

Portland Office

One Geographic Information System (GIS) Supervisor. Establish and fill a new Service First position to supervise both Bureau of Land Management (BLM) and Forest Service (FS) work for GIS, geospatial, and information management. This position will lead integration activities and planning to improve the quality of GIS, geospatial and information services in both agencies. Through joint planning and actions, it is expected that additional positions will be identified to share skills (efficiency), data sets may be able to be combined to improve products for internal and external spatial data users (effectiveness), best practices may be identified in either agency for use in both, and processes will be evaluated to improve efficiency and effectiveness through integration and re-engineering. The position was in February 2006. Problems are only the usual administrative hassles with shared supervisory positions. Affected staff areas are the BLM OR-955.2 and Region 6 (R6) Data Resource Management (DRM). The responsible official is Kathy Eaton, Deputy State Director for Management Services.

One interagency radio backbone system. Develop a Regional Coverage Map for each Forest and District in Oregon/Washington (OR/WA) with the objective of relocating mountaintop repeaters to assure coverage across the region by December 31, 2006. Analyze ways to share frequencies more efficiently by the Spring 2007, dependent on completing the coverage map. Standardize equipment through procuring one common model handheld radio for use by both agencies and jointly procure/install mountaintop repeaters, and through using common specifications and sole source justification beginning FY 2007. For Radio Control Over Internet Protocol (RCOIP); no further conversion in OR/WA will occur until all problems with reliability have been resolved within an estimated 2 years +/- before technology is fully developed. It will be a joint decision to implement. Convert to Narrowband; sync up implementation of digital narrowband between FS and BLM (FS began procuring digital equipment in January 2006 with a 10 year plan to complete the acquisition; BLM will not go to digital until all partners are ready). For radio system support; establish an Interagency Radio Systems Coordination Group to provide oversight to implement radio backbone strategy that targets an integrated program using the strongest points of both the FS Information Solutions Organization (ISO) and BLM radio support organization. The responsible officials are Kathy Eaton and Karen Wood.

Interagency space policy. Preparing cross delegation authority that allows the agency with the lead to take that lead without detailed "re-briefings" and on interagency space guidelines. Kathy Eaton and Dale Fabian have the lead.

Shared computers. We are just getting started on finding solutions that work. Currently we are looking at the One GIS model; where two computers is an issue and we have co-located staff to assess ways to meet our goal for one computer for employees. To implement this project, we will need national support in the way of technical expertise and aligning agency policies to reflect changes in our operating model. We believe that with support, we can meet current security constraints while greatly increasing the utility of our Information Technology (IT) networks. Kathy Eaton and Dale Fabian have the lead.

Interagency leave policy. Create joint OR/WA leave protocols that will be shared with Washington. Basically we will describe how we are going to operate and coordinate between the agencies with the departmental differences in place (e.g. use the Agriculture Department's 2 hour leave policy as the norm). Shari Blakey, Kathy Eaton and Mark Colville have the lead.

Joint Fire and Aviation Management (FAM) reviews. Sent a letter to the National Interagency Fire Center (NIFC) executives requesting future reviews to be of the full organization, since this issue arose first from fire staffs in our field reviews. Asked for reciprocity in terms of each agency accepting the results of such reviews, thus saving the field a duplicative time burden. Lead is Ken Snell.

Fill the Off Highway Vehicle (OHV) specialist (vice: Ron Price) as a Service First position. Previously, the position was Service First; however, with Ron Price's retirement, the agreement ended on September 30, 2005 (agreement No. 04-IA-11060000-283). With an emphasis on travel management planning completion within the next four years for both agencies, there is an opportunity to provide greater coordination and consistency between agencies in this effort. The public often does not discern differences between agencies' land management. Maps, signing, education, and public involvement all could be greatly enhanced through a concerted coordinated effort. Accomplishment date is FY 2006 – spring or early summer; responsible official is Marti Marshall, Assistant Director, Recreation, Heritage, and Wilderness.

