

Klamath Falls Resource Area Planning Update Fall 2010

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Planning Update General Information – This Planning Update provides information about activities proposed on the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Klamath Falls Resource Area (KFRA). The table included provides the location and brief description of most activities proposed within the Resource Area. (Refer to the map following the table.) Additional information can be obtained from the contact person listed in the project descriptions or the Resource Area Planner. As certain projects reach stages for public involvement, news releases and public notices may be published in the local Klamath Falls newspaper, *The Herald and News*.

Klamath Falls Resource Area Resource Management Plan Update – Since June 1995 the Klamath Falls Resource Area has been managing most lands under the direction of the Klamath Falls Resource Area Resource Management Plan (RMP). In addition, acquired lands at the Wood River Wetland have been managed under the Klamath Falls Resource Area Upper Klamath Basin and Wood River Wetland Record of Decision and Resource Management Plan (Wood River RMP) since February 1996.

In December 2008, the BLM issued six Records of Decision (RODs) for the Resource Management Plans (RMPs) that were developed under the Western Oregon Plan Revisions. On July 16, 2009 the U.S. Department of the Interior, withdrew the Records of Decision (2008 RODs) for the Western Oregon Plan Revisions and directed the BLM to implement actions in conformance with the resource management plans for western Oregon that were in place prior to December 30, 2008. These Planning Updates will continue to identify projects being considered for implementation that are designed to comply with the land use allocations, management direction, and objectives of the 1995 and 1996 RMPs.

If you have any questions on this update or recommendations for improvement, please notify us in person or call (541) 883-6916. The information contained in this Planning Update is also available on our website at: <http://www.blm.gov/or/districts/lakeview/plans/>. In order to reduce printing costs, please contact us if you wish to be removed from the mailing list.

Sincerely,

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SCHEDULE OF PROPOSED PROJECTS						
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PROJECT TITLE & DESCRIPTION	LOCATION	MAP REF. #	STATUS OF ANALYSIS	ANALYSIS COMPLETION	PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION	CONTACT
CX = Categorical Exclusion, DNA = Determination of NEPA Adequacy, EA = Environmental Assessment, EIS = Environmental Impact Statement, DR = Decision Record						
Timber Management – New Projects						
Adobe West Timber Sale DR to the South Gerber Forest Health Treatments EA (#OR-014-04-06)	T41S, R14½E, Sections 16, 21, 22	#10	DR in progress	FY 2010	FY 2011	Shane Durant
Dog Hollow and Lower Midway Firewood Cutting Areas	Gerber Block	#14	CX in progress	FY 2010	FY 2010-2015	Shane Durant
Timber Management – Recent Decisions						
Buck Mountain Plantation Treatments DR to the Cold Onion EA (#OR-014-08-01)	T39S, R5E, Sec. 13 T39S, R6E, Secs. 18-20	#21	DR completed	7/17/2010	FY 2010	Shane Durant
Union Springs Timber Sale DR to the Cold Onion EA (#OR-014-08-01)	T39S, R5E, Secs 11, 13 T39S, R6E, Secs 18-20	#21	DR completed	8/17/10	FY 2010	Shane Durant
Range Management – New Projects						
North Horsefly Allotment Fence EA	North Horsefly Allotment	#27	EA completed	7/16/10	FY 2010	Dana Eckard
Ketcham Allotment Fence Replacement	Ketcham Allotment	#5	EA completed	9/3/10	FY 2010	Dana Eckard
Range Management – Recent Decisions						
North Horsefly Allotment Fence DR	North Horsefly Allotment	#27	DR completed	8/5/10	FY 2010	Dana Eckard
Recreation – New Projects						
Swan Lake Rim Trail Construction	Swan Lake Rim	#7	EA in progress	FY 2010	FY 2011	Grant Weidenbach
Hydrology/Fisheries – New Projects						
Wood River Canal Water Control Structure – Oregon spotted frog habitat enhancement	Wood River Wetland	#8	CX in progress	FY 2010	FY 2011	Rob Roninger
Hydrology/Fisheries – Recent Determinations						
Installation of Wood River Elevation Benchmarks	Wood River Wetland	#8	CX completed	9/15/10	FY 2010	Andy Hamilton
Wood River Wetland Bullfrog Control	Wood River Wetland	#8	CX completed	8/9/10	FY 2010	Rob Roninger
Wildlife – New Projects						
Southwest Gerber Habitat Restoration – Analysis of proposed vegetation treatments on over 10,000 acres of juniper woodland.	Gerber Block	#15	EA in progress	FY 2010	FY 2011	Steve Hayner
Lands/Realty – New Projects						
New Cingular Cellular Tower Site	T. 39S., R11 E., Section 19	#3	EA in progress	FY 2010	FY 2010	Don Hoffheins
Yainax Butte Communication Site EA	T.37S., R.13E., Sec. 26	#13	EA in progress	FY 2010	FY 2010	Don Hoffheins
Soda Mountain Road ROW Renewal	T40S, R10E, Sec 3-5,10,15	#20	CX in progress	FY 2010	FY 2010	Deb Boudreau
Timber Haul Road Use ROW – OR 66380	Gerber Block	None	CX in progress	FY 2010	FY 2010	Deb Boudreau

