Roseburg District BLM Planning Update

Winter 2007

Dear Citizen:

The Planning Update is published to provide current information about specific projects and future events planned on the Roseburg District of the Bureau of Land Management. Please send written comments, including the specific project and field office name, to 777 N.W. Garden Valley Blvd., Roseburg, Oregon 97470, during the public comment period.

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Please remember to ask us to remove your name from our mailing list if you no longer wish to receive the Planning Update. For your convenience, you can also find a copy of the Planning Update at the Douglas County Library. Your written comments and concerns are welcome.

Thank you for your continued interest.

Sincerely,

Jay K. Carlson
District Manager

Dear Citizen:

The Bureau of Land Management would like you to be a part of the development of the resource management plans (RMP) that will guide BLM management activities in Western Oregon, including the Roseburg District, for the next 10-20 years. The BLM is revising the RMPs to find a better way to meet the O&C Act's requirement of managing O&C lands for permanent forest production while complying with other laws, such as the Endangered Species Act and the Clean Water Act. The plan revision process began in September 2005, and the BLM released its draft RMP in August 2007.

Because of the complex issues and the substantial public interest in the plan, the BLM has extended the public comment period until January 11, 2008! We are seeking your suggestions on our new Roseburg District RMP and need your help in determining the best solution for recovery of both sustainable timber production and endangered species. We encourage you to submit your comments online, at http://www.daylightdecisions.com/wopro/. This website allows you to make comments specific to portions of the document, or to make comments specific to your favorite places on the Roseburg District, through an interactive mapping tool.

The BLM will consider public comment for the final plans, due out next year. To find out more about the Western Oregon Plan Revision, please visit our website: http://www.blm.gov/or/plans/wopr/index.php

Thank you for your interest in the management of public lands in Douglas County.

Jay K. Carlson,
District Manager, Roseburg

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Key Contact

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

Non-Discretionary Actions Under Reciprocal Right-of-Way Agreements

A reciprocal right-of-way agreement is a document exchanging access rights between BLM and a permittee pursuant to 43 CFR 2812 regulations. BLM has 140 individual agreements and easements that were executed prior to the implementation of the Roseburg District Record of Decision and Resource Management Plan (ROD/RMP p. 71). These 140 agreements are subject to regulations in effect at the time the agreements were executed or assigned. The BLM's discretion on activities pursuant to these agreements (such as road construction) is limited to that described in the agreement itself.

South River Field Office

- **Silver Butte Timber Company, Reciprocal Right-of-Way Agreement R-824** – Construction of 960 feet of new road in the NE¼NE¼, Section 27, T. 30 S., R. 3 W., W.M. The action will occur in a mid-seral stand on lands allocated as Connectivity/Diversity Block.

Swiftwater Field Office

- **Lone Rock Timber Co., Reciprocal Right-of-Way Agreement R-767 –** Construction of approximately 55 feet of new road and a log landing area on BLM lands in NE¼NE¼, Section 7, T. 25 S., R. 3 W., W.M. This action will occur in an early-seral stand allocated as Connectivity/Diversity Block.
- **Seneca Jones Timber Co., Reciprocal Right-of-Way Agreement R-645 A** – Construction of a log landing on BLM lands located in NE¼SW¼, Section 19, T. 25 S., R. 1 W., W.M. This action will occur in the old growth stands allocated as Connectivity/Diversity Block.
- **Roseburg Resources Co., Reciprocal Right-of Way Agreement R-659** – Construction of a log landing on BLM lands located in SE¼NE¼, Section 27, T. 21 S., R. 7 W., W.M. This action will occur in late-seral and old growth stands allocated as General Forest Management Area.
- **Lone Rock Timber Co., Reciprocal Right-of-Way Agreement R-767 –** Renovation of approximately 1,215 feet of existing road on BLM lands in SW¼, Section 19, T. 25 S., R. 3 W., W.M. This action will occur in late-seral and old growth stands allocated as General Forest Management Area.
- **Guistina Land & Timber Co., Reciprocal Right-of-Way Agreement R-1022C –** Construction of approximately 462 feet of new road on BLM lands in E½NE¼, Section 13, T. 21 S., R. 6 W., W.M. This action will occur in late- and mature-seral stage stands allocated as Late-Successional Reserve

Categorical Exclusions

Categorical Exclusions are categories of actions determined to have no significant effect to the human environment, individually or cumulatively. As such, neither an EA not an EIS is required (40 CRR 1508.4).

