

Roseburg District BLM Planning Update



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Dear Citizen:

The Quarterly Planning Update is published with the intent of providing current information about discretionary management actions being undertaken, specific projects and future events planned on the Roseburg District of the Bureau of Land Management (BLM).

With publication of a Notice of Intent in the Federal Register, on March 9, 2012, the BLM began the process of revising resource management plans for the Salem, Eugene, Roseburg, Coos Bay, and Medford Districts, and the Klamath Falls Resource Area of the Lakeview District. Public scoping meetings were held during May of 2012. Completion of this planning effort is anticipated by June 30, 2015. Additional information on this planning effort may be obtained at <http://www.blm.gov/or/plans/rmpswesternoregon/>.

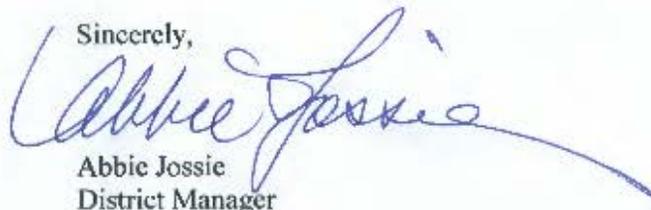
The Roseburg District continues work on the Vegetation Management Activities Using Herbicides Environmental Assessment. Additional information may be found at <http://www.blm.gov/or/districts/roseburg/plans/vegea.php>

The Roseburg and Medford BLM Districts are in the process of conducting emergency stabilization and rehabilitation on areas severely burned by the Douglas Complex wildfires. The two districts have formed a team to manage the Southwest Oregon Fire Recovery effort. This includes other large fires on BLM-managed lands that were ignited by the July 26, 2013 lightning storm. Over the coming months the two districts will be conducting public outreach in consideration of possible alternatives for the recovery of the economic value of fire-killed and damaged timber, and actions intended to provide long-term safety in both Matrix and Late-Successional Reserves for individuals travelling through and working in the burned areas, maintaining the integrity of railroad and utility rights-of-way that pass through the burned areas, and providing for the integrity and safe use of other facilities (quarries, heli-ponds, pump chances, fire lookouts, and recreational sites) that may be present.

We will keep you updated on further developments through the Quarterly Planning Update and the district website at: <http://www.blm.gov/or/districts/roseburg/plans/index.php>. As in previous updates, this edition contains information on a wide array of work proposed or underway on the Roseburg District. Written comments on BLM projects, including the specific project and field office name, should be sent to 777 N.W. Garden Valley Blvd., Roseburg, Oregon 97471, during the specified public comment period.

Thank you for your interest in Roseburg District BLM lands.

Sincerely,



Abbie Jossie
District Manager

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Key Contact

For more information about projects in the Quarterly Planning Update, contact Cheyne Rossbach, Public Affairs Officer at (541) 464-3245.

Categorical Exclusions

In implementation of the NEPA regulations, the BLM has developed categorical exclusions covering management actions for many resource programs, including fish and wildlife, forestry, realty, transportation, recreation management and emergency stabilization following a natural disaster. In developing categorical exclusions, the BLM demonstrated through rulemaking procedures how these actions do not typically result in significant environmental effects and set forth the methodology and criteria used to define the categories of actions. These rulemaking procedures included extensive public involvement and input, and CEQ review, regarding appropriate limits on the use of the categorical exclusion to assure that any categorically excluded action would remain within the effects of actions covered in the analysis for the rulemaking. The purpose of a categorical exclusion is to eliminate the need for unnecessary paperwork under NEPA. Specifically, Council of Environmental Quality (CEQ) regulations for the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) at 40 CFR §1508.4 state that:

“‘Categorical exclusion’ means a category of actions which do not individually or cumulatively have a significant effect on the human environment and which have been found to have no such effect in procedures adopted by a Federal agency in implementation of these regulations (Sec. 1507.3) and for which, therefore, neither an environmental assessment nor an environmental impact statement is required...Any procedures under this section shall provide for extraordinary circumstances in which a normally excluded action may have a significant environmental effect.”

Use of categorical exclusions on the Roseburg District includes an internal exemption review of extraordinary circumstances as prescribed through CEQ and Departmental/Bureau policy. We include categorical exclusions in the Roseburg District Quarterly Planning Update to keep the public informed, but because the actions are categorically excluded from NEPA review, there is not a comment/response process as with NEPA documents such as environmental assessments (EAs) and environmental impact statements (EISs).

