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To: All District Managers

From: State Director, Oregon/Washington

Subject: Extension of Certification for Existing Certified Scalers

Program Area: Timber Management; Log Scaling

Purpose: This Instruction Memorandum (IM) extends the certifications for existing Certified Scalers in the Oregon/Washington (OR/WA) Bureau of Land Management (BLM) until the end of calendar year 2008.

Policy/Action: This IM supplements IM No. OR-2007-052. IM-OR-2007-052 established the policy that currently requires Certified Scalers to successfully pass certification maintenance checks to maintain their certification.

Due to the retirement of the State Scaler and exigencies of business, we are extending the certification for existing Certified Scalers in BLM OR/WA until the end of calendar year 2008.

In order to maintain smooth and accountable operation of the BLM OR/WA timber sale program, districts must assure that their Certified Scalers complete the requirements for recertification by the end of calendar year 2008.

Timeframe: This policy goes into effect upon issuance.

Background: Accurate log scaling comprises an essential component of accurate timber volume measurement of lump sum and scale timber sales in the OR/WA timber sale program. The scaling certification program is designed to assure accuracy in log scaling.

Coordination: The OR/WA scaling certification policy was developed collaboratively with the State Cruiser/Appraiser, State Scaler, Westside District Cruiser/Appraisers, and Westside Forestry Leads.
Contact: Questions regarding technical aspects of scaling policy should be directed to Jonathan Wilder, Acting State Scaler, at 541-683-6793 or Ken Roan, State Cruiser/Appraiser, at 541-464-3395. Questions regarding policy implications should be directed to Lyndon Werner, Forester, at 503-808-6071.

Districts with Unions are reminded to notify their unions of this Instruction Memorandum and satisfy any bargaining obligations before implementation. Your servicing Human Resources Office or Labor Relations Specialist can provide you assistance in this matter.

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