South River Field Office

- **Salvage Associated with Road Maintenance** – Removal of dead, dying or leaning Douglas-fir and grand fir trees that pose a danger to traffic along BLM Roads 28-8-31.2 (Lang Creek), 28-8-25.1 (Weaver Tie Road) and 29-7-11.0 (McNabb Creek), and to residential power lines in Section 36, T. 28 S., R. 9 W. Dead trees with no salvageable value will be left on site. Lands involved are allocated to the Matrix and Murrelet LSR in: Sections 17 and 31, T. 28 S., R. 8 W.; Section 11, T. 29 S., R. 7 W.; Section 1, T. 29 S., R. 9 W.; Section 7, T. 30 S., R. 8 W.; and Section 3, T. 30 S., R. 9 W. (OR-105-08-05)

Swiftwater Field Office

- **Right-of-Way for Legal Access to Home Site; OR 064149.** – Authorization of use of an existing road for domestic, legal access to property owned by Mr. Russ Ferguson in Lot 1 (NE¼NE¼), Section 33, T. 26 S., R. 7 W., W.M. (OR-104-07-31).
- **Street Memories 2008-12.** – Issuance of a five year term Special Recreation Use Permit to the Street Memories Club for a 1-day car show at Millpond Recreation Site. (OR-104-07-33)
- **Weyco 23-4-15.1.** – Issuance of a temporary haul permit to Weyerhauser Company authorizing the hauling of 540 MBF of timber on existing road, 23-4-15.1. (OR-104-07-34).
- **Recreation and Public Purpose Lease Renewal; ORE 012162.** – Renews the Recreation and Public Purpose Lease held by Douglas County for the Richard Baker Memorial Park located in E½SE¼, Section 7, T. 26 S., R. 2 W., W.M. (OR-104-08-01).
- **Right-of-Way for PacifiCorp; OROR 064616** – Re-authorization of a right-of-way for a 12.5 kV electrical distribution line across land managed by the Bureau of Land Management. The line was originally built in the 1950's and has been continuously maintained. (OR-104-08-02).

New Projects

South River Field Office

South Umpqua Watershed Harvest Plan

Description: The proposed action is threefold, consisting of: regeneration harvest of an estimated 250 acres, commercial thinning of an estimated 750 acres of forest lands in the Matrix land use allocations, including density management in associated Riparian Reserves; and density management of an estimated 300 acres in Late-Successional Reserve (LSR).

Location: The stands proposed for treatment are located in the Days Creek, Coffee Creek, St. Johns Creek, Shively O'Shea Creek, Canyon Creek, and Stouts Creek 6th-field subwatersheds of the South Umpqua 5th-field watershed. Individual units identified to date are located as follows:
Regeneration Harvest - Section 25 in T. 29 S., R. 3 W.; Sections 3, and 4 in T. 30 S., R. 4 W., W.M.
Commercial Thinning and Density Management in Matrix - Sections 17, 18, and 19 in T. 29 S., R. 2 W.; Sections 13, 23, 25, 27, 33, and 35 in T. 29 S., R. 3 W.; Section 9 in T. 30 S., R. 2 W.; Sections 3, 15, 21, and 23 in T. 30 S., R. 3 W.; Section 25, T. 31 S., R. 6 W., W.M.
Density Management in LSR - Section 29 in T. 30 S., R. 4 W., Section 25 in T. 31 S., R. 3 W., Sections 13, 21, 23, and 30, T. 31 S., R. 4 W., Section 25, T. 31 S., R. 5 W., W.M.

Issue Identification: Ongoing.
Discretionary Scoping: Anticipated January, 2008
Analysis: Environmental Assessment.
Public Comment Period: Unknown at this time**.**
Decision Date: Unknown at this time.

Swiftwater Field Office

Elementary Watson Commercial Thinning and Density Management

Description: Commercial thinning and density management in the Adaptive Management Area, General Forest Management Area, and Riparian Reserve Land Use Allocations. It involves the commercial thinning of approximately 370 acres of young managed stands (40-78 years old) and density management of 30 acres in Riparian Reserve.
Location: Section 7, T. 27 S., R. 3 W. and Section 13, T. 27 S., R. 4 W., W.M.
Issue Identification: Anticipated to begin in January, 2008.
Analysis: Environmental Assessment.
Public Comment Period: Anticipated July, 2008.
Decision Date: Anticipated August, 2008.

Dog Bone Commercial Thinning and Density Management

Description: Commercial thinning and density management in the Matrix and Riparian Reserve Land Use Allocations. It involves the commercial thinning of approximately 216 acres of young managed stands (48-52 years old) in the General Forest Management Area and 24 acres of density management in Riparian Reserve.
Location: Section 24, T. 26 S., R. 8 W.; Sections 17, 18, and 19, T. 26 S., R. 7 W., W.M.
Issue Identification: Covered under the Upper Umpqua Watershed Plan (EA # OR-104-02-09).
Analysis: Environmental Assessment completed.
Public Comment Period: Completed Under Upper Umpqua Watershed Plan.
Decision Date: Anticipated July, 2008.