Roseburg District

- Special Forest Products – Programmatic evaluation of Roseburg District special forest products sales for fiscal years 2014 – 2015. Completed November 19, 2013. (NEPA No. DOI-BLM-OR-R000-2013-0002-CX)

South River Field Office

- **Rabbit Mountain Fire Suppression-Created Log Removal** - Remove logs generated by fire suppression-activities that are located within 50 feet of the center line of BLM Road Nos 31-8-3.0, 31-8-8.1, 31-8-9.1, 31-8-17.1, and 32-7-12.2 and along privately controlled roads crossing on BLM-administered lands. Logs are also present on the fill slope of Michigan Springs helipond. Trees were felled during fire suppression activities. To avoid creating fuel accumulations near active fire, many of the felled trees, approximately 230 thousand board feet, were decked and individually placed adjacent to existing roads. There would be no ground or habitat disturbance as there would be no road construction or log skidding, and all equipment operations would occur on existing roads. Project activities would occur outside of the critical marbled murrelet nesting period as well as outside of the northern spotted owl nesting, fledgling, and dispersal period. The sale (Green Bunny) was auctioned on November 19, 2013. The project will be implemented beginning in November 2013 and ending in February 2014. (DOI-BLM-OR-R050-2013-0008-CX)

- **Rabbit Mountain Emergency Stabilization and Restoration** – The South River Field Office is proposing a program of work to accomplish rehabilitation and restoration of areas affected by the Rabbit Mountain Fire including wildfire suppression efforts. Rehabilitation treatments are needed to achieve the objectives of land use allocations described in the Roseburg District Resource Management Plan. The primary objectives of the proposed action are to: reestablish desired vegetation so that land use allocation objectives can be met in the future, control erosion and sediment transport, and address safety concerns. Each project would be consistent with the authorizations allowed under the categorical exclusion for Emergency Stabilization. Projects would be developed and designed based on site-specific assessments by an interdisciplinary team of resource specialists (e.g., soil scientist, hydrologist, fisheries biologist, wildlife biologist, botanist, foresters, and engineers). Project activities would occur outside of the critical nesting periods for marbled murrelets and northern spotted owls. Completion of CX anticipated in January 2014. The project will be implemented in 2014. (DOI-BLM-OR-R050-2014-0001-CX)
- **Fallen Feline Salvage** –The South River Resource Area proposes to salvage trees blown down during 2012 and 2013 winter storms on Bureau of Land Management lands off of Wildcat Road (T. 29 S., R. 9 W.; Section 13 Willamette Meridian). Salvage harvest would remove down and dead trees in upland areas of two units totaling 44 acres. No salvaging would take place within Riparian Reserves. Standing trees with snapped out tops would remain on site as snags and no live standing trees would be cut unless they are a danger to human safety. Snags or down wood existing prior to the 2012-2013 winter events would not be removed. Completion of CX: Winter 2014. (DOI-BLM-OR-R050-2014-0002)
- **South River 2013 Pre-commercial Thinning** - Vegetation greater than one foot tall and less than eight inches diameter at breast height will be cut to provide more growing space for selected leave trees in young forest stands. Approximately 369 acres in the General Forest Management Area, 153 acres in Connectivity/Diversity Blocks, and 743 acres in Late Successional Reserves and associated Riparian Reserves will be treated in various locations throughout the South River Resource Area. Categorical exclusion completed August 28, 2013. The project will be implemented using chain saws, beginning in October 2013 and ending in January 2014. (DOI-BLM-OR-R050-2013-0006-CX)

Swiftwater Field Office

- There are no new categorical exclusions in the Swiftwater Field Office this quarter.

New Projects

Roseburg District

Timber Management Activities

There are no new planning starts underway for timber management activities at the District level.

Restoration Activities

There are no new planning starts underway for restoration activities at the District level.

Other Activities

There are no new planning starts underway for other, miscellaneous activities at the District level.

South River Field Office

Timber Management Activities

There are no new planning starts for timber management activities in the South River Field Office.

Restoration Activities

There are no new planning starts for restoration activities in the South River Field Office.

