Forest Road #19) from Box Canyon to State Highway 126.

Status: Document Released for Review

Decision: Summer 2002

Implementation: Fall 2002

Contact: Rita Mustatia

Trapper Project (formerly Wolfmann Project)

McKenzie River RD

AMA, Blue River Watershed.

Proposal includes 155 acres of timber harvest with a variety of treatments, construction of 1,500 feet of temporary road, and use of low-severity prescribed fire on 92 acres.

Status: Scoping

Decision: Fall 2002

Implementation: Summer 2003

Contact: Cheryl Friesen

Two Bee Landscape Management Project

McKenzie River RD

AMA, T13S,R6&7E; T14S,R6&7E;
T15S,R6&7E.

Includes commercial thinning, selective partial harvest, and regeneration harvest on approximately 1,000 acres. Stream restoration, road decommissioning, recreation improvements, and prescribed fire is also proposed.

A Notice of Intent to prepare an environmental impact statement appeared in the Federal Register on 6/29/1999.

Status: Document Development

Decision: Winter 2003

Implementation: Spring 2004

Contact: Al Brown or Cheryl Friesen

Watershed and Fisheries

Coffee Creek Culvert Upgrade

McKenzie River RD

T17S,R4E,S.16.

Project involves culvert replacement to accommodate a 100-year flood flow in Coffee Creek, a tributary of Quartz Creek.

Status: Scoping

Decision: Spring 2003

Implementation: Summer 2003

Contact: Dave Bickford

Current Projects

Ore Creek Culvert Upgrade

McKenzie River RD

T17S,R4E,S.16.

Project proposes to modify a culvert on Forest Road 1509 to allow fish passage in Ore Creek.

Status: Scoping

Decision: Fall 2002

Implementation: Summer 2003

Contact: Ray Rivera

Watershed Restoration

Elk Creek Road Decommissioning

McKenzie River RD

T19S,R6E,S.8,9.

Roads 1964457, 1964486, 1964488 are currently accessed by a deteriorating log stringer bridge.

The project proposes to remove the deteriorating bridge, decommission stranded road segments, and rehabilitate a water source on Elk Creek.

Status: Scoping

Decision: Spring 2003

Implementation: Fall 2004

Contact: Dave Kretzing

Lost Lake Riparian Restoration

McKenzie River RD

T13S,R7E; T13 S,R7 1/2E, S.21.

This proposal would rehabilitate disturbed and compacted soil, revegetate areas of exposed soils, and eradicate noxious weeds. Areas adjacent to Lost Lake are affected by soil disturbance and compaction from past recreational use.

Status: Scoping

Decision: Fall 2002

Implementation: Spring 2003

Contact: Dave Kretzing or Susan Stearns

Middle Fork RD

Recreation

Greenwaters Rest Area Boat Ramp

Middle Fork RD

T21S, R3E, S.16.

Proposal to rebuild a boat ramp destroyed in 1996 floods on the Middle Fork of the Willamette River. The objectives are to provide access for boaters while improving riparian health.

Status: Scoping

Decision: Fall 2002

Implementation: Fall 2003

Contact: Terri Jones

Huckleberry Flats Motorcycle Trail & Bridge

Middle Fork RD

T21S, R4E, S.6,7.

The project will integrate two new segments, approx, 2.5 miles of trail into the existing Trail No.4381 to minimize traffic on shared-use roads. The majority of construction will be on existing skidroads, and to replace a log bridge.

Status: Scoping

Decision: Summer 2002

Implementation: Fall 2002

Contact: Wendy Zustiak

Lewis & Clark College Outdoor Program

Middle Fork RD

Middle Fork RD, Waldo Lake Area.

This is a request for a 5 year special use permit for utilization of Waldo Lake for New Student Orientation and Service Project. Camping would be done at designated site with portable self-contained sanitation.

Status: Scoping

Decision: Summer 2002

Implementation: Summer 2002

Contact: Sandra Melinder

Current Projects

Mountain Bike Festival

Middle Fork RD

T21S, R3E, S. 6,7,13-15,22-24.

Proposal to hold a 1 day recreational mountain biking event/race for registered participants.

Event will be on trails off Salmon Creek road and surrounding areas. Date of event is August 10 and 11, 2002.

Status: Decision Pending

Decision: Summer 2002

Implementation: Summer 2002

Contact: Sandra Melinder

Trail Bridge - Fall, Johnny, and Clark Cr Trails

Middle Fork RD

T18S, R2E, S.25-29,31; T18S, R3E; S.19-22.

This project proposes to replace deteriorating log bridges with laminated beam bridges.

Status: Scoping

Decision: Summer 2002

Implementation: Spring 2004

Contact: Sue Baker

Trail Bridge Construction - North Fork Trail

Middle Fork RD

North Fork, Middle Fork Willamette River Watershed.