East Fork Rock Creek In-Stream Restoration

Description: Cooperative project with PacifiCorp and Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife to place approximately 25 logs into four sites along a 600 foot section of East Fork Rock Creek. Logs were obtained from hazard trees that were cut down along roads on the Umpqua National Forest and would be placed using a road-based cable yarding system.
Location: Section 19, T. 25 S., R. 01 W., W.M.
Issue Identification: Ongoing.
Analysis: Environmental Assessment anticipated February, 2008.
Public Comment Period: Anticipated February-March, 2008.
Decision Date: Anticipated March-April, 2008.

Status of Previous Planning Update Action Items

South River Field Office

Roads and Facilities Management Activities

North Berry Creek Unilateral Right-of-Way and Road Construction Permit

Description: The proposed action is issuance of a temporary road use permit for use of BLM-controlled roads and authorization for temporary road construction to Swanson Group, Inc. The road is necessary for access to the western third of a parcel of private timber for which no other suitable alternative access is available. The temporary road would approximately 675 feet in length with an estimated 440 feet on BLM-managed lands. The road would be ripped and blocked after use. Timber hauling would be authorized on BLM Roads 29-8-1.0, 29-7-18.2 and 29-7-7.0
Location: Construction would be located in Section 7, T. 29 S., R. 7 W., W.M.
Issue Identification: Complete.
Analysis: Environmental Assessment.
Public Comment Period: Anticipated in January, 2008.
Decision Date: Anticipated in March or April, 2008.

Fruit Growers Reciprocal Right-of-Way Agreement

Description: Establishment of a new O&C reciprocal right-of-way agreement between the BLM and Fruit Growers Supply Company. The agreement would provide for use of existing roads under the control of the BLM, and the 300 foot extension of a single by Fruit Growers Supply Company over BLM-managed lands for the purpose of accessing three parcels of the company's holdings.

Location: Section 31 of T. 29 S., R. 4 W.; Section 36, T. 29 S., R. 5 W., Sections 21 and 22 of T. 29 S., R. 6 W.; and Sections 5 and 6 of T. 31 S., R. 5 W., W.M.

Issue Identification: December, 2006.

Analysis: Environmental Assessment complete.

Public Comment Period: June 19, 2007 to July 19, 2007.

Decision Date: Unknown at this time.

Timber Management Activities

Lower Cow Creek Commercial Thinning and Density Management

Description: Commercial thinning and density management is proposed on approximately 722 acres. Commercial thinning in the Matrix allocations in conjunction with density management in associated Riparian Reserves would total 402 acres. Density management in Late-Successional Reserves would total approximately 320 acres.

Location: Section 13, T. 30 S., R. 7 W.; Sections 25, 27 and 35, T. 30 S., R. 8 W.; Sections 7, 13, 15, 17 and 19, T. 31 S., R. 6 W.; and Section 13, T. 31 S., R. 7 W., W.M.

Issue Identification: Complete.

Analysis: Environmental Assessment ongoing.

Public Comment Period: Anticipated in February, 2008.

Decision Date: Anticipated in fiscal year 2009.

Middle Fork Coquille 2007 Commercial Thinning and Density Management

Description: Commercial thinning in the Matrix allocations, density management in Riparian Reserves associated with Matrix units, and density management in stands allocated as Late-Successional Reserves. Approximately 835 acres were analyzed for treatment.

Location: Sections 5, 15, 29, 31, 32 and 33 in T. 29 S., R. 8 W.; Sections 1, 11, and 35 in T. 29 S., R. 9 W.; Sections 5, 9, 15, 27, and 33 in T. 30 S., R. 8 W.; and Section 3 in T. 30 S., R. 9 W., W.M.

Issue Identification: Complete.

Analysis: Environmental Assessment completed.

Public Comment Period: June 26, 2007 to July 26, 2007.

Decision Date: Multiple decisions are anticipated in fiscal years 2008 and 2009.

Olalla-Lookingglass LSR Density Management (note title correction)

Description: Commercial thinning in the Matrix allocations, density management in Riparian Reserves associated with Matrix units, and density management in stands allocated as Late-Successional Reserves. Approximately 825 acres were analyzed for treatment.

Location: Sections 21 and 27 of T. 28 S., R. 8 W.; Section 31 of T. 29 S., R. 7 W.; Sections 9 and 19 of T. 30 S., R. 7 W.; and Sections 1, 11, 13, 15, and 23 of T. 30 S., R. 8 W., W.M.