Other Activities

White Castle Temporary Area Closure

Description: Under regulations at 43 CFR 8364.1, the BLM Roseburg District South River Field Office has completed an environmental assessment to temporarily restrict motorized and non-motorized public access to the contract area of the White Castle Variable Retention Harvest project for a period of up to 24 months. Administrative use by the BLM and its contractors, U.S. Forest Service, Douglas Forest Protective Association, Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW), and access by parties with rights of reciprocal use would be permitted. Signs and temporary traffic barriers would be used to restrict access by the general public to the 2,167-acre Action Area including approximately 15 miles of road within the area. The purpose for this proposed action is to quickly implement a temporary closure of the area during active logging operations. The need results from the danger to timber sale protesters within harvest units of an active timber sale; risks to personnel engaged in timber harvest operations; and potential damage to roads, vehicles, and equipment. (DOI-BLM-OR-R050-2013-0007-EA)

Location: S½SE¼ Section 23, Section 25, and NE¼ Section 26, T. 28 S. R 3 W., Willamette Meridian (W.M.) and E½ Section 4, NE¼W½ Section 4, N½ Section 31, Section 32, and SW¼, and Section 33, T. 28 S. R 2 W., W.M.

Issue Identification: Completed

Analysis: Environmental Assessment

Public Comment Period: EA published July 31, 2013, Comment period: August 1 through August 30, 2013

Decision Date: November 21, 2013.

Swiftwater Field Office

Timber Management Activities

There are no new planning starts for timber management activities in the Swiftwater Field Office.

Restoration Activities

There are no new planning starts for restoration activities in the Swiftwater Field Office.

Other Activities

There are no new planning starts for other miscellaneous activities in the Swiftwater Field Office.

Status of Previous Planning Update Action Items

Note- the Roseburg District FY2013 Timber Sale Plan is available at: <http://www.blm.gov/or/districts/roseburg/timbersales/files/2013-sale-plan.pdf>

Roseburg District

Timber Management Activities

There are no previous planning actions to update for timber management activities at the District level.

Restoration Activities

There are no previous planning actions to update for restoration activities at the District level.

Other Activities

Vegetation Management Activities Using Herbicides

Description: The BLM Roseburg District is beginning work on an Environmental Assessment (EA) for *Vegetation Management Activities Using Herbicides*. Noxious weeds and invasive plants infest BLM-administered lands across the Roseburg District, threatening native ecosystems and habitat, adjacent lands and infrastructure. The BLM is proposing to use herbicides as part of an integrated vegetation management strategy to control noxious and invasive species and achieve landscape health objectives. The EA proposal, scoping notice and related materials can be accessed on the web at: <http://www.blm.gov/or/districts/roseburg/plans/index.php>.

Location: Throughout Roseburg District administered lands.

Issue Identification: Completed. Public scoping was conducted June 15, 2011 through July 15, 2011 and a public open house was held on June 27, 2011 at the Roseburg District BLM Office.

Analysis: Environmental Assessment.

Public Comment Period: Expected in the first calendar quarter of 2014.

Decision Date: Unknown at this time.

South River Field Office

Timber Management Activities

Myrtle Creek 2013 Harvest Plan

Description: The proposed action would apply silvicultural treatments to an estimated 3,142 acres of BLM-administered lands within the Myrtle Creek fifth-field watershed, allocated as General Forest Management Area, Connectivity/Diversity Block, and Riparian Reserve. Proposed treatments would include thinning from below, variable density thinning in upland stands, density management in Riparian Reserves, and variable retention harvest.

Design of the project and analysis of the effects of the proposed action will conform to the management objectives of the 1995 Roseburg District *Record of Decision and Resource Management Plan* and will tier to the analytical assumptions and conclusions of the 1994 Roseburg District *Proposed Resource Management Plan/Environmental Impact Statement*.

Location:

- Sections 31 and 32 of T. 28 S., R. 2 W., Willamette Meridian (W.M.)
- Sections 17, 20, 21, 26, 28, 29, 31, 22, 33, 35 and 36 of T. 28 S., R. 3 W., W.M.
- Sections 2, 3, 9, 10, 17, 18, 19, 21, 25, 29 and 35 of T. 28 S., R. 4 W., W.M.
- Section 27 of T. 28 S., R. 5 W., W.M.
- Section 8, T. 29 S., R. 2 W., W.M.
- Sections 3, 5, 7, 9 and 15 of T. 29 S., R. 3 W., W.M.
- Sections 3, 11, 13, and 15 of T. 29 S., R. 4 W., W.M.

Issue Identification: Complete.

Analysis: Environmental Assessment.

Public Comment Period: Unknown at this time.

Decision Date: Fiscal years 2014 through 2016.