Construction of five bridges on segment 5 of the North Fork trail. Engineer-designed laminated beams will be used to prevent cutting of live trees in the riparian zone.

Status: Scoping

Decision: Summer 2002

Implementation: Summer 2002

Contact: Sue Baker

Trail Reconstruction - Fall Creek Trail

Middle Fork RD

T18S, R2E; S.25-29,31; T18S, R3E; S.19-22.

Reconstruction of approximately five miles of the Fall Creek National Recreation Trail.

Status: Document Development

Decision: Summer 2002

Implementation: Fall 2002

Contact: Sue Baker

Trail Reconstruction - Huggin' Tree Trail

Middle Fork RD

T18S, R3E, S.22,27.

Reconstruction of a portion of an old trail from Fall Creek to Gold Point.

Status: Document Development

Decision: Summer 2002

Implementation: Summer 2002

Contact: Sue Baker

Trail Reconstruction Cloverpatch-Tire Mtn Tie

Middle Fork RD

T20S, R2E, S.15,22.

Reconstruction of trail connecting Cloverpatch and Tire Mountain Trails.

Status: Document Development

Decision: Summer 2002

Implementation: Summer 2002

Contact: Sue Baker

Waldo Lake Campgrounds Gray Water Disposal

Middle Fork RD

T21S, R6E, S.9,16; T22S, R6E, S.6.

Analyzing alternatives for disposing of gray water from the three developed campgrounds.

Status: Scoping

Decision: Spring 2003

Implementation: Summer 2003

Contact: Jim Williams

Current Projects

Waldo Road Sno-Park

Middle Fork RD

T22S,R5,1/2E,S.35.

Develop an alternate sno-park to replace the current facility at the Waldo Lake junction, and construct a toilet facility and snow play area adjacent to the new sno-park.

Status: Scoping

Decision: Spring 2003

Implementation: Summer 2003

Contact: Jim Williams

Willamette Pass Gondola over Hwy 58

Middle Fork RD

T22S,R6E,S.32,33;R23S,R6E,S.5.

Proposal to install a gondola to transport users from the parking lot on the south side of Highway 58 to the lodge on the north side of the highway. All actions are within the current Willamette Pass Ski Area permit boundary.

Status: Scoping

Decision: Summer 2002

Implementation: Summer 2002

Contact: Margaret Hartzell

Willamette Pass Snow-Play Expansion

Middle Fork RD

T22S, R6E, S.32,33; T23S, R6E, S.5.

Proposal to expand existing snow-play site by approximately two acres. All actions are within the current Willamette Pass Ski Area permit boundary.

Status: Document Development

Decision: Winter 2003

Implementation: Fall 2003

Contact: Margaret Hartzell

Road-Use

Clark Creek Culvert Replacement

Middle Fork RD

Forest Road 18, Milepost 12.66.

Project proposes to replace the existing Clark Creek culvert with an arch to provide fish passage and protection from 100-year flood events.

Status: Scoping

Decision: Summer 2002

Implementation: Summer 2002

Contact: Larry Tennis

Diamond Drive

Middle Fork RD

T24S, R5E,S.21;T25S,R5E,S.13.

Proposal to upgrade 13.3 miles of Road 2154 to double-lane paved standard, from Road 21 to Umpqua Road 6000770. The project will widen the existing road to a double lane. Major work items will include clearing, excavation, culvert placement.

Status: Scoping

Decision: Fall 2002

Implementation: Spring 2003

Contact: Keith Wheeler

Echo Creek culvert replacement

Middle Fork RD

T24S,R4E,S.22.

The project proposes to replace the existing 10 ft. diameter Echo Creek Culvert under road 2143.325 with an arch to provide for fish passage on this Class II stream.

Status: Document Development

Decision: Summer 2002

Implementation: Summer 2003

Contact: Tim Bailey

Current Projects

Flat Creek Culvert Removal

Middle Fork RD

T21S,R3E, S.14.

This proposal is to replace a culvert on Road 2404 with a larger one. A new culvert would allow water flow from a 100-year flood event and also improve fish passage.

Status: Document Development

Decision: Summer 2002

Implementation: Spring 2002

Contact: Gary Rost

Puma Fire Project

Middle Fork RD

T18S,R2E, S.25,26,36.

The proposal includes removal of hazard trees, fuel hazard reduction activities, and maintenance of roads 1800 and 1825.

Status: Scoping

Decision: Summer 2002

Implementation: Summer 2002

Contact: Rick Scott

Road Use Permit - Hayden

Middle Fork RD

T18S,R2E,S.26.

Cedric L. Hayden is requesting a permit of use of National Forest land to access his property for timber haul for five years. Existing road is under permit issued in 1991. No new ground disturbance.