Issue Identification: Completed.

Analysis: Environmental Assessment completed.

Public Comment Period: May 7 to June 7, 2007.

Decision Date: The first of three decisions anticipated in fiscal year 2008 will be the Olly Cat DM decision planned for the winter of 2008.

South Myrtle Creek Regeneration Harvest Plan

Description: Regeneration harvest of approximately 585 acres of mature and late-successional forest comprised of the previously sold but unawarded Buck Fever, Class of 98, Dream Weaver and Sweet Pea timber sales.

Location: Sections 29, 31, 32, 33, 34 and 36, T. 28 S., R. 3 W.; Section 7, T. 29 S., R. 2 W.; Sections 1, 3, 9 and 11, T. 29 S., R. 3 W.; Sections 15, 17 and 19, T. 29 S. R. 4 W.; and Section 25, T. 29 S., R. 5 W., W.M.

Issue Identification: Completed.

Analysis: Environmental Assessment in progress.

Public Comment Period: Anticipated in February or March, 2008.

Decision Date: Uncertain at this time.

Can-Can Regeneration Harvest

Description: Regeneration harvest on approximately 489 acres within the Matrix. Three sales, Screen Pass, Hi-Yo Silver and Myrtle Morgan would yield an estimated 14-16 MMBF of timber.

Location: O'Shea Creek and Canyon Creek 6th-field subwatersheds in the South Umpqua River 5th field watershed, and the Judd Creek 6th field subwatershed in the Middle South Umpqua River 5th field watershed. Proposed units are located in T. 30 S., R. 4 W., Section 5; T. 30 S., R. 5 W., Sections 9, 10, 11 and 15; T. 31 S., R. 5 W., Sections 23 and 26; and T. 30 S., R. 6 W., Sections 13 and 25.

Issue Identification: Completed.

Analysis: Environmental Assessment completed.

Public Comment Period: Completed.

Decision Date: A decision for the Myrtle Morgan timber sale was issued on June 27, 2006, and for the for the Screen Pass timber sale on July 20, 2006. Authorization of the Hi-Yo Silver timber sale is anticipated in the spring, 2008.

Restoration Activities

South River Restoration Programmatic Environmental Assessment

Description: The analysis considered a range of restoration projects that would be reasonably implemented over the next five years or longer. These projects fall into three basic categories: (1) non-commercial riparian vegetation treatments that could include tree girdling to create snags and down wood and conversion/release of alder-dominated stands in favor of a diverse mixture of longer-lived hardwood and conifer species, (2) road improvements and stream crossing replacements, and (3) stream restoration projects to provide grade control and create additional instream habitat structure.

Location: Various locations throughout the eight fifth-field watersheds encompassed by the South River Resource Area.

Issue Identification: Completed.

Analysis: Environmental Assessment completed.

Public Comment Period: Completed.

Decision Date: Decisions were issued for the replacement of stream-crossing culverts on a tributary to Holmes Creek, North Myrtle Creek and Beals Creek in the summer of 2005. Decisions were also issued for replacement of a culvert on West Fork Canyon Creek, and in-stream habitat restoration in Stouts Creek that was completed in the summer of 2006. A decision for the replacement of a stream-crossing culvert on Rice Creek was issued in April, 2007. Additional decisions will be forthcoming in fiscal year 2008 and beyond.

Martin Creek Instream Restoration

Description: Placement of instream structures along a two mile stretch of Martin Creek, where it passes through lands owned by Roseburg Resources Company, and lands managed by the BLM. Structures consist of multiple logs and/or boulders, designed to aggrade the stream channel and provide pool habitat for resident and anadromous fish, and other aquatic organisms. The project will also, if funding can be secured, replace a stream-crossing culvert on BLM Road No. 32-7-1.2 that blocks access by fish to approximately one mile of habitat in a side tributary of Martin Creek.

Location: T. 31 S., R. 7 W., Section 35, and T. 32 S., R. 7 W., Sections 1 and 2.

Issue Identification: Completed.

Analysis: Environmental Assessment completed.

Public Comment Period: Completed.

Decision Date: All in-stream work is completed. No decision has been made on replacement of a stream-crossing culvert on Road No. 32-7-1.2.

Myrtle Creek Watershed Restoration

Description: The analysis identified a range watershed restoration projects that include the replacement of stream-crossing culverts that are at risk of failure and/or blocking passage to fish, road decommissioning, road upgrading, slide stabilization, and installation of in-stream structures to promote habitat complexity.

Location: Throughout the Myrtle Creek 5th Field Watershed.