Camas Valley 2011 Harvest Plan

Description: The proposal consists of two sub-alternatives to the proposed action. The first would thin approximately 1,775 acres in the General Forest Management Area, Connectivity/Diversity Block, Riparian Reserve and Late-Successional Reserve land use allocations. The second would thin approximately 1,574 acres and apply a variable retention harvest prescription to approximately 239 acres of 60 to 70 year old stands in the General Forest Management Area with thinning in portions of associated Riparian Reserves.

Design of the project and analysis of the effects of the proposed action will conform to the management objectives of the 1995 Roseburg District *Record of Decision and Resource Management Plan* and will tier to the analytical assumptions and conclusions of the 1994 Roseburg District *Proposed Resource Management Plan/Environmental Impact Statement*.

Location:

- Commercial thinning/Matrix and density management/Riparian Reserves: Sections 19, 29 and 31, T. 28 S., R. 8 W.; Sections 27 and 31, T. 29 S., R. 8 W.; Sections 13 and 35, T. 29 S., R. 9 W.; and Sections 3 and 27, T. 30 S., R. 9 W., W.M.
- Potential variable retention harvest/General Forest Management Area and density management/Riparian Reserves: Section 35, T. 29 S., R. 9 W., W.M.
- Density management/Late-Successional Reserves: Sections 5, 17 and 27, T. 28 S., R. 8 W.; Sections 5, 9 and 15, T. 29 S., R. 8 W.; Sections 3, 15, 23 and 27, T. 29 S., R. 9 W.; Sections 9, 17, 19, 27, and 33, T. 30 S., R. 8 W.; and Section 25, T. 30 S., R. 9 W., W.M.

Issue Identification: Complete.

Analysis: Environmental Assessment.

Public Comment Period: Complete – June 19 through July 19, 2013.

Decision Date: A decision on the Here's Your Sign timber sale was issued on November 19, 2013. Four other decisions are anticipated over the balance of fiscal year 2014 and in fiscal year 2015.

Restoration Activities

There are no previous planning actions to update for restoration activities in the South River Field Office.

Other Activities

White Rock Travel Management Plan

The Umpqua Lands Trail Riders Association proposed development of an OHV emphasis area in the Myrtle Creek watershed, near White Rock. The Roseburg District does not have the capacity to evaluate this proposal at this time, but prework will be opportunistically conducted in preparation for full evaluation of the proposal in the future.

Description: A comprehensive travel management plan that will include inventory and possible development of roads and trails for both motorized and non-motorized uses.

Location: T. 28 S., R. 3 W. and R. 4 W.; T. 29 S., R. 3 W. and R. 4 W., W.M. Exact boundaries to be determined.

Scoping Period: Unknown at this time.

Issue Identification: Unknown at this time.

Analysis: Environmental Assessment.

Public Comment Period: Unknown at this time.

Decision Date: Unknown at this time.

Swiftwater Field Office

Timber Management Activities

Calapooya Creek Harvest Plan

Description: Commercial thinning, variable density thinning and variable retention harvest of 30-73 year old forest stands on 1,275 acres in the Calapooya Creek and Lower North Umpqua watersheds is planned within General Forest Management Area and Connectivity/Diversity Block land use allocations. Two sales are planned, Green Gas and Good Boyd, which are anticipated to yield approximately 7.0 MMBF of timber.

Location: Sections 7, 17, 19, 29, and 33 of T. 25 S., R. 3 W.; Sections 23 and 25 of T. 25 S., R. 4 W., W.M.; Sections 5, 7, 9, 17 of T. 24 S., R. 3 W.; and Sections 1, 9, 13, 15 of T. 24 S., R. 4 W.

Issue identification: Ongoing.

Analysis: Environmental Assessment.

Public Comment Period: Unknown at this time.

Decision Date: Separate decisions for each sale are anticipated in fiscal years 2015 and 2016.

Deadman's Folley Thinning

Description: Commercial thinning and density management of 35-70 year old forest stands on 1600 acres in the Elk Creek watershed within General Forest Management Area, Connectivity/Diversity Block and Late Successional Reserve land use allocations. Three sales are planned: Sticker Shock, Tommy Tot and Fool's Gold which are anticipated to yield approximately 11.0 MMBF of timber.

Location: Sections 19, 29, 32 and 33 of T. 22 S., R.6 W.; Sections 3, 5, 9 and 17 of T. 22 S., R. 7 W., W.M.; Section 29 of T. 21 S., R.6 W. and Sections 25 and 35 of T. 21 S., R.7 W.