Interpretive Services and Tourism Specialist. We currently have a Service First position, Bonnie Lippitt, serving as Interpretive Services and Tourism specialist for both BLM and FS. Sharing this position has been advantageous for both agencies as information sharing, coordination, and agency contacts are totally integrated between the two agencies. The responsible official is Marti Marshall, Assistant Director, Recreation, Heritage, and Wilderness.

Develop a new Programmatic Agreement (PA) with the Washington State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) involving all Forests in the State of Washington and the BLM Spokane District. Region 6/Oregon State Office in coordination with Colville, Okanogan/Wenatchee, Mt. Baker/Snoqualmie, Gifford Pinchot, Umatilla, Olympic, and Columbia River Gorge NSA, and BLM Spokane District. The PA explicitly describes the pathway for agencies to conform with Section 106 consultation procedures with the State and Indian Tribes in a streamlined manner. Certain types of agency undertakings will be identified as not needing case-by-case review and certain classes of sites will also be identified as exempt from case-by-case review. A consistent process between the two agencies for addressing project reviews in conformance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act will provide a more consistent set of requirements for public land users and provide greater consistency between the two agencies in responding to the same legal requirements. Washington tribes will also benefit from the consistent approach to addressing tribal cultural issues in a consistent/coordinated manner. New draft is currently being written. Goal of adoption is January 1, 2007. The State/Regional Office is currently developing the initial draft for negotiation purposes among the various entities. The previous PA between the FS, Region 6, and Washington SHPO was adopted in 1995. The PA is in need of much updating and provides an excellent opportunity to include the BLM. The BLM currently has no agreement with the

Washington SHPO. State/Regional Office is providing coordination and acting as contact point with the Washington SHPO. The Heritage Program and all agency programs dealing with public land use – timber, range, lands, etc. The responsible official is Richard Hanes, Heritage Program Lead

Working Better with Partners. Continue to support and create an open partnership-friendly environment that encourages cross-program integration, enhances the agencies coordination with mutual partners, and aligns priority work for the agencies with that of partners. Work on the following key areas first: Recognition and incentives, e.g. CCS, seed money programs, Service First awards, success stories; Expand Core Team to include agency counterparts for grants and agreements, natural resources, and recreation; Layout integrated training delivery for collaboration – what is it; how is it done, grants and agreements, and volunteer management; and use corporate budget and work planning structures to clarify what “partnerships” mean to programs, including funding allocations, performance measures, and reporting. Two products are a letter and a guide to “who does what.” Responsible officials are Al Matecko, FS and Jody Weil, BLM.

Acquisition Management. As a result of collocation of facilities and enhanced working relationship between our agencies, we have increased the number of contracts and grants and agreements through which we share business. In some cases, we are transferring funds to enable employees of one agency to provide services to the other agency. In other instances, we are sharing costs of services which we procure externally. While the work is being done by other staffs, we share this information to show the extensive sharing that we see as we execute the agreements and contracts through which these services are provided. Responsible officials are Dale Fabian and Stephanie Coleman. Examples include the following among many, some of which may be reported as accomplishments by other program staffs:

- Zone Interagency Recreation Programs
- Share Fire Management Officer Position
- Wild horse Gathering
- Archeological Surveys
- Contract Inspector and Contracting Officers Representative (COR) services
- Site surveys for bridges
- Remote Sensing and Fire Weather Support
- Field support of water quality, fisheries and riparian monitoring
- Improving Elk Habitat
- Watershed road inventory
- Administrative Officer Services
- Fleet Manager, Transportation Services, fleet maintenance, and summer use of vehicles
- Property Management Officer Services
- Mailroom services and postage reimbursement
- Road and facilities maintenance
- Visual Information Services
- District Manager Details
- Soil Scientist Services
- Safety Services and Support

Interagency Map Reimbursement
Interagency engineering
Sharing of fire engines

Reimbursable Agreements. Streamline process for reimbursable agreements between agencies to improve organizational efficiencies. Target date is December 31, 2006. Affected staff areas include Budget, Acquisition, and Albuquerque Service Center. Responsible officials are Andy Smith, Ruth Voltz, and Dale Fabian.