Issue Identification: Completed.

Analysis: Environmental Assessment completed.

Public Comment Period: Completed.

Decision Date: No decisions for projects analyzed in this EA were issued in 2005 or 2006, and none are planned for 2007. Additional decisions for road improvements, road decommissioning and slide stabilization may be forthcoming in fiscal year 2008 and beyond.

Swiftwater Field Office

Roads and Facilities Management Activities

Little Wolf Quarry Expansion

Description: The proposed action would expand the existing Little Wolf Quarry by approximately four acres. The project would include the development of a quarry restoration plan.

Location: Section 1, T. 25 S., R. 8 W., W.M.

Issue Identification: Ongoing.

Analysis: Environmental Assessment.

Public Comment Period: Anticipated March 2008.

Decision Date: Anticipated May, 2008.

Rone Access

Description: Issuance of a three year road use agreement for the hauling of approximately 500 MBF of timber on existing roads (24-3-30.0, 24-3-31.0, and 24-4-25.2) and construction of approximately 40 feet of road in NW ¼ of Section 31, T. 24 S., R. 3 W. The Environmental Assessment would also consider tail holds on Bureau of Land Management Lands as part of this project.

Location: Sections 31, T. 24 S., R. 3 W., W.M.

Issue Identification: Ongoing.

Analysis: Environmental Assessment.

Public Comment Period: Anticipated March, 2008.

Decision Date: Anticipated in April, 2008.

Millpond Recreation Maintenance Shop

Description: Construction of a new maintenance facility in the Millpond/Lone Pine recreation complex. The existing Rock Creek maintenance facility will be closed due to continuing problems with vandalism because of its isolated location. The new facility will replace the existing Rock Creek shop facility.

Location: Section 21 T. 25 S., R. 02 W., W.M.

Issue Identification: Completed.

Analysis: Environmental Assessment completed.

Public Comment Period: completed August, 2007.

Decision Date: Anticipated in December, 2007 - January, 2008.

Timber Management Activities

O.M. Hubbard II Density Management Study (DMS)

Description: The proposed action is the continuation of the DMS project on O.M. Hubbard II site which includes approximately 135 acres in Section 19 of T. 25 S., R. 7 W. and Section 24 of T. 26 S., R. 8 W., Willamette Meridian. O.M. Hubbard II is located within the General Forest Management Area and Riparian Reserve land-use allocations. Approximately 135 acres of O.M. Hubbard II would have harvest activities in accordance with the study design. O.M. Hubbard II is expected to yield 763 MBF of timber available for auction.

Location: Section 24, T. 26 S., R. 8 W.; Sections 19, T. 26 S., R. 7 W., W.M.

Issue Identification: Ongoing.

Analysis: Environmental Assessment.

Public Comment Period: Anticipated January, 2008.

Decision Date: Anticipated March, 2008.

Darth Raider Commercial Thinning and Density Management

Description: This project was originally two separate projects; Darth Raider Density Management (DM) and Basin Shield Commercial Thinning (CT) and Density Management. Since Basin Shield CT & DM was offered but not purchased in August, 2004, these sales have been combined into one and a new decision will be issued. This commercial thinning and density management is proposed on approximately 181 acres of young managed stands (39-66 years old). Commercial thinning would occur in 32.5 acres in the General Forest Management Area, density management in 21.5 acres of density management in the Riparian Reserve, and 127 acres of density management in the Late-Successional Reserve.

Location: Sections 17, 18, and 19, T. 24 S., R. 7 W., W.M.

Issue Identification: Covered under the Upper Umpqua Watershed Plan (EA # OR-104-02-09).

Analysis: Environmental Assessment completed.

Public Comment Period: Completed under Upper Umpqua Watershed Plan.

Decision Date: Anticipated December, 2007.

Powells Bottle Commercial Thinning and Density Management

Description: Commercial thinning in the Matrix allocations, density management in Riparian Reserves associated with Matrix units and density management in Late-Successional Reserve. It involves a total of 152 acres comprised of commercial thinning of approximately 33 acres of young managed stands (35-45 years old) in the General Forest Management Area, approximately 27 acres of density management in Riparian Reserve, and approximately 92 acres in the Late-Successional Land Use Allocations.

Location: Section 33, T. 24 S., R. 7 W.; Sections 3, 5 and 9, T. 25 S., R. 7 W., W.M.

Issue Identification: Covered under the Upper Umpqua Watershed Plan (EA # OR-104-02-09).

Analysis: Environmental Assessment completed.

Public Comment Period: Completed under Upper Umpqua Watershed Plan.

Decision Date: Anticipated December, 2007.