Issue identification: Unknown at this time.

Analysis: Environmental Assessment.

Public Comment Period: Unknown at this time.

Decision Date: Separate decisions for each sale are anticipated in fiscal years 2015 and 2016.

Half and Half Commercial Thinning

Description: Density management of 36-57 year old forest stands on 1163 acres in the Upper Smith River watershed within General Forest Management Area, Connectivity/Diversity Block and Late Successional Reserve land use allocations. Two sales are planned: Halfway There (561 acres) and Halfway Decent (602 acres) which are anticipated to yield approximately 8.0 MMBF of timber.

Location: Sections 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 15, 16 and 17 of T. 21 S., R. 7 W. and Section 33 of T. 20 S., R. 7 W., W.M.

Issue identification: Ongoing.

Analysis: Environmental Assessment.

Public Comment Period: Unknown at this time.

Decision Date: Separate decisions for each sale are anticipated in fiscal year 2015.

Elk Wings Thinning

Description: Thinning in the General Forest Management Area, Connectivity/Diversity Block, Late-Successional Reserve, and Riparian Reserve land use allocations in the Elk Creek and Upper Umpqua watersheds. It involves the silvicultural thinning of 41-69 year old forest stands. Three sales are planned: Uncle Albert (228 acres), Lost Cub (345 acres), and Admiral Halsey (157 acres).

Location: Sections 23 and 27 of T. 22 S., R. 6 W. and Sections 11, 14, 15, 21 and 23 of T. 23 S., R. 6 W., W.M.

Issue Identification: Completed.

Analysis: Environmental Assessment.

Public Comment Period: Completed June 19, 2012 – July 19, 2012.

Decision Date: The Uncle Albert decision was signed in June 2013 and the timber sale sold in August 2013. The decision for Admiral Halsey was signed in September 2013 and the timber sale sold in October 2013. The Lost Cub decision is anticipated to be signed in December 2013 and the sale sold in January 2014.

Thunderbolt Thinning

Description: Thinning in the Adaptive Management Area (AMA), General Forest Management Area, Connectivity/Diversity Block, and Riparian Reserve land use allocations in the Little River and Middle North Umpqua River watersheds. It involves the silvicultural thinning of 49-73 year old forest stands. Three sales are planned: Big Thunder (650 acres), Thundering Herd (540 acres), and Rolling Thunder (395 acres).

Location: Sections 19, 20, 21, 23, 25, 26, 27, 29, 30, 31, and 33, T. 26 S., R. 2 W., W.M.

Issue Identification: Completed.

Analysis: Environmental Assessment.

Public Comment Period: November 12 through December 12, 2013.

Decision Date: Three separate decisions are anticipated in fiscal years 2014 and 2015.

Box of Rocks Commercial Thinning and Density Management

This analysis was conducted by the South River Field Office, which will prepare and administer the project.

Description: Commercial thinning and density management of approximately 1,255 acres in the Matrix land use allocations and associated Riparian Reserves, and density management of approximately 395 acres allocated to Late-Successional Reserves. The project is anticipated to yield 12 to 15 million board feet of timber.

Location: Section 31 of T. 24 S., R. 1 W., Willamette Meridian (W.M.); Sections 5, 6, 7, 8, 15, 23, 25 and 26 of T. 25 S., R. 1 W., W.M.; and Sections 1, 7, 11, 15, 17, 23 and 25 of T. 25 S., R. 2 W., W.M.

Issue Identification: Completed.

Analysis: Environmental Assessment complete.

Public Comment Period: Completed February 22 through March 24, 2011.

Decision Date: The first decision, for Cancoon Commercial Thinning, was issued in June 2012 and the timber sale was sold at auction on July 24, 2012. The Stone Shoup decision was issued on February 26, 2013, and the sale offered at auction on June 25, 2013. A decision for It's All Relative Commercial Thinning was issued on August 13, 2013, with a scheduled auction date of September 10, 2013. Two additional decisions are forthcoming in fiscal year 2014.

Restoration Activities

Future Culvert Replacements

Description: Replacement of two major culverts located along the Rock Creek Road. The McComas Creek and Kelly Creek culverts will be replaced with open bottom concrete structures to allow fish passage to the upper reaches of these stream systems. Structure design and project development have been initiated however implementation is not expected to occur until after 2015 because funding for construction is not confirmed. Bypass roads are included in the project to provide public use of the Rock Creek Road during construction.