Status: Document Development

Decision: Summer 2002

Implementation: Summer 2002

Contact: Sandra Melinder

Road Use Permit - Martin

Middle Fork RD

T21S,R2E,S.13.

Betty Lou D. Martin requests use of National Forest land to access her property. Current access from Highway 58 is unsafe due to high volume of traffic.

Status: Document Development

Decision: Summer 2002

Implementation: Summer 2002

Contact: Sandra Melinder

Road Use Permit - Neal

Middle Fork RD

T22S,R5E,S.21.27.

Brian Neal is requesting use of National Forest Land to access his property using two roads. His property is surrounded by National Forest.

Status: Document Development

Decision: Summer 2002

Implementation: Summer 2002

Contact: Sandra Melinder

Road Use Permit - Wilson

Middle Fork RD

T21S,R3E,S.15.

David Wilson is requesting renewal of a private road special use permit for 5 years.

Status: Scoping

Decision: Summer 2002

Implementation: Summer 2002

Contact: Sandra Melinder

Roads Analysis Middle Fork District

Middle Fork RD

District-wide.

The Middle Fork Travel Analysis Plan is being developed by subwatershed (9). Documentation of analyses may be in the form of a management plan or a NEPA document.

Status: Document Development

Decision: Fall 2002

Implementation: Spring 2003

Contact: Terri Jones, D'Lynn Williams

Current Projects

Salmon Creek Road Closure

Middle Fork RD

T21S,R3E, S.13.

This proposal would close 450 feet of a non-system road to vehicular travel using an earthen berm. The road currently accesses Salmon Creek from road 2400 (Salmon Cr Road).

Status: Document Development

Decision: Winter 2003

Implementation: Summer 2002

Contact: Gary Rost

Silviculture

Fertilization

Middle Fork RD

District-wide.

Fertilization of approximately 1,500 acres of young stands at various location throughout the District. The units proposed for treatment are not in Late-Successional Reserves.

Status: Scoping

Decision: Summer 2002

Implementation: Fall 2002

Contact: Mike Jensen, Terri Jones

Middle Fork Timber Stewardship Project

Middle Fork RD

18S,R2E,S.16-20,29,30;T19S,2E,S.3,5,8-11,14,23,27;T19S, R3E,S.5-9,16,17;T24S,R3E,S.15.

Project proposes thinning of young stands. Some of the trees with 8" and larger DBH would be removed. Some remaining trees will be pruned of all limbs to heights of 12' and 24'.

Status: Scoping

Decision: Winter 2003

Implementation: Summer 2003

Contact: Sharon Knoper, Terri Jones

Pruning

Middle Fork RD

District-wide.

Approximately 1,500 acres of pruning is proposed in young timber stands from 15 to 50 years in age at various locations throughout the District. Units proposed for treatment are in Matrix lands.

Status: Scoping

Decision: Summer 2002

Implementation: Fall 2002

Contact: Mike Jensen, Terri Jones

Ursus Timber Sale

Middle Fork RD

T24S,R4E,S.3,6,7,10,14,17,21,23.

Project proposes to commercially thin 500 acres of previously managed stands.

Status: Document Development

Decision: Spring 2003

Implementation: Fall 2003

Contact: Rick Scott

Young Stand Density Management

Middle Fork RD

District-wide.

Between 1,000 and 2,500 acres of young stand density management is proposed at various locations throughout the District. The units proposed for treatment may occur in Late-Successional Reserves or riparian reserves.

Status: Scoping

Decision: Summer 2002

Implementation: Fall 2002

Contact: Mike Jensen, Terri Jones

Current Projects

Special Uses

Bob Stockdall's Guide Service

Middle Fork RD

Middle Fork of Willamette River, Hills Cr Reservoir to Lookout Point Reservoir.

Outfitting and guiding river and fishing trips using non-motorized drift boat from Hills Creek Reservoir to the Corps of Engineers boundary at Lookout Point Reservoir. Lasts until October 31, 2002.

Status: Scoping

Decision: Summer 2002

Implementation: Summer 2002

Contact: Sandra Melinder

Cascade Cream Puff

Middle Fork RD

District-wide.

Requesting a special use permit for a 100 mile, 3 lap mountain bike race. Utilizes various existing roads and trails including FS roads 19,1910,1802,1802-141,1802-140,1912, the Alpine Trail, and the North Fork Trail.

Status: Scoping

Decision: Summer 2002

Implementation: Summer 2002

Contact: Sandra Melinder

City of Oakridge

Middle Fork RD

T21S,R3E, S.1;Dead Mtn. Electronic Site.

Request for a special use permit for constructing a 12 x 12 foot cement building with 150 foot tower to house current site users in a Forest Service building. New building will also provide for additional users.