Elkhead Commercial Thinning and Density Management

Description: Commercial thinning in the Matrix allocations and density management in the Riparian Reserves associated with the Matrix harvest units. Approximately 1,360 acres will be analyzed for treatment. Four sales (i.e. Adams Apple, Cedar Shingle, Slow Lane, and Lurch) are expected to yield approximately 13.6 MMBF of timber. Cedar Mill and Shingle Bells have been combined into a single sale called Cedar Shingle since the publication of the Spring 2007 Planning Update.

Location: Sections 7, 15, 17, 19, 23, and 35, T. 23 S., R. 4 W., W.M.; Section 3, T. 24 S., R. 4 W., W.M.; and Section 13, T. 23 S., R. 5 W., W.M.

Issue Identification: Scoping Period completed.

Analysis: Environmental Assessment.

Public Comment Period: Anticipated February, 2008.

Decision Date: Four separate decisions, one for each sale, are anticipated: Adams Apple (April, 2008), Cedar Shingle (May, 2008), Slow Lane (June, 2008), and Lurch (July, 2008).

Lands and Realty Activities

State Indemnity Selection (aka – In-Lieu Selections)

Description: The Congress conveyed lands to the State of Oregon, upon its statehood, in 1859. Not all lands were available for conveyance and this project will partially fulfill the United State's obligation to the State of Oregon by conveying approximately 180 acres of public lands to state control. Lands would be selected from the following 10 parcels.

Location: ***Parcel 1*** – SE¼ NE¼, Section 32, T. 20 S., R. 6 W., WM. (40 ac.);
Parcel 2 – Govt. Lot 7 and SE¼ SW¼, Section 6, T.21 S., R.6 W., WM. (64.54 ac.);
Parcel 3 – NE¼ SE¼, Section 10, T. 21 S., R. 7 W., WM. (40 ac.);
Parcel 4 – NE¼ SE¼, Section 34, T. 22 S., R. 4 W., WM. (40 ac.);
Parcel 5 – Govt. Lot 1, Section 28, T. 22 S., R. 7 W., WM. (39.06 ac.);
Parcel 6 – SE¼NE¼ and NE¼SE¼ Section 26, T. 22 S., R. 7 W., WM. (80.45 ac.);
Parcel 7 – NW¼ SE¼, Section 4, T. 23 S., R. 4 W., WM. (40 ac.);
Parcel 8 – NE¼ NE¼, Section 24, T. 23 S., R.7 W., WM. (40 ac.);
Parcel 9 – SE¼ SE¼, Section 32, T. 25 S., R.3 W., WM. (40 ac.); and/or
Parcel 10 – SE¼ SE¼, Section 14, T. 25 S., R.7 W., WM. (40 ac.)

Issue Identification: Completed. This project was identified by the Oregon State Office as high priority for conveyance to the State of Oregon and the Oregon Division of State Lands to resolve indemnity/in-lieu selections in accordance with the 1991 court settlement.

Analysis: Environmental Assessment completed.

Public Comment Period: Completed.

Decision Date: The classification decision of the Roseburg District was completed June 28, 2007. The State Director issued his decision of intent to clearlist these lands to the State of Oregon on September 28, 2007. This decision was appealed; the appeal is currently pending before the Interior Board of Land Appeals.

Restoration Activities

There are no Restoration Activities planned for the winter quarter.

North Bank Habitat Management Activities

Description: Some trail signs are installed across the North Bank Habitat Management Area/ACEC. The contract for road reconstruction and stream headcut repair is completed, in the East Jackson Creek drainage. The construction of a well house building was deemed unnecessary and the project was abandoned. Prescribed burning did not occur this year due to inclement weather conditions. No major projects are planned for this winter season.

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

Deferred Analyses

The following projects are not presently considered action items. Further work on the environmental assessments has been deferred. At such time as analysis is resumed, it will be noted in the Planning Update.

Swiftwater Field Office

The following projects are deferred, but may be resumed at some point in the future.

Broken Buck Regeneration Harvest
Christopher Folley Regeneration Harvest
Diamondback Regeneration Harvest
Emile Regeneration Harvest
Swiftwater/Lone Rock Tie Road (aka Swiftwater Tie Road Realignment)
Callahan Mudaxle Commercial Thinning

Watershed Analysis Status

South River Field Office

No watershed analysis is being conducted at this time.

Swiftwater Field Office

No watershed analysis is being conducted at this time.

Volunteer Opportunities

The Roseburg District has specific volunteer opportunities listed on-line at volunteer.gov/gov. Please call District Volunteer Program Coordinator Joe Ross at 464-3248 for further details.

