

ACEC Nominations - Medford District

ACEC Name	Acres	Designation/ Nomination Values	Meets Relevance	Meets Importance	ACEC Recommendation	Rationale
Bald Mountain	590	Roadless, wildlife corridor, owls, natural systems, <i>Calochortus persistens</i> (candidate plant species), rock art, and historic trail	Yes	Yes	No further consideration at this time.	Meets relevance and importance only for Natural systems (Candidate plant & habitat - <i>Calochortus persistens</i>), however, already protected under ESA and BLM policy. Does not need special management attention. Rock art is contemporary, not historic. Roadless character is not a criterion for ACEC designation. Wildlife values are not relevant or important.
Buncom	5447	Roadless condition, owls, and recreation trails	No	No	No further consideration at this time.	A roadless area and recreation trails are not relevant features for ACEC nomination. Owls already protected under ESA.

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Cabbage Lane Water Source	40	Wildlife, fragile soils, and hazard area	Yes	No	No further consideration at this time.	Does not meet relevance or importance criteria for natural hazard; does not meet importance for wildlife. Active owl site meets relevance, but not importance; already protected under ESA. Sensitive soils do not constitute an existing hazard.
Cinnabar-Boaz	1,880	Roadless	No	No	No further consideration at this time.	Roadless character is not a criterion for ACEC designation.
Cobleigh Road	250	ESA-listed plant (<i>Fritillaria gentneri</i>); and deer winter range	Yes	Yes	Recommend for further analysis.	Source area for T&E plant propagules critical to the recovery plan for <i>Fritillaria gentneri</i> (federally endangered under ESA).
Cold Springs	183	Cultural, hydrologic, natural systems plant communities, and wildlife	Yes	No	No further consideration at this time.	Meets relevance for cultural, but not importance. Does not need special management attention; already protected under National Historic Preservation Act.

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Dakubetede	11,246	Hiking, scenic, natural systems and diverse/unique plant communities, listed and rare plants, wildlife corridor, lamprey and salmon, spiritual	Yes (for 1,814 acres)	Yes (for 1,814 acres)	No further consideration at this time.	Only 1,814 acres in Muddy Gulch-Birch Creek area meet the relevance and importance criteria (see Dakubetede Revised ACEC nomination below); not more than local significance; not unique or exemplary.
Dakubetede Revised	1,814	Natural systems, unique plant communities, and ESA-listed plant	Yes	Yes	Recommend for further analysis.	Special protection and management needed to maintain unique plant communities and unique plants. Area serves as a source collection for ESA-listed plants.
Eagle Canyon	1,466	Roadless, natural systems, oak woodlands, and chaparral	No	No	No further consideration at this time.	Roadless characteristic is not an ACEC criterion. Natural systems do not have more than local significance; not unique or exemplary.
East Fork of Whiskey Creek	3,189	Natural systems and wildlife values	Yes	Yes	Recommend for further analysis.	Values are exemplary and beyond local significance.

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Greater Enchanted Forest	4,900	Natural systems; wildlife, rare plants, scenic, and recreation values.	No	No	No further consideration at this time.	Does not have more than local significance. The enchanted forest trail is a locally treasured place, but does not meet ACEC criteria.
King Mountain Expansion	1,058	Natural systems, wildlife connectivity	No	No	No further consideration at this time.	Shasta-red fir archipelago does not have beyond local significance; no significant rare plants within proposed area outside of the existing King Mountain Rock Garden ACEC.
Long Gulch	1,020	Natural systems, geologic, trellised watershed, unique plant communities, wildlife, and rare plants.	Yes	Yes	Recommend for further analysis.	Meets relevance and importance for natural systems, wildlife, and geological unique narrow trellised watershed pattern.
Murphy/ Roundtop	19,460	Roadless, natural systems, rare and unique plant communities, scenic, and wildlife corridor.	Yes	Yes - in part	No further consideration at this time.	Meets relevance and importance for the area known as the Brewer Spruce RNA (an existing ACEC). Meets relevance for natural systems, wildlife, scenic throughout the rest of the area, but not importance; not more than locally significant outside the existing RNA.