Status: Scoping

Decision: Summer 2002

Implementation: Summer 2002

Contact: Sandra Melinder

Emerald Empire Sports Club Hill Climb

Middle Fork RD

T21S,R3E,S.33

Requesting Special Use Permit for annual recreation event in July. Race-course is on FS road 2101 near Larison Rock.

Status: Scoping

Decision: Summer 2002

Implementation: Summer 2002

Contact: Sandra Melinder

Fat Tire Festival

Middle Fork RD

T21S,R3E,S.12-15,17-18,20-21,24;T21S,R4E,S.7,18.

Request for a special use permit to hold a recreational mountain biking event/race for registered participants. Event will be on National Forest Land utilizing various trails and forest roads.

Status: Scoping

Decision: Summer 2002

Implementation: Summer 2002

Contact: Sandra Melinder

Oakridge Sewage Treatment Permit Renewal

Middle Fork RD

T21S,R3E,S.18.

The City of Oakridge requests renewal of the permit to operate sewage treatment plant. The permit currently authorizes operation of the processing plant and spreading of treated effluent on approximately 13 acres of National Forest lands.

Status: Scoping

Decision: Summer 2002

Implementation: Summer 2002

Contact: Sandra Melinder

Current Projects

Oregon Fur Takers

Middle Fork RD

Waldo Lake, Shadow Bay Campground.

Request for a special use permit for holding a four-day recreational event of lectures, talks, demonstrations, contests, canoe races, and an auction.

Status: Scoping

Decision: Summer 2002

Implementation: Summer 2002

Contact: Sandra Melinder

Rental Home Analysis

Middle Fork RD

T21S,R2E,S.12;T21S,R3E,S.15.

The district proposes to dispose of five rental homes for which needed maintenance and repairs are unfunded. These houses are eligible for inclusion on the National Register of Historic Structures.

Status: Document Development

Decision: Summer 2002

Implementation: Winter 2003

Contact: Tim Bailey

Where's Waldo- 100K Ultra Marathon & Relay

Middle Fork RD

District-wide (Deschutes NF and Willamette NF).

Requesting special use permit for recreational 100 K relay race Sept 28, 2002, starting at Willamette Pass and climbing several mountain peaks (Fuji, Twins, Maiden Peak) before returning to the ski area.

Status: Scoping

Decision: Summer 2002

Implementation: Fall 2002

Contact: Sandra Melinder

Timber Sales

Brush Creek Timber Sale

Middle Fork RD

T19S,R2E,S.7,8,9,16-20.

Regeneration harvest of about 100 acres and commercial thinning of approximately 75 acres of managed plantations. Associated activities include road construction, road maintenance, and about 4.0 miles of road closures.

Status: Document Development

Decision: Summer 2002

Implementation: Winter 2004

Contact: Rick Scott

Buzzard Timber Sale

Middle Fork RD

T20S,R3&4E.

Approximately 6.1 MMBF of commercial thinning and 0.2 MBBF of sanitation salvage. Project would include construction of approximately 1.7 miles of temporary road.

Status: Document Development

Decision: Fall 2003

Implementation: Summer 2004

Contact: Rick Scott

Hi-Brock Salvage

Middle Fork RD

T19S,R5E, S.3,9,10,16,17,27,28,33,34.

Savage of blown down trees in the road prism adjacent to roads 760 and 762, along with logs from road repair projects.

Status: Document Released for Review

Decision: Summer 2002

Implementation: Summer 2002

Contact: John Poet

Current Projects

Julep Timber Sale

Middle Fork RD

T22&23S, R4&5E.

Project proposes approximately 200 acres of regeneration harvest and 175 acres of thinning, for a total of 7 MMBF. This project may exceed the Regional Guidelines for size limitation for created openings (60 ac.).

Status: Document Development

Decision: Fall 2002

Implementation: Summer 2003

Contact: Rick Scott

Jump Up Timber Sale

Middle Fork RD

T20S,R3E.

Project proposes to thin approximately 600 acres of managed stands from 45 - 75 years of age, producing about 7 MMBF of timber and reconstruction of about 21 miles of existing road. This project includes young stand density management and trail work.

Status: Document Development

Decision: Fall 2002

Implementation: Fall 2003

Contact: Rick Scott

Kiln Salvage

Middle Fork RD

T25S,R4E,S.17,18.

Salvage of approximately 25 ccf of blown down trees within the road prism of FS Road 2136279.

Status: Scoping

Decision: Summer 2002

Implementation: Summer 2002

Contact: Rick Scott

Lookout Timber Sale

Middle Fork RD

T23S, R4E,S.29.