South River Field Office Planning Update

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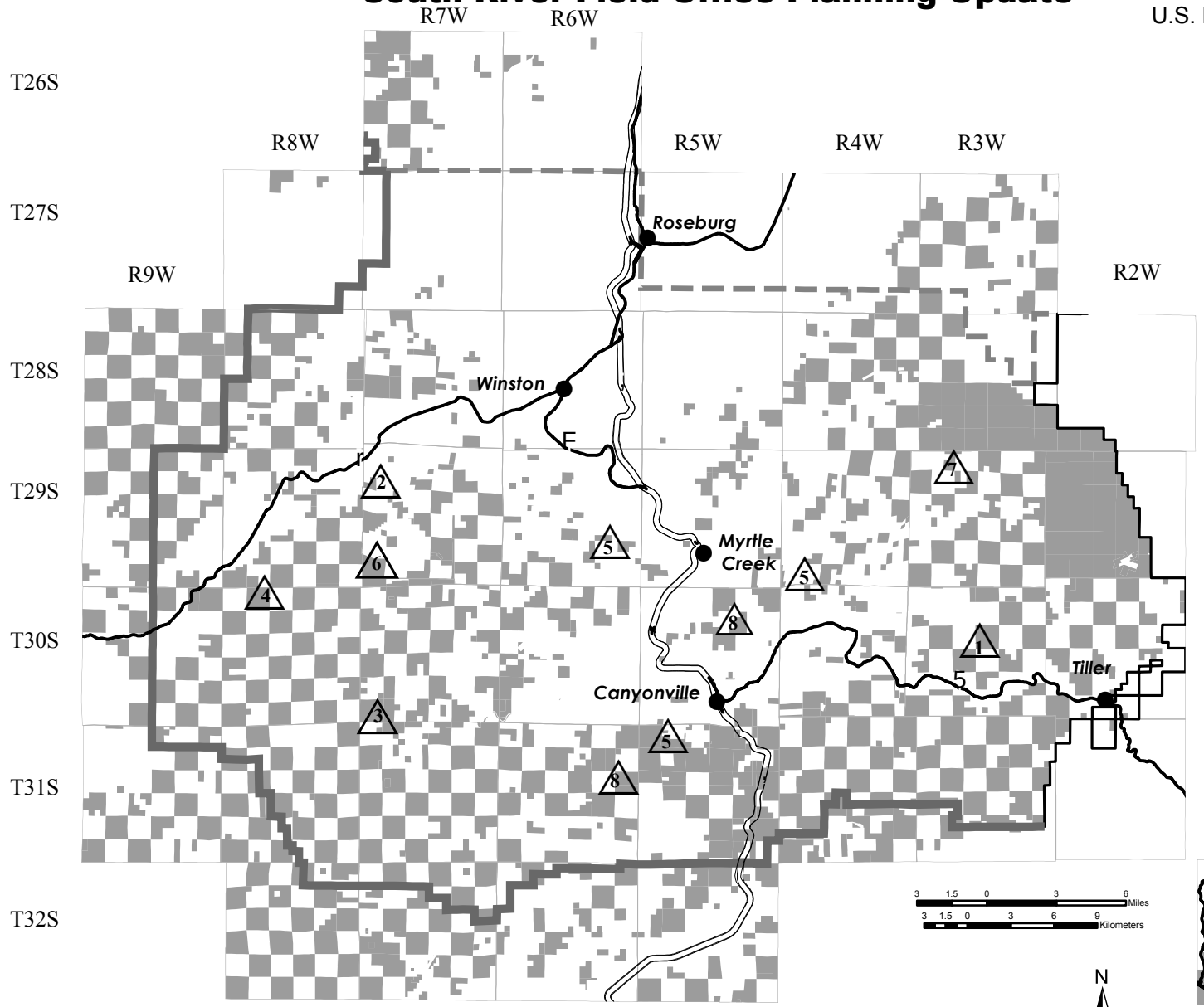
South River Field Office
Roseburg District

Winter 2007



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- Interstate 5
- State Highway
- Roseburg District Boundary
- Resource Area Boundary
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- BLM Managed Land

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4. Middle Fork Coquille 2007 Commercial Thinning and Density Management
5. Fruit Growers Reciprocal Right-of-Way Agreement
6. Olalla-Lookinglass Late Successional Reserve Density Management
7. South Myrtle Regeneration Harvest Plan
8. Can-Can Regeneration Harvest Plan