Location: Section 36 of T. 25 S., R. 07 W.

Analysis: Analysis is expected to tier to the 2008 Roseburg District Aquatic Restoration EA (EA#OR-103-08-09) to inform a decision on the project proposal.

Other Activities

There are no previous planning actions to update for other, miscellaneous activities in the Swiftwater Field Office.

North Bank Habitat Management Area (NBHMA) Activities

Description: Grazing is being used as a tool to manage vegetation on the east side of the NBHMA (Blacktail Basin). It continued until early July, 2013, when vegetation became too dry to have forage value. It is expected to resume in December, when the vegetation has had a chance to respond to fall rains. The grazing helps improve forage conditions for Columbian white-tailed deer by reducing thatch and stimulating grass and forb growth. Temporary fencing is used to delineate pastures and manage grazing intensity. The fencing is currently down but will be reinstalled by December when grazing is expected to resume. In addition to the fencing, permanent gates have been installed at locations where the fences cross roads. ~~They~~ [The gates](#) will remain open until grazing resumes.

Ongoing projects include invasive species removal, a Columbian white-tailed deer GPS collar study in partnership with Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, maintenance of special status species plant populations, and stream and riparian restoration and road maintenance.

Location: Sections 31, 32, and 33, T. 25 S., R. 4 W., W.M.; Sections 35 and 36, T. 25 S., R. 5 W., W.M.; Sections 1, 2, 11, 12, 13, and 14, T. 26 S., R. 5 W., W.M. and Sections 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8, T. 26 S., R. 4 W., W.M.

Issue Identification: Completed.

Analysis: Completed – these activities are covered by the North Bank Habitat Management Area / ACEC Final EIS (September 2000)

Public Comment Period: Completed in September 2000.

Decision Date: September 2000.

Volunteer Opportunities

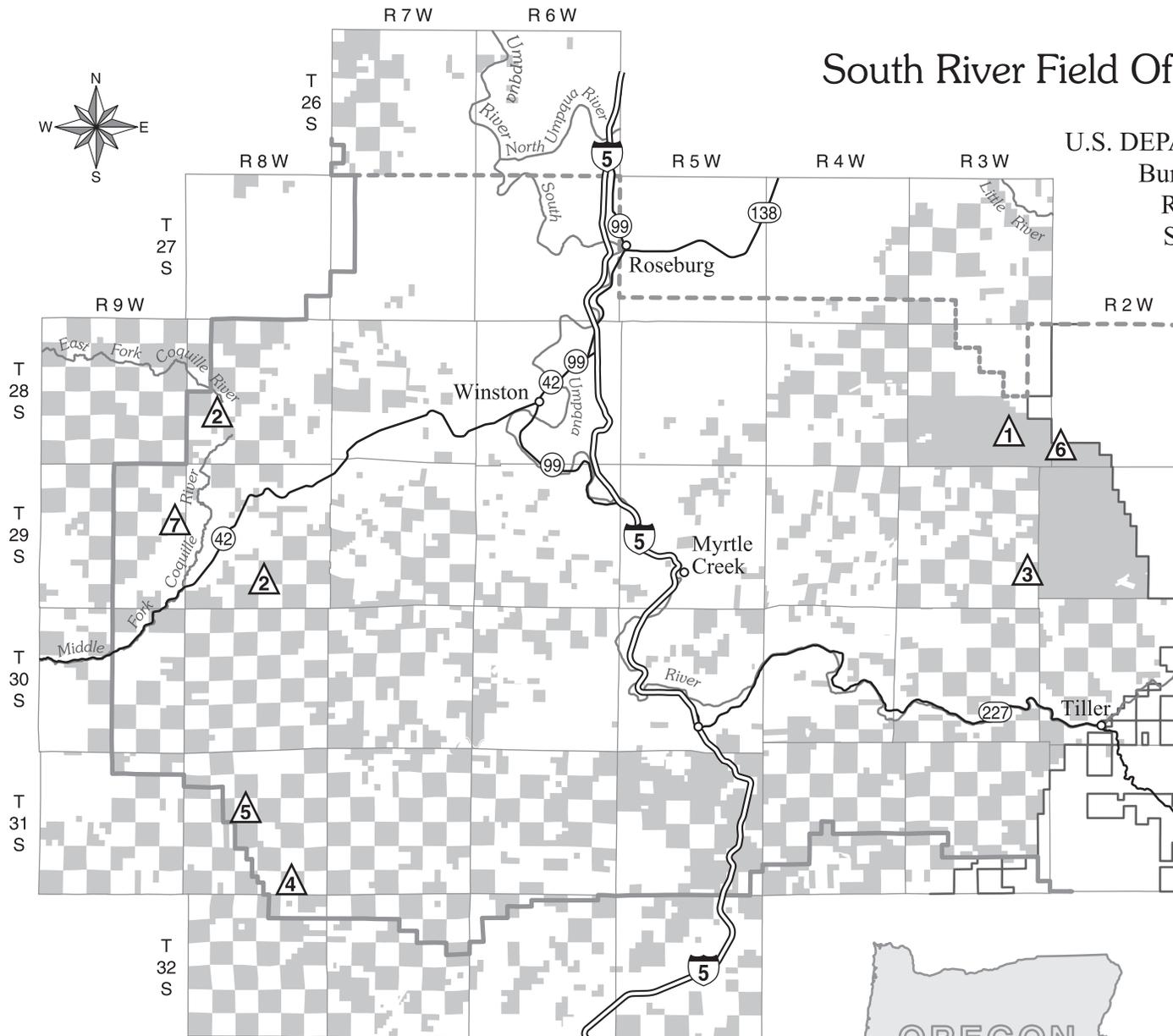
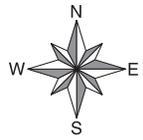
- **Eagle Scout projects:** past projects have included recreation site improvements like fence work, trail work, building and installing benches and railings, and sign installation.
- **Job shadows** are available for motivated high school and college students interested in natural resource management careers. Contact Cheyne Rossbach at 541.464.3245 or crossbac@blm.gov
- **Campground Hosts:** positions are open for the 2014 camping season. Full hookup site provided; restroom cleaning and campground upkeep included in job duties.
- **Self-directed volunteer projects** are available as well, depending on interests, experience level, and available staff time.