Blue Mountain Acquisition Management Area. Contract to produce quantities of grass and forb seed for FS and BLM units located in the States of Oregon and Washington. This is an indefinite quantity, performance based service contract, spanning multiple years. This benefits the BLM in that they will not have to do their own native grass and forb seed production contract. This contract is not mandatory use for the BLM but allows them the flexibility to utilize the indefinite quantities type contract we created for their native grass and forb seed needs over the next five years. April 7, 2006 through April 7, 2011. Responsible official: Peggy Patten, Contracting Officer, and/or Karen Prudhomme, Contracting Officer's Representative.

Collocations Pending:

Baker City: Lease of space at Baker City, Oregon for Wallowa-Whitman National Forest Supervisor's Office, the Baker Ranger District, and the Baker City BLM District RA Office. Joint location of both agencies for sharing of resources will provide one stop service to public customers. This will be accomplished January 2009. Responsible officials are Earl Dierking, FS and Ted Davis, BLM. We have General Services Administration (GSA) delegation to handle the lease. At this time we have advised GSA that we are assuming authority based on GSA's general delegation of authority for non-metropolitan areas. This affects all occupancy staffs and the AQM leasing branch workload.

Klamath Falls: Lease of space at Klamath Falls, Oregon for the Klamath Falls Supervisor's Office, the Klamath Falls Ranger District of the Fremont-Winema National Forests and the BLM Detached RA for Klamath Falls. Joint location of both agencies for sharing of resources will provide one stop service to public customers. This will be accomplished by October, 2007. Responsible officials are Rich Kehr, Fremont-Winema National Forest and John Raby BLM.

Springfield: Lease of land and future lease of space for BLM Eugene District at Springfield, Oregon, Oregon National Guard. Joint location of BLM with planned FS space for sharing of resources to provide one stop service to public customers. This will be accomplished by October, 2008. Responsible officials are Susan Sepulveda, FS and Polly Shannon, BLM.

Salem BLM and Siuslaw NF

Salem BLM and Siuslaw NF lands adjoin in many areas of the Northwest Coast Range. Many of the management issues are similar. Successful implementation in these two areas would save tax payer dollars. Responsible officials are Brad Keller, Tillamook/Marys Peak; George Buckingham, Hebo District; Randy Gould, BLM Marys Peak; and Dan Hollenkamp, Salem BLM.

Tillamook BLM and Hebo Ranger District Collocation Site Evaluation: In 2006, Salem BLM and Siuslaw NF plan to do a site evaluation for the collocation of Tillamook RA and Hebo R.D. (IF FUNDING IS RECEIVED). A site evaluation for collocation would be the next step in looking at ways to implement Service First to a greater extent. If funding is allocated, this would take place before the end of the fiscal year. Performing the Tillamook/Hebo site evaluation is dependent on funding. If we do not receive adequate funding, the evaluation will not be done. Affected staff areas: Tillamook RA, Hebo RD.

Salem Safety Officer to perform Siuslaw/Willamette Safety pre-CASHE Review. Salem BLM's Safety Officer will conduct a pre-CASHE review for Siuslaw and Willamette National Forests. The pre-CASHE reviews will be completed by May 2006.

Alsea Basin Stewardship Contract. Salem BLM and Siuslaw NF are working together in the Alsea Basin to create Stewardship Contract opportunities. Salem BLM and Siuslaw NF have been working together to create Stewardship. In 2006, Siuslaw and Salem BLM are collaborating on the formation of the partnership and doing project planning. (The first actual project will take place in 2007-2008.) The Alsea Basin Stewardship Contract Partnership struggles with the difference in interpretation between the FS and BLM on the use of the Wyden authority with excess receipts to do work on private lands. The issue has already been raised to BLM's Oregon State Office and the FS Regional Office. It has also been sent back to both agencies' legal staff in Washington. Congressman Ron Wyden is aware of the issue as well.