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North Kangaroo	7,752	Natural systems, plant communities, Port Orford Cedar, rare plants, wildlife and sensitive species, wildlife corridor, cultural, and scenic values.	Yes – in part	Yes - in part	No further consideration at this time.	A portion of the area known as the Pipe Fork RNA and Greyback Glades RNA (existing ACECs) meets relevance and importance. Rest of area does not.
Old Ferry	65	Natural systems, wildlife, and soil values.	No	No	No further consideration at this time.	No unique or exemplary values.
Pacific Trail	13,604	Scenic values	Yes	Yes	No further consideration at this time.	The trail does not need special management attention; already protected under congressional designation (Cascade-Siskiyou National Monument).
Pickett Creek	89	ESA-listed plant	Yes	Yes	Recommend for further analysis.	Source area for plant propagules critical to the recovery plan for <i>Fritillaria gentner</i> (federally endangered under ESA).
Quartz-Lick	1,944	Roadless, natural systems (burned), impacted by suppression, threats from off-highway vehicles and monitoring to prevent weed spread.	No	No	No further consideration at this time.	Roadless character, burned area, OHV threats and weeds are not features that meet the relevance criteria.

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Reeves Creek	88	ESA-listed plants - <i>Lomatium cookii</i>	Yes	Yes	Recommend for further analysis.	Critical to recovery plan for <i>Lomatium cookii</i> . Critical source area for T&E plant propagules needed for recovery.
River Canyon	491	Roadless, mature old- growth canyon, wildlife connectivity, owls, and historic ditch	No	No	No further consideration at this time.	Roadless character is not a relevance criterion for ACEC designation. "Old Growth Canyon," wildlife connectivity, and owls is not unique or beyond local significance.
Robinson Gulch	90	Wildlife, fragile soils, and hazard area	No	No	No further consideration at this time.	Fragile soils do not constitute a public hazard.
Rogue River to King Mountain	20,480	Biological corridors, recreation economy, cultural and historical assets, botany, scenic vistas, mining toxics and hazards to public health, and geological rarities.	No	No	No further consideration at this time.	No significant, exemplary, rare, or unique features that require special management attention, or that are more than locally significant. No specific natural hazards identified.
Rueben Creek	5,400	Healthy aquatic system, water ouzels, unusual density of springs, connectivity, caves, cliffs, and talus.	No	No	No further consideration at this time.	Nominated features are not unique, significant, or exemplary beyond local significance.

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Waldo Takilma	2,210	Biological diversity, natural systems, unique serpentine plant communities, serpentine rare plants, cultural values (historic mining)	Yes	Yes	Recommend for further analysis.	A unique, exemplary area for significant botanical and cultural features.
Wellington Mountain (Not including Long Gulch, see above)	5,810	Roadless unentered areas, contiguous ownership, natural systems, old-growth, wildlife (owls), steelhead and/or trout.	No	No	No further consideration at this time.	Roadless character is not an ACEC designation criterion; natural systems and wildlife features do not have beyond local significance.
Zane Grey	46,683	Natural systems, rare plants, wildlife, recreation, roadless, scenic, and fish values	Yes	Yes for scenic values.	No further consideration at this time.	Area only meets importance for scenic values, but does not need special management.
Corridors under/over I-5	Unknown	Biological corridors along I-5 through Oregon	No	No	No further consideration at this time.	No significant, exemplary, rare, or unique values identified. No map of nominated area. Such corridors best considered as land-use allocations and management prescriptions in RMPs.

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Best of Oregon	Unknown	Late Succession (old-growth) forest stands	No	No	No further consideration at this time.	No significant, exemplary, rare, or unique values identified. No map of nominated area.