

PILOT THOMPSON PROJECT PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE

February 27, 2013

5-7 PM

Applegate School

Meeting called by: Applegate Partnership, Southern Oregon Forest Restoration Collaborative, and BLM

Type of meeting: Information Exchange

AGENDA ITEMS

Purpose:

- To share how the key themes or areas of concern that were expressed during scoping have been addressed by the BLM.
- To provide an opportunity for folks to ask questions regarding the content and/or analysis in the Pilot Thompson Environmental Assessment.

Topic	Presenter	Time allotted
• Introduction, Welcome (Field Trip on March 5)	Jack Shipley/John Gerritsma	5 min
• Briefly Address Pilot Joe "treegate"	John Gerritsma	5 min
• Introduce Multi-Party Monitoring Group	Gwyn Myer	5 min
• How Key Issues have been addressed	John Gerritsma	15 min
• Question & Answer time (break out into groups by topic)	-	Remainder of Meeting

OTHER INFORMATION

Special notes: Hand-outs are available at the back of the room. They include:
Pilot Thompson Project Environmental Assessment
Productive Harmony Guidelines (Southern Oregon Small Diameter Collaborative),
Applying Restoration Principles on the BLM O&C Forests in Southwest Oregon

Information is also available on the pilot website including:

<http://www.blm.gov/or/districts/medford/forestrypilot/>

Sign-up sheets are available in the back of the room for the upcoming field trip on March 5th, 2013, and for person's wishing to be kept informed on the project via mail and/or email.

Project Timeline

February 2013	Publish Environmental Assessment available for public response /review
March 5 2013	Public field trip and review of project tree marking
April 10 2013 *	Decision to be made (Record of Decision and Finding of No Significant Impact)
May 23 2013 *	Advertise contracts to implement 2013 Pilot project

* Tentative dates - subject to change (sign-up in back to stay informed of changes via email or go the <http://www.blm.gov/or/districts/medford/forestrypilot/>)

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- John Gerritsma, BLM, Ashland Resource Area Field Manager by email at: John_Gerritsma@blm.gov or by phone at: 541-618-2438
- Stephanie Kelleher, BLM, for Planning/NEPA information, by email at: skellehe@blm.gov or by phone at: 541-618-2205

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Multi-Party Monitoring Team Objectives and Indicators

Objective 1: <i>Increase forest ecosystem resistance and resilience</i>	Objective 2: <i>Increase spatial heterogeneity to benefit biodiversity and species of concern at the stand and landscape scale</i>	Objective 3: <i>Conserve and improve northern spotted owl (NRF) habitat through LSEA (late-successional emphasis area) design</i>	Objective 4: <i>Generate jobs and support regional manufacturing infrastructure</i>	Objective 5: <i>Gauge public support for active management in federal forests</i>
Indicators: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Fire behavior ▪ Stand density ▪ Tree vigor ▪ Mean diameter ▪ Composition of tree and understory diversity 	Indicators: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Canopy cover ▪ Stand level skips and gaps ▪ Stand level structural complexity ▪ Seral stage composition at landscape scale ▪ Snag and down woody material abundance ▪ Bird species composition 	Indicators: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Fire behavior in LSEA's ▪ Percentage of NRF, dispersal, and unsuitable habitat ▪ Spotted Owl reproduction and pattern of use 	Indicators: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Jobs created or maintained ▪ Board feet and ton weight of material harvested ▪ Market utilization by product category 	Indicators: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Awareness and support of engaged public ▪ Success of community outreach and engagement ▪ Scoping and EA comments

This table can also be found in the Pilot Thompson EA on pg. 2-47.