Contact ahiller@blm.gov or call 541.464.3356 regarding any volunteer opportunities on the Roseburg district. Thank you!

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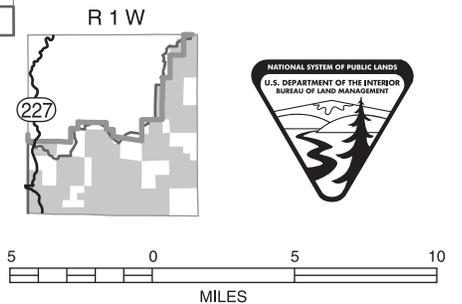
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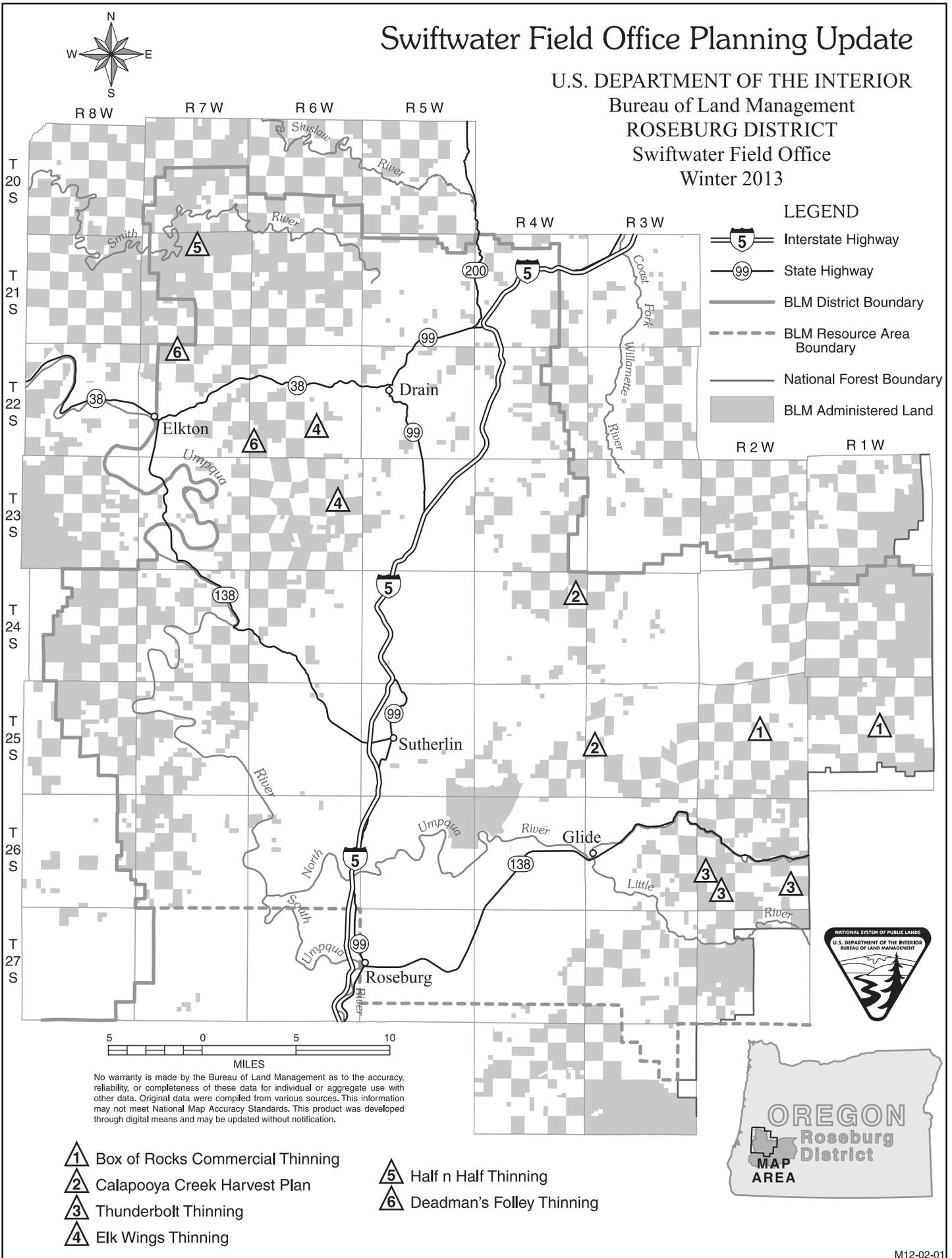
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Abbreviations and Definitions