Project proposes to cut and remove approximately 5.5 acres of trees on the south and east sides of Warner Lookout to improve visibility for fire detection and to reduce fire hazard near the lookout.

Status: Document Development

Decision: Summer 2002

Implementation: Summer 2002

Contact: Rick Scott

Salmon Creek Levee Maintenance Project

Middle Fork RD

T21S,R3E,S.15,16.

Proposal to repair five levee breaches caused by 1996 floods in order to improve public safety and provide protection to a primary Oakridge city wellhead. Treatments include re-establishing levee slope, and keying riprap to streambed.

Status: Scoping

Decision: Fall 2002

Implementation: Fall 2003

Contact: Terri Jones

Stumble Salvage

Middle Fork RD

T18S, R2,3,4E, T19S,R2,3,4E.

Salvage blow down trees and hazard trees that have been removed along the Fall Creek corridor and connecting spurs (excluding the Puma Fire area).

Status: Scoping

Decision: Summer 2002

Implementation: Summer 2002

Contact: Rick Scott

Current Projects

Windy Cabin Timber Sale

Middle Fork RD

T19S,R2E,S.25,2634-36;T19S,R3E,S.30,31;T20S,R2E,S.1-3,10-12;T20S.R3E.S.5-8.

Regeneration harvest of approximately 200 acres and commercial thinning of about 600 acres of managed plantations, yielding and estimated 15 MMBF of timber.

Status: Document Development

Decision: Spring 2003

Implementation: Spring 2004

Contact: Rick Scott

Watershed and Fisheries

Buck Creek Culvert Replacment Project

Middle Fork RD

T23S,R3E,S.9.

Project would replace existing culvert of FS road 21 at Buck Creek with a bridge to allow fish passage for resident and anadromous fish.

Status: Document Development

Decision: Summer 2002

Implementation: Summer 2002

Contact: Doug Larson

Chuckle Springs Fish Habitat

Middle Fork RD

T24S, R5E, S.19.

Project proposes to improve bull trout spawning habitat by reintroducing fine gravel in one large pool in Chuckle Springs prior to the return of the adult bull trout to spawn. Project is in partnership with Oregon Dept. of Fish and Wildlife.

Status: Scoping

Decision: Summer 2002

Implementation: Summer 2002

Contact: Doug Larson

Coffeepot Wtrshd Restoration Project

Middle Fork RD

T22S,R3E,S.35,36;T23S,R3E,S.34.

The proposed project in Coffeepot Creek consists of instream structure placement via helicopter in 0.4 miles of channel. The project involves road decommissioning 0.7 mile of Road 166.

Status: Scoping

Decision: Summer 2002

Implementation: Summer 2002

Contact: Dan Anderson

Good Fortune Aquatic Restoration Project

Middle Fork RD

T23S,R3E,S.7.

Enhance a one-mile stretch of Windfall Creek for fish and other aquatic life.

Status: Scoping

Decision: Summer 2002

Implementation: Summer 2002

Contact: Ron Mecklenburg

Hehe Creek Stream Rehab and Watershed Restoration

Middle Fork RD

T18S,R5E,S.16,17,20,21.

Restoration projects to improve habitat in this watershed.

Status: Scoping

Decision: Summer 2002

Implementation: Summer 2002

Contact: Ron Mecklenburg

Hillbilly Project

Middle Fork RD

T23S,R5E,S.6.

Enhance a one-half mile stretch of Hills Creek for fish and other aquatic life using large woody material.

Status: Document Development

Decision: Summer 2002

Implementation: Summer 2002

Contact: Ron Mecklenburg

Current Projects

Road Closures for Watershed Restoration/Access Mgt

Middle Fork RD

District-wide.

This project may close up to 20 miles of road on the Little Fall Creek, Fall Creek, and Winberry Creek areas.

Status: Scoping

Decision: Winter 2003

Implementation: Summer 2003

Contact: Gary Rost

Rug Rat Aquatic Restoration Project

Middle Fork RD

T20S,R2E,S.3,4;T19S,R2E,S.19,21,22,29,30.

Enhance 1.5 mile stretch of Winberry Creek and a 2 mile stretch of South Fork Winberry Creek for fish and other aquatic life.

Status: Document Development

Decision: Summer 2002

Implementation: Summer 2002

Contact: Ron Mecklenburg

Swift Creek Instream Placement & Monitoring

Middle Fork RD

T23S,R5E,S.29.

An instream structure placement project is planned to improve the habitat quality for aquatic species in Swift Creek.

Status: Scoping

Decision: Summer 2002

Implementation: Summer 2002

Contact: Dan Anderson

Wildlife

Flat Creek Administrative Site Cleanup

Middle Fork RD

T21S,R3E,S.14.

The project proposes to remove noxious weeds from the Flat Creek administrative site. The project may also include planting native species to prevent the spread of noxious weeds, and litter patrol.