Southwest Oregon

Medford Collocation. The FS administrative site known as the McAndrews Service Center was advertised and auctioned on line using the GSA real property auction process. On-line bidding began on March 21st and was concluded on May 5th. There was a single bidder. The sale contract was assigned to another purchaser and the FS is continuing to work with that bidder to close on the property. Final closing is anticipated in June of 2006. The bid was for \$3.5 million. These funds will be used to make office improvements at the BLM site to accommodate the FS. A contract for developing the design of the office addition was advertised by the FS and was awarded by the BLM in March, 2006. It is anticipated the design work will be finished during the summer followed by a contract for construction. If all goes well, construction could begin in late fall of 2006 with completion in the summer or fall of 2007. Ongoing, final completion FY 2007 with the Supervisor's Office moving in near the end of FY 2007 or early FY 2008. There will be a need for some funding beyond the sale amount for the McAndrews property. The regional office has provided about \$1.7 million for the construction phase in FY 2006. Until the final design and estimates are completed it will not be

known how much the project will cost and how much, if any, funding will be needed beyond the \$3.5 million generated by the McAndrews property. This type of project takes more time and attention than most would think going into it. It is imperative for the parties to have good working relationships and a unified commitment to the desired outcome. Employees will test the commitment regularly.

Refine Roseburg Service First Collocation Proposal. Update analysis and cost of Roseburg Service Collocation Proposal and present to Regional Office and State Office Executives. (This was completed and accomplished on March 10, 2006.) The goal of this effort is: to determine the feasibility of Roseburg BLM-FS collocation project based on funding, timing, updated staffing and budget information and phased construction options. The Roseburg BLM and Umpqua NF are seeking collocation opportunities. In January 2004 an A-E feasibility study was completed that evaluated the feasibility of constructing an addition to the existing BLM office. The study found that it was feasible, but with costs of \$18 Million in 2003 dollars escalating to \$24 Million by 2010. However, the scope of the collocation project has changed significantly since the 2004 study due to reductions in staffing levels for both agencies and considerations of other alternatives (e.g. 2010). Neither agency has a large enough Capital Improvement program for this level of investment. There are significant costs for collocating in Roseburg due to working with existing complex BLM site.

An updated analysis will be completed in FY 2006. Four phases of design and construction from FY 2009 to FY 2011. Seeking commitment of executives at Regional/ State level and Washington Office level to continue with Roseburg Collocation effort and seeking funding of the project. Project contact is John Sloan, Umpqua NF.

Expand Sharing of Skills Across Southwestern Oregon. Explore and potentially implement some shared positions that will serve multiple units across southwest Oregon. Examples include but may not be limited to Safety and Health Officer, Haz Mat Coordinator, Geotech, Botany, and Public Affairs Officer (PAO). These are some of the opportunities that were identified in the study that was conducted in the summer of 2005 to determine what types of positions, programs, or activities lend themselves to some type of sharing, zoning, etc. within the geographic area when it makes sense. Some preliminary work has been completed. In some cases it is a matter of waiting for an opportune time, such as when a position becomes vacant. In others there may be more aggressive action taken. Currently the Medford District and the Rogue River-Siskiyou NF are sharing a PAO team as a trial to see how this approach might work. This opportunity presented itself when the BLM PAO position opened up. The Coos Bay Haz Mat Coordinator has been performing some duties across the area on an "as available" basis. It will be incumbent on the unit managers to be in tune with the opportunities and to communicate frequently with their peers when they exist so the objectives can be met. The unit managers are responsible and will have to rely on their primary staff and Field Managers/District Rangers to surface opportunities when they appear. It can be acted on in the short term and needs to be a long term way of doing business. The opportunity exists to become more efficient in delivering programs whether it is Public Affairs or Grazing Management. This provides a model of management to the public that emphasizes effectiveness and efficiency. It should also increase capacity for accomplishing work on the ground. Responsible officials are the District Managers

for Coos Bay and Medford Districts and the Forest Supervisor for the Rogue River–Siskiyou National Forest.

