



Fwd: Further comments and a General Observation -- about the BLM's Trail Cr. Forest Mgt. Project... Attention Jean Williams and Jon Raby

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To: The Butte Falls Resource Area Personnel proposing the Trail Creek Forest Management Project in the Bureau of Land Management's Office located at 3040 Biddle Road Medford, OR 97504

Dear Butte Falls Resource Area Personnel of the Medford District BLM (Attention Jean Williams and Jon Raby):

The following is a **General Observation** about the (your) proposed "**Trail Creek Forest Management Project**" outlined at your web page of <http://www.blm.gov/or/districts/medford/plans/trail/index.php>. That web page states, among several other things, you are "proposing forest management and watershed restoration activities in the Trail Creek watershed." (The boldened, italicized, and underlined formatting of the word "watershed" is for emphasis.)

However, there is a missing word in the Project's title. It is the word "**Watershed**," and it is a very important word! That is because the Project concerns a **WATERSHED!** I can't emphasize that enough!

Therefore, I suggest you insert the word "watershed" in the Project's title so it reads as: "**Trail Creek Watershed Forest Management Project**."

One of the Project's objectives listed in the March 29, 2013 scoping document is to:

"Restore ecological characteristics and sustainable conditions in the forests and landscapes in the watershed."

Well, that statement implies, but it doesn't say so explicitly, that includes restoration of summer time water production of the "watershed," but there is very little in the scoping document (except by incidental reference) to watershed water production. In fact, I believe your proposal will further diminish the late summertime water production capability of the Trail Creek watershed, if that is at all possible.

As I have pointed out in previous messages to you, the PRIMARY NEED AND DEFICIENCY of the watershed is its almost complete lack of late summertime production of water quantity. "**Water quantity** comes before **water quality!**" You cannot have water quality, without first having water quantity, and THAT is the main deficiency of the Trail Creek watershed -- the late summertime production of water quantity.

And, in addition to that, it all comes down to, yes, you guessed it, what else? -- the FISH! (and, of course, the other wildlife of the watershed.)

My General Observation:

The principle subject of the BLM's Trail Creek Forest Management Project is the production of "TIMBER!"

How ironic it is, that the Project's principle focus of attention is timber production, instead of the watershed's production of water.

Remember: Your proposal is NOT about a "**timbershed.**" It should be about a watershed!

"Sincerely and honestly," (And I mean it.)