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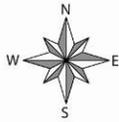
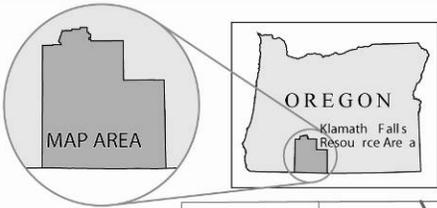
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Lands/Realty – Recent Determinations						
<u>Pacific Power Powerline ROW Renewal (OR 06403)</u>	T37S, R14E, Sec 4	#27	CX completed	8/4/10	FY 2010	Deb Boudreau
<u>Pacific Power Access Road ROW Renewal (OR 20608)</u>	T40S, R6E, Sec 34	#19	CX completed	8/4/10	FY 2010	Deb Boudreau
<u>Pacific Power Powerline ROW Renewal (OR 25903)</u>	T41S, R5E, Sec 1	#18	CX completed	8/4/10	FY 2010	Deb Boudreau
<u>AT&T/California Oregon Broadcasting Facility Upgrade</u>	Stukel Mountain	#16	CX completed	8/4/10	FY 2010	Deb Boudreau
<u>Ruby Pipeline Project, Proposed Natural Gas Pipeline DNA</u>	Eastern Portion of South Langell Valley	None	DNA completed	7/9/10	FY 2010	Don Hoffheins
<u>Willow Valley Road Use ROW – OR 66484</u>	Willow Valley Road	#10	CX completed	9/28/10	FY 2010	Deb Boudreau
Interdisciplinary – Landscape Level Analysis						
Wildgal-Dixie Landscape Analysis – Analysis of several proposed treatments (roads, vegetation, prescribed burning, etc.).	Southwest corner of the Resource Area	#11	Initial scoping complete. EA is on hold.	FY 2011	FY 2010-2015	Shawna Dao
Keno Landscape EA – Analysis of several proposed treatments (plantation thinning, prescribed burning, etc.).	South of Hwy 66 near the town of Keno, Oregon	#22	Scoping and analysis to begin	FY 2011	FY 2011-2016	Shane Durant

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Rangeland Health Standards Assessments – in progress						
These assessments compare the monitoring information collected against the five Standards for Rangeland Health and propose management changes if current grazing use is not meeting the Standards, or not making significant improvement towards meeting them. Changes are implemented through the grazing decision or agreement process.						
Ketcham Allotment (#0835)	East of Klamath Falls	#5	None Known	Assessment in progress	FY 2011	Dana Eckard
Windy Ridge Allotment (#0838)	East of Klamath Falls	#5	None Known	Assessment in progress	FY 2011	Dana Eckard
Marshall Allotment (#0841)	East of Klamath Falls	#1	None Known	Assessment in progress	FY 2011	Dana Eckard
Bryant-Lyon Allotment (#0840)	East of Malin	#17	None Known	Assessment in progress	FY 2011	Dana Eckard
Rajnus Bros. Allotment (#0849)	Southeast of Klamath Falls	#29	None Known	Assessment in progress	FY 2011	Dana Eckard
Wilkinson Allotment (#0850)	East of Klamath Falls	#3	None Known	Assessment in progress	FY 2012	Dana Eckard
Rangeland Health Standards Assessments – completed in FY 2010						
7C Allotment (#853)	Northeast of Bly	#12	None Known	Assessment completed	FY 2010	Dana Eckard
Barnwell Allotment (#0807)	East of Klamath Falls	#2	None Known	Assessment completed	FY 2010	Dana Eckard
Horton Allotment (#0829)	East of Klamath Falls	#4	None Known	Assessment completed	FY 2010	Dana Eckard

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Yearly Scheduled Events - 2010				
Event/Activity	Date	Location	Contact(s)	# of Participants (Employees/Public*)
Wilderness & Horse Packing Clinic	April 30-May 2	Klamath County Fairgrounds	Scott Senter	7/2000
International Migratory Bird Day	May 8	Veteran's Memorial Park	Steve Hayner	7/700
RAP Camp	June 14-18	Camp Esther Applegate	Scott Senter	8/57
Klamath County Fair	August 5-8	Klamath County Fairgrounds	Scott Senter	8/5000
Sixth Grade Forestry Tour	September 21-23	Clover Creek Educational Area	Sarah Diehr	8/782
National Public Lands Day	September 25	Gerber Potholes	Scott Senter	11/14

*Numbers of public participants for large events are estimates.



LEGEND

-  Project Location
-  U.S. Highway
-  State Highway
-  BLM Administered Land



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