Fire and Aviation Management. Medford and Coos Bay Districts, Rogue River–Siskiyou National Forest are conducting a study of the Fire and Aviation management program in southwest Oregon to identify efficiencies in fire management for the geographical area in order to provide more efficient program delivery. The government will benefit from potentially better management practices and more efficient use of equipment, funding, and human resources. The study should be completed by the summer of 2006. Depending on recommendations, implementation will probably be phased in over a period of time. Responsible officials are the District Managers for Coos Bay and Medford Districts and the Forest Supervisor for the Rogue River–Siskiyou NF.

Evaluate Further Expansion of the Service First Concept on the Coast. As a follow-up to the 2005 study about potential for sharing more in southwestern Oregon, the two Field Managers and two District Rangers for the coastal units were charged with exploring how to advance the Service First concept across their units. Their proposal will be drafted and presented to the unit managers for potential further action. If the objectives of Service First can be met on the coastal units it will bring a more seamless delivery of programs to the public. At the same time, the government may be able to become more effective and efficient with the same financial and human resources. The proposal will be drafted and presented in the spring with decisions being made some time later in the spring or summer. Responsible officials are the District Managers for Coos Bay and Medford Districts and the Forest Supervisor for the Rogue River–Siskiyou NF.

Eastern Washington

BLM Idaho Coeur d’Alene District & OR/WA Spokane District. The following efforts to share resources and/or extend duties of certain staffs to support both districts are underway:

GIS Coordination: The Coeur d’Alene District and Spokane District will share the Coeur d’Alene District’s Permanent Full Time (PFT) Supervisory GIS Specialist/GIS Coordinator (GS-301-12). Spokane District will provide the GIS Coordinator and his staff with office space and support.

IT Coordination: The districts have been testing the concept of sharing IT resources whereby IT staffs communicate to solve problems and resolve issues. On an “as need basis” Coeur d’Alene IT Specialists visit the Spokane Office to provide manual assistance to the Northrop Grumman contractor. Because the existing OR/WA Northrop Grumman IT contract does not allow contractors to perform onsite tasks outside the States of Oregon and Washington the Spokane Office IT contractor is prevented from providing onsite assistance in Idaho. When Coeur d’Alene staff provide services to the Spokane District they charge their time to Spokane District organizational and budget codes.

Engineering: Opportunities abound in the area of contract administration as Spokane District Office has two Level 3 Construction COR’s; sharing of expensive and sophisticated

survey equipment and expertise; providing cross training through cooperative site specific project management; career development and additional variety in the day-to-day activities for our engineering staffs. Next steps are for each district to review and finalize their engineering workloads to determine needs, opportunities and priorities for sharing. Later, engineers will convene to identify specific projects where collaboration and sharing of resources can be tested.

Law Enforcement: Agreements in place between the Coeur d'Alene and Spokane Districts allow our Law Enforcement Rangers to assist each other without prior notification of their respective State Offices or Special-Agent-in-Charge when conducting normal law enforcement duties. These duties can vary from delivering citations and subpoenas for each other to backing up each other when contacting suspects and other efforts related to finding suspects and vehicles.

Planning, NEPA & Public Affairs: Coeur d'Alene District is in the process of finalizing its Resource Management Plan (RMP) and wrapping up its planning effort just as the Spokane District is considering revising its RMP. Discussing the possibility of sharing time and expertise as needed to assist Spokane.

Sharing Fleet: Fleet Managers for Coeur d'Alene and Spokane Districts will meet to discuss opportunities to more efficiently utilize vehicles including looking at the existing inventory to determine if there are "specialty vehicles" that could be shared. Target date to begin discussion April 2006.

Managing for Excellence & Strategic Management of Human Capital: Coeur d'Alene and Spokane District Managers have agreed to notify each other of vacancies on their respective units prior to advertising and filling them. The goal is to look for career advancement and placement opportunities for employees. The District Managers also agreed to include/request involvement of each other's staff when forming "hiring selection panels" during the hiring process as appropriate to increase future opportunities for partnerships.

Colville National Forest (CNF) & Spokane District efforts

Service First Safety Officer: The CNF and Spokane District will share the CNF's PFT Safety Officer Position. The target date to begin is February 27, 2006. Supervised by Rick Brazell CNF Forest Supervisor, but will have Spokane District Office as official duty station.