ACEC/RNA – Area of Critical Environmental Concern/Research Natural Area

BO - Biological Opinion.

CX or Categorical Exclusion - Actions which do not have significant effects on the environment and for which an Environmental Analysis (EA) or an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is not required.

EA - Environmental Assessment – This is a concise public document that briefly provides evidence and analysis of a proposed Federal action. It is used to determine whether further analysis needs to be done for an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) or a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI).

ERFO – Emergency Relief for Federally Owned Roads

FONSI - Finding of No Significant Impact - This is a document that briefly presents the reasons why the implementation of an action will not result in “significant” environmental impacts (effects) beyond those already addressed in the Roseburg District’s *Proposed Resource Management Plan / Environmental Impact Statement* (PRMP/EIS, October 1994).

IDT - Interdisciplinary Team - A team is a group of resource specialists, whose participation is determined by the issues relating to the project proposal, and who conduct environmental analysis.

Matrix Lands – Comprised of Connectivity/Diversity Blocks and General Forest Management Area land use allocations. Most timber harvest contributing to the Allowable Sale Quantity takes place in this area. Approximately 19% of the Roseburg District BLM is matrix. (Land use allocation under the NWFP & 1995 ROD/RMP).

MBF - Thousand board feet.

MMBF - Million board feet.

NEPA - National Environmental Policy Act - A federal law which sets the systematic interdisciplinary analysis to achieve integrated consideration of physical, biological, economic, and other sciences to provide for an informed decision. The process provides for public participation in the development, review and revision of certain activities on Federal Lands.

NWFP - Northwest Forest Plan - A common name for the Record of Decision for Amendments to Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management Planning Documents Within the Range of the Northern Spotted Owl (April 1994). It is also used to refer to the Standards and Guidelines for Management of Habitat for Late-Successional and Old Growth Forest Related Species with the Range of the Northern Spotted Owl which accompanies the Record of Decision.

O&C Lands - Revested Oregon and California Railroad Lands.

Record of Decision and Resource Management Plan (ROD/RMP) - A land use plan prepared by the BLM in accordance with the Federal Land Policy and Management Act (FLPMA).

Scoping - An early and open part of environmental analysis that allows interested public and other Federal, state and local agencies the opportunity to provide issues, concerns and opportunities relative to proposed project actions. Scoping is required by regulation for Environmental Impact Statements.