Status: Scoping

Decision: Summer 2002

Implementation: Summer 2002

Contact: Kim McMahan, D'Lynn Williams

Kitson Bat Habitat Management & Monitoring

Middle Fork RD

T22S,R4E,S.6.

Proposal to restore bat habitat on the Kitson property. In addition, monitoring would lead to a better understanding of year-around habitat use of local bat populations.

Status: Scoping

Decision: Winter 2003

Implementation: Winter 2002

Contact: Dick Davis

North Shore Meadow Restoration

Middle Fork RD

T20S,R2E,S.9.

This project would attempt to restore historic dry meadow conditions by treating extensive noxious weed populations, treating small conifer encroachment, enhancing the Oregon white oak, and by application of prescribed fire to enhance native vegetation.

Status: Scoping

Decision: Winter 2003

Implementation: Summer 2003

Contact: Kirk Lunstrum

Current Projects

Sweet Home RD

Facilities

Sweet Home Ranger District Office

Sweet Home RD

T13S, R1E,S.33.

The District proposes an exchange of ten or more residential, office, shop, and storage properties for the administrative site currently being leased by the government for the Sweet Home Ranger District office.

Status: Scoping

Decision: Winter 2003

Implementation: Winter 2003

Contact: Mike Rassbach

Recreation

Daly Lake Access Improvements

Sweet Home RD

T12S,R6E, S.10&11.

Barrier-free access improvements are proposed for the Daly Lake dispersed recreation area. This includes a trail bridge across the inlet creek, replace the old pit toilet with vault toilet, and construct a barrier-free fishing platform on the lakeshore.

Status: Scoping

Decision: Fall 2002

Implementation: Spring 2003

Contact: Brian McGinley

Road-Use

Trout Creek Bridge

Sweet Home RD

T13S,R4E,S.32.

Proposal to replace the current concrete culvert on US Highway 20 with a bridge to improve fish habitat. Work would be accomplished by ODOT and would include an easement from the Forest Service to ODOT.

Status: Scoping

Decision: Fall 2002

Implementation: Summer 2003

Contact: Daren Utley

West Boundary Rock Source Expansion

Sweet Home RD

T14S,R5E, S.24, AMA, South Santiam Watershed.

Proposal to expand West Boundary pit by about one acre to include the area between the current development and Road 1509 by clearing brush and fire-regenerated second growth.

Status: Scoping

Decision: Fall 2002

Implementation: Fall 2002

Contact: Doug Shank

Silviculture

Bough Sales

Sweet Home RD

Upper Santiam, Falls Creek, Sheep & Lower Canyon watersheds.

Bough harvest units to occur on approximately 150 acres of 10 to 25 year-old conifer stands. Units are scattered throughout the District.

Status: Scoping

Decision: Fall 2002

Implementation: Fall 2002

Contact: Rob Ginn

Current Projects

Precommercial Thinning

Sweet Home RD

Quartzville, Middle & South Santiam, Mckenzie and Calapooia Watersheds.

Proposal is for precommercial thinning on 1,589 acres and conifer release on 89 acres in Matrix, Riparian and Late Successional Reserves.

Status: Scoping

Decision: Summer 2002

Implementation: Fall 2002

Contact: Pete Jorgenson

Timber Sales

Canal Thin

Sweet Home RD

T11S,R4E,S.10,11,12,14,15; T11S,R5E,S.7,8.

Commercially thin 415 acres of average 45 year old managed and natural stands.

Status: Scoping

Decision: Spring 2003

Implementation: Summer 2003

Contact: Suzanne Schindler

Gordon Thin

Sweet Home RD

T13S,R3E,S.36; T13S,R4E,S.31; T14S,R3E,S.1; T14S,R4E,S.5,6,10,11,15.

Commercially thin 160 acres of 40 year old managed stands.

Status: Scoping

Decision: Spring 2003

Implementation: Summer 2003

Contact: Suzanne Schindler

Lower Cala Thin

Sweet Home RD

T15S,R4E,S.16,17,18,20,30.

Commercially thin 225 acres of average 35 year old managed and natural stands.

Status: Scoping

Decision: Fall 2003

Implementation: Winter 2004

Contact: Suzanne Schindler

Parks Overstory Removal

Sweet Home RD

T13S,R6E,S.12,13&25; T13S,R7E,S.5,6,9&18.

Overstory removal of existing shelterwood and pre-logged harvest units. The proposed treatment area is 7 units totaling 275 acres. Harvest volume removed would range from 2 to 5 MMBF.

Status: Document Development

Decision: Summer 2002

Implementation: Fall 2002

Contact: Suzanne Schindler

Quartz Thin

Sweet Home RD

T11S,R5E,S.21,26,27,28,29,31,35.