Service First Partnership Coordinator: The CNF and Spokane District share the CNF's Partnership Coordinator located in the Spokane District Office.

Service First/Interagency Sale of Special Forest Products Permits & Maps: The Spokane District Office sells United State Department of Agriculture FS Special Forest Products Permits and maps and the CNF Supervisors Office sells Spokane District maps.

Managing for Excellence & Strategic Management of Human Capital: The CNF Forest Supervisor and Spokane District Manager have agreed to notify each other of vacancies

on their respective units prior to advertising and filling them. The goal is to look for career advancement and placement opportunities for employees.

Potential Service First Projects for FY 2006 & 2007: The CNF is currently advertising for a Public Affairs Specialist GS-1035-11/12. Once an individual is hired discussions will commence on additional opportunities for sharing resources and skills related to public affairs, partnership and volunteer coordination, environment education, etc. Under discussion is an offer by the CNF to represent the Spokane District at Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) meetings for the relicensing of Boundary Dam. The CNF will soon be advertising a Range Management Specialist GS-0454-11 and a Range Technician GS-0455-5/7. Once these individual are hired discussions will commence on additional opportunities for sharing resources and skills related range, fire and noxious weed management. Future opportunities will be explored in regards to zoning/sharing civil engineering skills. With retirements eminent on both units it appears that zoning engineering functions with the Spokane District, FS on both the Colville and Okanogan/Wenatchee National Forests and the Coeur d'Alene District may become viable.

USDI National Park Service & Spokane District projects

Lake Roosevelt Cleanup and Restoration Project: The Manager of the Lake Roosevelt Cleanup and Restoration Project is co-located in the Spokane District Office as of January 23, 2006. The Spokane District is providing office space, telephone, administrative support and use of GSA vehicle pool. Spokane District Associate District Manager (ADM) and SARCE Skills staff will provide technical support to the project manager and ADM is serving as a member of the Lake Roosevelt Case Management Team. USDI's Central HazMat will provide funding to BLM for the District's involvement as characterized above. A Service First (BLM and NPS) Administrative Support Assistant GS-0303-6 term position will be advertised. The Service First admin position will provide fiscal accounting services, arrange meetings and travel, manage project files and records, and provide general support to the NPS project manager. Funding is provided 50% by Central HazMat and 50% Spokane District.

Vale District, Wallowa Whitman and Umatilla National Forests

Tribal Liaison with Nez Perce Tribe: This is a multiple year project where both the BLM and USFS (Wallowa Whitman and Umatilla National Forest) will cooperatively fund two liaison positions (federal employees) to work with the Nez Perce Tribe and Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation (CTUIR). This liaison work is essential for our agencies to communicate project work and resolve potential project issues with these Tribes. Cooperatively funding these two liaison positions allows for consistency in communications and efficiencies by utilizing the same federal employees working with the Tribes. Typically there would be 3 federal employees, one from each agency, working with the two Tribes. This will be completed by September, 2006. The responsible officials are Steven A. Ellis and Dave Henderson.

Develop an MOU. Continue to work on finalizing the MOU between Wallowa Whitman National Forest and Vale District. This MOU will be used to provide the umbrella agreement for

sharing employees, office space and equipment and identifying roles and responsibilities for each entity. This MOU will provide the process and framework on how the two agencies will work together to gain efficiencies and save money. This will be completed by September, 2006. The responsible officials are Steven A. Ellis and Dave Henderson.

OHV Coordination. This is a multiple year project where both the BLM and USFS will continue coordinating with OHV issues and concerns. BLM and USFS recreation staffs and managers met in September, 2005 to discuss issues and concerns in each agency. We will continue to work closely together to complete Travel Management Plans (including OHV management) to identify which roads to keep our systems and which to close. The Wallow Whitman National Forest (WWNF) is further along in this endeavor and there may be opportunities to learn from the WWNF in this process (do's and don'ts). We would continue to strive to involve other OHV committees (like the Oregon Parks and Recreation ATV Allocation Committee) and OHV groups to assist with this process. Over the next five years our agencies will strive to have OHV coordination meetings and also involve the Idaho BLM and USFS since many of the recreational users come from Idaho. The OHV coordination will continue to help both agencies focus on a recreational activity that continues to have negative impact public lands. Increased communications among staffs and jointly addressing concerns will help us work smarter and arrive at consistency in dealing with OHV problems. Contacts with Idaho BLM and USFS will occur. Managers will make contacts in Idaho (BLM & USFS) to coordinate a FY07 meeting with agency recreational staffs, OHV groups and committees with the intent of forming a task group to guide the coordination of dealing with OHV issues and concerns at a broader scale. This will be completed by September, 2006. The responsible officials are Steven A. Ellis and Dave Henderson.