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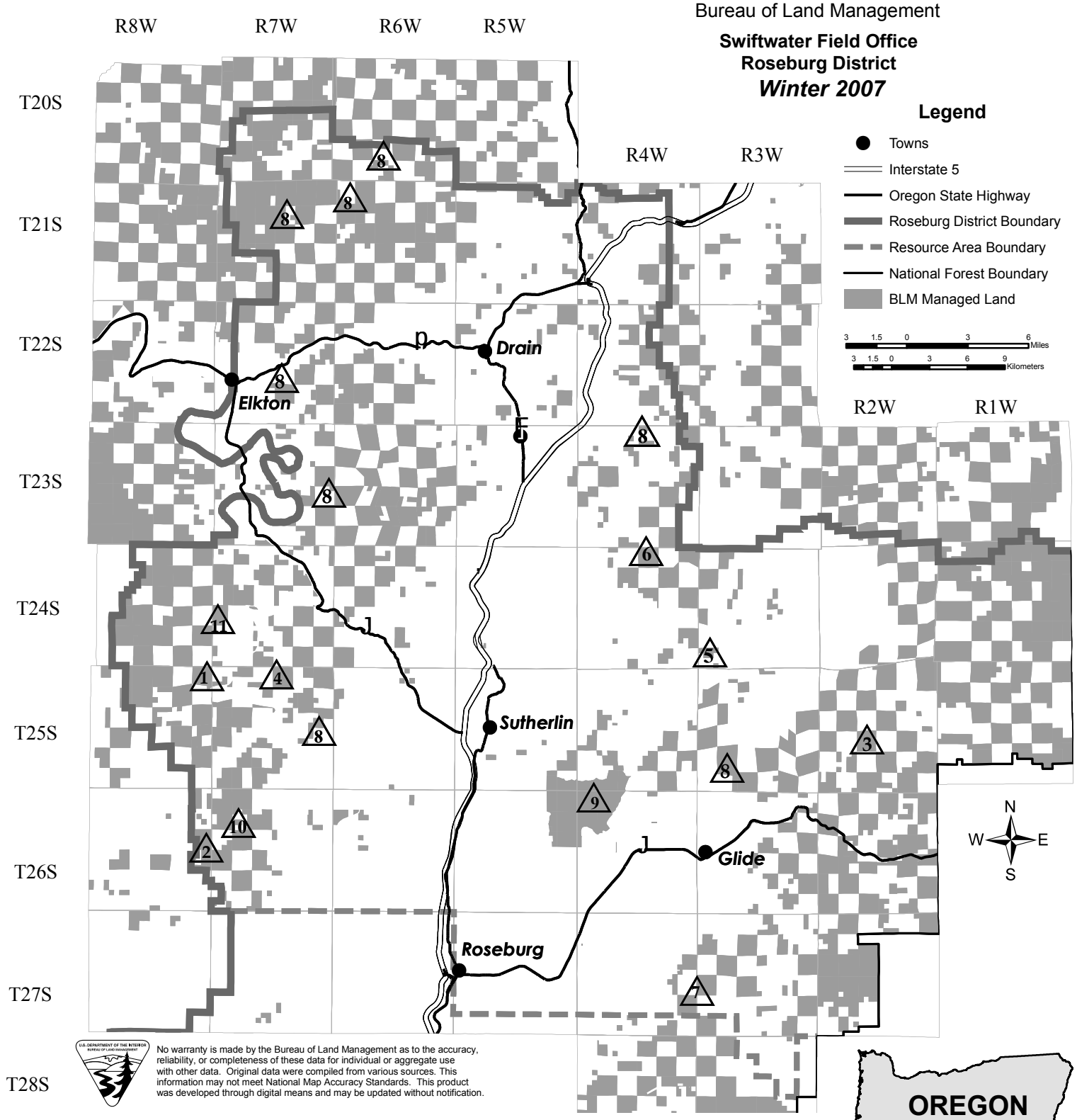

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1. Little Wolf Quarry Expansion
2. O.M. Hubbard Density Management Study
3. Millpond Recreation Maintenance Shop
4. Powell's Bottle Commercial Thinning & Density Management
5. Rone Access
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8. State of Oregon In-Lieu Selection
9. North Bank Habitat Management Area
10. Dog Bone Commercial Thinning
11. Darth Raider Density Management

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).

GFMA – General Forest Management Area.

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.

LSR – **Late-Successional Reserves** - One of the seven Federal land designations set forth in the Northwest Forest Plan. These reserves will maintain a functional, interactive, late-successional and old-growth forest ecosystem. Approximately 81% of the Roseburg District BLM is reserve.

Matrix Lands - One of the seven Federal land designations set forth in the Northwest Forest Plan. Most timber harvest contributing to the Allowable Sale Quantity takes place in this area. Approximately 19% of the Roseburg District BLM is matrix.

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.

Resource Management Plan (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.

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