Commercially thin 395 acres of 35 year old managed stands.

Status: Scoping

Decision: Summer 2003

Implementation: Fall 2003

Contact: Ken Loree

South Pyramid

Sweet Home RD

T12S,R6E,S.28-33; T12S,R5E,S.25.

Harvest of about 4.0 MMBF of timber from the South Pyramid Cr. subdrainage includes regeneration, partial removal, and thinning. Road construction and reconstruction also considered.

A Notice of Intent to prepare an environmental impact statement appeared in the Federal Register on 8/2/1999.

Status: Document Development

Decision: Winter 2003

Implementation: Spring 2003

Contact: Brian McGinley

Current Projects

Three Thin

Sweet Home RD

T13S,R5E,S.31; T14S,R5E,S.5,6,8,16,17.

Commercially thin 400 acres of 45 year old managed stands.

Status: Scoping

Decision: Winter 2003

Implementation: Summer 2003

Contact: Suzanne Schindler

Wiley Thin

Sweet Home RD

T14S,R2E,S.12,15,21,26.

Commercially thin about 145 acres of 40 year old managed stands.

Status: Scoping

Decision: Winter 2003

Implementation: Spring 2003

Contact: Suzanne Schindler

Wildlife

Topa Falls Big Game Habitat Improvement

Sweet Home RD

AMA, T13S,R4E,S.31.

Proposal to precommercially thin, prune, and aerial fertilize (16-20-0) 11 acres, and cut brush on 26 acres within a managed stand to improve big game forage quality.

Status: Document Development

Decision: Summer 2002

Implementation: Summer 2002

Contact: Virgil Morris

Wetland Restoration

Sweet Home RD

South Santiam Watershed, AMA.

Proposal would restore the character of six wetlands to provide habitat for amphibians and waterfowl, using natural materials to maintain water levels, noxious weed removal, planting native shrubs, and placement of nest boxes.

Status: Document Development

Decision: Summer 2002

Implementation: Fall 2002

Contact: Virgil Morris

Decisions Made Last Quarter

Detroit RD

Recreation

Blowout Suspension Bridge Repair

Detroit RD

T10S, R7E, S.27.

Remove lead based paint and repaint bridge towers, replace worn decking and suspender cables and construct retaining walls to protect approach foundations on Blowout Creek suspension bridge.

Status: Cancelled

Decision: Spring 2002

Implementation: Spring 2003

Contact: Rod Stewart

Opal Creek SRA Management Plan

Detroit RD

T8S,R4E;T9S,R5E;T8S,R5E.

The proposed action is to adopt the Opal Creek SRA Management Plan developed by the Opal Creek SRA Advisory Council in consultation with the Forest Service. The plan defines the Desired Condition within the SRA and identifies management standards.

Status: Signed Decision Document

Decision: Summer 2002

Implementation: Summer 2002

Contact: Stephanie Phillips or Jim Romero

McKenzie River RD

Road-Use

Access and Travel Management, Blue River

McKenzie River RD

AMA, T16S,R4E,S.25,26,27,28.

Access and travel management planning in the Minor Thin project area. Proposal would close roads to minimize big game harassment and minimize the spread of noxious weeds.

Status: Cancelled

Decision: Spring 2002

Implementation: Spring 2004

Contact: Teiva White, Kenny Gabriel

Gold Hill Road Reconstruction

McKenzie River RD

T16S, R4E.

Request received from Giustina Resources for permission to reconstruct an existing access road on National Forest land for timber removal from private land.

Status: Cancelled

Decision: Summer 2002

Implementation: Fall 2002

Contact: Pat Hutchins

Hardy Access and Travel Management

McKenzie River RD

T17,18S, R5E.

The District will assess the road system in conjunction with timber sale planning within the Hardy analysis area and provide alternative strategies to road and trail management.

Status: Cancelled

Decision: Winter 2003

Implementation: Summer 2003

Contact: Teiva White

Decisions Made Last Quarter

North Blue River Access and Travel Management

McKenzie River RD

AMA, T14&15S,R5E.

Plan to analyze the entire Blue River Drainage. The objective is to provide an effective and safe transportation system while improving the conditions of the watershed and wildlife habitat.

Status: Cancelled

Decision: Winter 2003

Implementation: Summer 2003

Contact: Teiva White

Scale Station Road Obliteration

McKenzie River RD

T16S,R4E S.23; T16S,R4ES.19; AMA.

This project would obliterate 800 feet of a paved road loop at old scale station adjacent to Forest Road 19. Also included is a proposal to obliterate a 1,200-foot section of old highway 126 at milepost 44 of current State Highway 126.

