

PAC Meeting
October 14, 2004
Siuslaw National Forest
Siuslaw River Room

Attendees: Mike Kennedy, Jose Linares, Denis Williamson, Alan Henning, Trish Hogervorst, Brad Keller, Frank Davis, Joni Quarnstrom, Julie Schreiber, Kim Gossen, Dick Powell, Barry Wulff, Mike Wilson, Annabelle Jaramillo, Rennie Ferris, Rosemary Furfey,

Welcome:

Jose Linares – As the new Siuslaw National Forest Supervisor, Jose welcomed everyone and expressed his pleasure at working with the Coast PAC again.

PAC Subcommittee Updates: Rennie Ferris/Alan Henning

Social Economic Subcommittee has been renamed to Action Subcommittee. The Action sub committee was formed when the PAC looked at the stewardship projects.

The revision of the BLM's RMP will be the committee's focus.

- Work collaboratively with other PAC's.
- Dependent on how much money the BLM gets for the revision resource management revision. It's up in the air right now.

If there are other ideas you would like to present to the action subcommittee bring it to us and we will discuss.

Action Subcommittee is putting on a workshop in Newport on Watershed Funding. Workshop, 9:00 a.m. -2:00 p.m., It is a good way to see how many funding opportunities there are.

A recommendation for the Action Subcommittee was brought forward by Mike Wilson:

PAC Support thinning projects

- Send letter to RAC in support of thinning
- Do this during RAC call for project proposal January-April
- Look at proposed projects
- Speak during public time period

- Recommend where PAC thinks emphasis should be made
 - Written letter
 - Representative from PAC

- Agency give a list of approved projects *AGENDA ITEM
 - Share at January Meeting
 - To support reauthorization of RAC

- PAC host field trip to show RAC projects (key stakeholders)

2004 Monitoring Trip: Frank Davis

Frank gave handout of the Monitoring Trip Final Report. Any questions, call Frank Davis 541-750-7077.

Next year's monitoring projects – Regional Monitoring group chooses the projects to be monitored. Potential locations include Harris Ranch Trail Head and Drift Creek Falls Trail Head. The trip will probably will take more than one day.

Monitoring

- Can PAC recommend monitoring items/areas that feel relevant?
- Field trip on issues that PAC feels strongly about/scheduled monitoring trips
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- Presentation from Regional Monitoring Group – John Martin
 - What info gathered
 - What info tells people
 - Share agency monitoring schedule thinning regen

RiverPrize Update: Johan Hogervorst, Eric Nusbaum, Paula Crowder

Slide presentation of International Theiss RiverPrize Watershed Award – Siuslaw Basin that focused on the importance of partnerships to get work done in the Siuslaw watershed.

Special Forest Products: Bill Otani, Forest Service and Jeff Gordon BLM

(As it relates to Coast Range economics)

Jeff Gordon:

Slide presentation and handout

BLM Special Forest Products Sales (within the Caost Range Province FY1999 to FY2004).

BLM does have a special forest product handbook and if you would like a copy let Trish know.

Trends:

- Boughs holding
- Floral holding
- Mosses increase
- Mushrooms –down
- Fuel wood – down

Bill Otani:

Special Forest Product, Asian Community Liaison
Slide Presentation and handout

Special Forest Product Benefits

- Boost to local business
- Winter work for many
- Links user groups together
- Entrepreneur opportunities
- Broadens economic base

Special Forest Products *AGENDA ITEM*

- Revise how can we get our voices out there?

2005 Meeting Theme/Agenda/Dates: PAC

Where are we headed?

- Special Forest Products
 - Economics
 - Funding for special use products, kept/returned locally for monitoring
- Fish Passage barriers in Rock Creek Watershed
 - Funding from Eugene RAC
 - Corvallis Watershed/and other municipal watersheds, Newport, Lincoln City, Waldport,
 - PAC write letter of support
 - Siuslaw Forest Supervisor needs to get up to speed on the issue/Siuslaw needs to do their homework.
- Explore ways to make the PAC more visible, generate public interaction
- List of key issues in 2005
- Dialog of BLM RMP
 - Participation
- Forest Service update on OHV public involvement
- BLM OHV
 - Trails subcommittee updates
- Social Economic aspects of PAC (continue to focus)
- Monitoring
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2005 Future PAC Meeting Dates:

January 20 (coast)

April 21 (valley)

July 21 (coast)

October 20 (valley)

Round Robin

Rennie Ferris: PAC meeting at Newport and shared the knotweed program. Rennie ended up being the licensed leader for this project. Fairly affective and based on other results, our results of the project will show next year.

Mike Wilson: Pass

Mike Kennedy: Everyone is invited to the restoration project at Chinook Winds, afternoon of November 20. The Siletz Tribe POW WOW will be in the evening.

Rosemary Furfey: The public comment period for Coho salmon is still open. It is on the web page. The Coho recovery plan group is meeting November 15 & 16 in Roseburg. NOAA fisheries critical habitat has been issued. Rosemary will give a briefing when it comes out.

Denis Williamson: Owl study: they are evaluating it, The RMP steering committee is talking about collaboration models, budget etc.

Jose Linares:

Recreation has a new facility at Devils Churn. Fee demo legislation looks like were going to get some permanent legislation.

Facilities lease is coming up, we are competing for a new building in Corvallis but not sure where at this time.

South Zone office, We are trying to figure out where the main office will be located for the South Zone Ranger District. The decision of where to locate the office is getting closer. There are three options, we have been meeting with the local folks and Linda Goodman will be making the final decision soon.

FY04 timber accomplishments were 34mmbf board feet. We left 12 mmbf for fiscal year 15.

Barry Wulff: Sierra Club locally has been active with five workdays in the spring and two workdays in the fall. We averaged between 12 and 24 people each workday. This fall we worked for the city and county. Next spring we hope to work at Alsea Falls. We will run about 70 outings, approximately 1000 people, walking on the dirt roads and will do it again in the spring. We would like to take folks on hikes (Sierra Club), we need to keep our trails up.

Kim Gossen: Wasson Creek Roadless area, was a push to build a trail along this creek, and no longer resides on Coos Bay BLM web site. We never hear from Coos Bay BLM; maybe our province doesn't go that far. Could be part of the trails (Wasson Creek), She doesn't like getting single sided copies.