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KLAMATH FALLS RESOURCE AREA PLANNING UPDATE - Fall 2011

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 planning activities 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 from Don Hoffheins at (541) 883-6916. 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*.

Collaborative Planning Process – The KFRA staff are revising processes to include a more collaborative approach for project planning and public involvement. We are looking to expand our public involvement beyond what we have traditionally done in the past for local projects. Although we can't turn around the planning process immediately, we are making step-wise improvements for each project. Eventually we would even like to develop a collaborative planning group that assists us with our planning of projects from the very start. If you are interested in being on such a group, please contact Don Hoffheins.

Klamath Falls Resource Management Plan Update – 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, administratively 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. On March 31, 2011, the United States District Court for the District of Columbia vacated and remanded the administrative withdrawal of the 2008 Records of Decision and Resource Management Plans (Douglas Timber Operators et al. v. Salazar).

The Klamath Falls Resource Area will design new projects to conform to the management objectives, land use allocations, and management direction set out in the 2008 ROD and RMP. However, due to continuing uncertainty regarding planning in western Oregon, we will design projects so that they are not inconsistent with the 1995 Klamath Falls Resource Area RMP. As a result, some new projects may include some design features not mentioned specifically in the 2008 ROD and RMP. Nonetheless, these projects will be consistent with the goals and objectives in the 2008 ROD and RMP.

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

Sincerely,

/s/ *Donald J. Holmstrom*

Manager, Klamath Falls Resource Area

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 – Ongoing Analysis						
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 2012	FY 2012	Shane Durant
Dog Hollow and Lower Midway Firewood Cutting Areas	Gerber Block	14	CX in progress	FY 2012	FY 2012-2015	Shane Durant
Timber Management – Recent Decisions						
Wildgal-Dixie Timber Sale	SW corner Resource Area	11	DR complete	8/17/11	FY 2012-2015	Shawna Dao
Replacement Gal Timber Sale - Decision Record #2 For Spencer Creek Treatments EA	T.38S,R.6E,Sec19,29	6	DR complete	8/17/11	FY 2012-2015	Shane Durant
Lorella/Bryant Juniper Bough Cutting	T39S,12E; T41.S, R13E	4	CX Complete	8/22/11	FY 2011-12	Shane Durant
Horton Rim Unit 1 Handcutting	T. 39S R. 11 ½ E Sec. 3, 4	2	DNA complete	9/22/11	FY 2012	Matt Broyles
Range Management – Recent Decisions						
Ketcham Allotment Fence DR	Ketcham Allotment	5	Decision made	10/4/10	FY 2011	Dana Eckard
Swede Cabin Lease transfer	Swede Cabin Allotment	9	DNA Complete	3/15/11	FY 2011	Dana Eckard
Drew Lease transfer	Drew Allotment	12	DNA Complete	3/15/11	FY 2011	Dana Eckard
Horton Permit renewal	Horton Allotment	13	DNA Complete	3/15/11	FY 2011	Dana Eckard
North Horsefly Lease transfer	North Horsefly Allotment	8	DNA Complete	3/29/11	FY 2011	Dana Eckard
Willow Valley & Bear Valley Allotment transfers	Willow Valley & Bear Valley Allotment	15	CX Complete	3/29/11	FY 2011	Dana Eckard
Jespersen Lease Transfer CX	Jespersen Allotment	16	CX Complete	4/25/11	FY 2011	Dana Eckard
Swan Lake Rim Allotment Lease transfer	Swan Lake Rim Allotment	7	CX Complete	4/25/11	FY 2011	Dana Eckard
North Horsefly Cattleguards	North Horsefly Allotment	8	CX Complete	6/20/11	FY 2011	Dana Eckard
Dry Prairie and Timber Hill Reservoir Fencing	Dry Prairie and Timber Hill Allotments	30	CX Complete	8/8/11	FY 2011-2012	Dana Eckard
Hydrology/Fisheries – Completed Analysis						
Klamath River Gravel Augmentation/ Bypass Barrier Removal	Klamath River	18	EA Complete	8/28/11	FY 2012-2019	Andy Hamilton
Hydrology/Fisheries – Recent Decision						
Wood River Canal Water Control Structure Maintenance/Replacement	Wood River Wetland	19	CX Complete	9/30/11	FY 2012	Rob Roninger
Wildlife – Ongoing Analysis						
Southwest Gerber Habitat Restoration – Analysis of proposed vegetation treatments on over 10,000 acres of juniper woodland.	Gerber Block	15	EA in progress	FY 2012	FY 2012	Don Hoffheins
Vegetation Treatment EA	Resource Area wide	None	EA in progress	FY 2012	FY 2012	Don Hoffheins
Recreation – Ongoing Analysis						
Swan Lake Rim Trail Construction	Swan Lake Rim	7	EA in progress	FY 2012	FY 2012	Grant Weidenbach