Status: Cancelled

Decision: Summer 2002

Implementation: Fall 2002

Contact: Monty Wilson

Silviculture

Bear Grass Sale

McKenzie River RD

AMA, Blue River Watershed.

Beargrass harvest is proposed in managed stands. Harvest rate would be limited to a third of the plants on a third of the acres within a 19,400-acre sale area.

Status: Project is being Implemented

Decision: Summer 2002

Implementation: Fall 2002

Contact: Bill Jackson

Pre-Commercial Thinning

McKenzie River RD

AMA, District-wide.

Pre-commercially thin approximately 550 acres on Blue River Ranger District at 225 to 300 trees per acre.

Status: Signed Decision Document

Decision: Summer 2002

Implementation: Fall 2002

Contact: Tim Kee or Kevin Moran

Timber Sales

Hardy Timber Sale

McKenzie River RD

T18S,R5E,S.4-10,15-22,27-30.

Approximately 750 acres will be reviewed for thinning and final harvest. Road construction may be proposed. An Access and Travel Management (ATM) plan would be completed as part of this project.

Status: Cancelled

Decision: Winter 2003

Implementation: Summer 2003

Contact: Teiva White

Wildlife

Browse Cutback

McKenzie River RD

AMA, District-wide.

The project proposes to cut back preferred browse vegetation on approximately 200 acres to enhance big game forage conditions.

Status: Signed Decision Document

Decision: Spring 2002

Implementation: Summer 2002

Contact: Penny Harris

Decisions Made Last Quarter

Cavity Creation

McKenzie River RD

AMA, District-wide.

This project would enhance approximately 150 trees for structure and habitat by creating cavity starts, bat roosts, log dens and hollows in trees and inoculating with stem decay for primary and secondary cavity nesting wildlife species.

Status: Signed Decision Document

Decision: Spring 2002

Implementation: Summer 2002

Contact: Penny Harris or Shane Kamrath

Down Woody Material Creation, 2002

McKenzie River RD

AMA, District-wide.

This proposal would fall approximately 350 trees to mitigate the large down wood dynamics that was interrupted by harvest. Large down wood contributes to soil nutrient cycling; fungi, small mammal, amphibian and reptile habitat.

Status: Signed Decision Document

Decision: Spring 2002

Implementation: Fall 2002

Contact: Penny Harris or Shane Kamrath

Early Stand Diversity Thinning, 2002-2003

McKenzie River RD

AMA, T18S,R4E; T17S,R6E; T16S,R6E; T16S,R5E; and T16S,R4E.

Proposal to reduce stocking and create diversity on approximately 1,200 acres in 15- to 25-year-old stands in the Hagan, Horse Creek and Fall Creek Late-Successional Reserves over a two-year period.

Status: Signed Decision Document

Decision: Spring 2002

Implementation: Summer 2002

Contact: Penny Harris

Inoculation Monitoring

McKenzie River RD

AMA, District-wide.

The project proposes to destructively sample approximately 50 trees that were inoculated with stem decay more than 5 years ago to monitor the decay rates of the inoculated trees and effectiveness of creating wildlife habitat using this method.

Status: Signed Decision Document

Decision: Spring 2002

Implementation: Summer 2002

Contact: Penny Harris

Wildlife Tree Creation 2002

McKenzie River RD

AMA, District-wide.

This proposal would create approximately 500 wildlife trees in recently harvested units by blasting, sawtopping, top and base girdling, inoculating with stem decays, and baiting trees with Douglas-fir beetle pheromones.

Status: Signed Decision Document

Decision: Spring 2002

Implementation: Fall 2002

Contact: Penny Harris or Shane Kamrath

Wildlife Tree Release

McKenzie River RD

AMA, District-wide.

Wildlife Tree Release will create approximately 100 open-grown trees in previously thinned 16-20 year old conifer stands.

Status: Signed Decision Document

Decision: Spring 2002

Implementation: Summer 2002

Contact: Penny Harris

Decisions Made Last Quarter

Middle Fork RD

Recreation

Cut P-line for Ski Lift within Current Master Plan

Middle Fork RD

T22S, R6E,S.32,33; T23S,R6E,S.4,5.

Proposal to cut a P-line for surveying for the feasibility of a potential new lift location that corresponds to Lifts G and E in the Willamette Pass EIS. All actions are within the Willamette Pass Ski Area permit boundary.

Status: Cancelled

Decision: Winter 2003

Implementation: Summer 2003

Contact: Jim Williams

Sweet Home RD

Timber Sales

Sheep Soda Thin

Sweet Home RD

AMA, T13S,R5E,S.20,22,28,29.

Commercially thin about 600 acres of 35- to 45 year old managed stands.

Status: Signed Decision Document

Decision: Spring 2002

Implementation: Summer 2002

Contact: Suzanne Schindler