Vegetation Treatments to improve Forest Health. This is a multiple year project where both the BLM and USFS will continue coordinating with vegetation treatment projects to improve forest health and reduce fuel loads. BLM and USFS timber staffs will continue to work closely on the Sumpter Stewardship and Stices Gulch projects. Both agencies staffs are coordinating efforts to provide consistency in the vegetative treatments to reduce fuel loads and improve forest health. This will be completed by September, 2006. The responsible officials are Steven A. Ellis and Dave Henderson.

Burns District and the Malheur NF

These units have several ongoing SERVICE FIRST arrangements in place, Cost Reimbursement Agreements for shared personnel, services, and facilities, and FS use of BLM horse corrals, the pending collocated facility between the Burns District, BLM and the Emigrant Creek RD, Malheur NF will consume a major portion of our time over the next 18 months. The responsible officials for these actions will be, Dana Shuford, Roger Williams, Melissa Towers, Carolyn Freeborn, and Margaret Bailey

Central South Oregon

They are continuing the joint fire planning for fire use and fuels treatments to preposition lines north of the Tool Box to Highway 20 west to the forest edge prior to 2006 season. Planning has been accomplished in the COFMS area but vacancies slowed Lakeview BLM and Fremont-Winema NF progress on this project. Central Oregon Fire Management Services, Geoff Babb, has the lead.

Use of Facility for Placement of pre-fabricated building at the Lakeview Interagency Fire Center. An MOU has been signed between the Lakeview District BLM and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (F&WS) that allows the F&WS to place a metal pre-fabricated office at the Lakeview Interagency Fire Center. This collocation will improve efficiency in achieving ecosystem management goals, coordination and sharing of services to achieve cost savings. It will also increase our customer service capabilities. 2006.

Klamath Falls Collocation Lease. Collocate the Klamath Falls Office (former HQ), Klamath Ranger District and Klamath Falls Resource Area of Lakeview District BLM into one office. Several National Park Service employees will also be located in this facility. Provide for one stop shopping to our public lands customer and increase efficiencies resulting in reduced costs. Some of the efficiencies gained will be shared administrative staff, office equipment, utilities and space. Spring of 2008. Timely Contract Officer services will affect the success of the project. Responsible official: Jon Raby and Rich Kehr.

Off Highway Vehicle Road and Trail Inventory. Lakeview District BLM and the Fremont-Winema NFs are addressing the issue of travel management jointly in order to provide coordinated and seamless travel management across the landscape. The BLM and Forest received a Grant from the Oregon ATV Grant program to conduct OHV Roads and Trails Inventory. The BLM and Forest will conduct route inventory jointly. NEPA planning will be done separately under each agency's rules. Implementation and signing on the ground will be done jointly. This effort will provide coordinated travel management for the public across BLM and FS lands in south central Oregon. Maps and signing will be consistent. Travel opportunities will be coordinated so that management doesn't abruptly change as one crosses land management boundaries. Sharing resources and skills by the agencies should improve cost effectiveness for inventory and implementation. April 2009. Responsible official: Rich Kehr and Scott Senter.

Facilities engineering services. The FS provides facilities engineering services in the form of design and construction contract administration. Skill sharing reduces costs for facilities engineering services. This was started in FY 05 and continues through FY 06 under an interagency agreement. Future skill sharing depends on the outcome of BLM reorganization. It was difficult getting the interagency agreement in place. Responsible official: Rich Kehr.