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Lands/Realty – New and Ongoing Analysis						
JWTR Timber Haul Road Use ROW – Gerber OR 66393	Gerber Block	None	CX in progress	FY 2012	FY 2012	Deb Boudreau
US Cellular Road ROW Chase Mtn. – OR 66793	Chase Mtn.	23	CX in progress	FY 2012	FY 2012	Deb Boudreau
Ruby Pipeline Grounding Bed DNA	T. 40S., R. 14.5E, Sec 19	15	DNA in progress	FY 2012	FY 2012	Don Hoffheins
Lands/Realty – Recent Determinations or Analysis Completed						
Ruby Pipeline Klamath County Reroute DNA	T. 41 S., R. 14 & 14.5 E	15	DNA Complete	2/16/11	FY 2011	Don Hoffheins
JWTR Timber Haul Road Use ROW – Bryant OR 66380	Bryant Mtn. area	17	CX Complete	5/25/11	FY 2011	Deb Boudreau
PacificPower/Ruby Pipeline PowerPole move	Gerber Block, Ruby Pipeline, MP 658 .8	10	CX Complete	5/9/11	FY 2011	Don Hoffheins
Ruby Pipeline Rock Disposal	T41S-R14E Sec. 5, T41S-R14.5E Sec. 22	10 & 25	CX Complete	6/27/11	FY 2011	Don Hoffheins
PacificPower Buck Butte ORE 11940	T.40E, R12E., Sec 20	24	CX Complete	7/15/11	FY 2011	Deb Boudreau
Soda Mountain Broadcasting Road ROW Renewal	T40S, R10E, Sec 3-5,10,15	20	CX Complete	7/25/11	FY 2011	Deb Boudreau
New Cingular/ AT&T Cellular Tower Site	T. 39S., R11 E., Section 19	3	EA Completed	7/26/11	FY 2012	Don Hoffheins
PacificPower Powerline Renewal Topsy area OR1130	T.40E, R7E., Sec 5	26	CX Complete	7/27/11	FY 2011	Deb Boudreau
Pacific Power Overhead Powerline Renewal OR23839	Horton Rim, T39S, R11 1/2E, Sec 17	3	CX Complete	8/30/11	FY 2011	Deb Boudreau
California-Oregon Broadcasting Comm Site renewal OR 9848	Hamaker Mountain	23	CX Complete	9/2/11	FY 2011	Deb Boudreau
Pacific Power ROW Renewal OR 46964	Malin area, T40S, R12E, Sec 27, W2NE	27	CX Complete	9/28/11	FY 2011	Deb Boudreau
Pacific Power Transmission Line (Willow Valley Rd) OR66677	Gerber Block along Willow Valley Road	15	CX Complete	9/28/11	FY 2011	Deb Boudreau
FHWA Pit transfer	T. 38S,R.11E,Sec 22	21	CX not needed	9/28/11	FY 2012	Deb Boudreau
Facilities/Roads – Recent Determinations						
Round Valley Gates CX (Install gate for existing closure)	Gerber area-Round Valley	14	CX Complete	10/25/10	FY 2011	Matt Broyles
Winter Range Gates replacement	T41S, R14E,Sec 8, 12,17,18; T41S,R12E,Sec 19	28	CX Complete	9/27/11	FY 2011-2012	Matt Broyles
Interdisciplinary – Ongoing Landscape Level Analysis						
Lost Analysis EA - several proposed treatments (timber harvest, thinning, prescribed burning, recreation development, etc.).	Spencer Creek drainage	6	EA Scoping complete; analysis in progress	FY 2012	FY 2012	Sarah Diehr
Keno Landscape EA – Analysis of several proposed treatments (plantation thinning, prescribed burning, etc.).	South of Hwy 66 near the town of Keno, Oregon	22	EA Scoping and analysis to begin	FY 2012	FY 2012-2016	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.						
Bryant-Lyon Allotment (#0840)	East of Malin	17	None Known	Assessment in progress	FY 2012	Dana Eckard
Rajnus Bros. Allotment (#0849)	Southeast of Klamath Falls	29	None Known	Assessment in progress	FY 2012	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 2011						
Ketcham Allotment (#0835)	East of Klamath Falls	5	None Known	Assessment Completed	FY 2011	Dana Eckard
Windy Ridge Allotment (#0838)	East of Klamath Falls	5	None Known	Assessment Completed	FY 2011	Dana Eckard
Marshall Allotment (#0841)	East of Klamath Falls	1	None Known	Assessment Completed	FY 2011	Dana Eckard

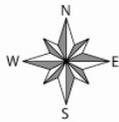
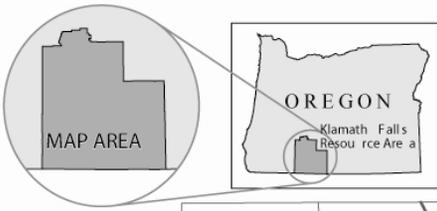
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Yearly Scheduled Events - 2011

Event/Activity	Date	Location	Contact(s)	# of Participants (Employees/Public*)
Wilderness & Horse Packing Clinic	April 30-May 2	Klamath County Fairgrounds	Grant Weidenbach	10 / 5000*
International Migratory Bird Day	May 8	Veteran's Memorial Park	Steve Hayner	5 / 100
RAP Camp	June 14-18	Camp Esther Applegate	Grant Weidenbach	6 / 80
Klamath County Fair	August 5-8	Klamath County Fairgrounds	Grant Weidenbach	10 / 5000*
Sixth Grade Forestry Tour	September 21-23	Clover Creek Educational Area	Sarah Diehr	7 / 667

*Numbers of public participants for large events are estimates.



LEGEND

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



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