



# United States Department of the Interior



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Salem, Oregon 97306  
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Chuck Wagon Thinning

DOI-BLM-OR-S040-2014-0007-CX

Dear Interested Party,

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is considering a forest thinning project in the Cascade Resource Area of the Bureau of Land Management, Salem District. The proposed project would take place within the General Forest Management Area and Riparian Reserve land use allocations as outlined in the Salem District BLM Resource Management Plan. National Environmental Policy Act compliance will be completed through one Categorical Exclusion: *Chuck Wagon Thinning CX*.

The BLM proposes to thin approximately 60-65 acres of a 65-75 year old forest stand on BLM administered land. The Chuck Wagon Thinning project is in the Eagle Creek Watershed approximately 14 miles East of the City of Estacada in Clackamas County. The proposed thinning units are located within Section 35 of Township 3 South, Range 5 East, Willamette Meridian (see enclosed map). Access to the proposed sale is behind private locked gates; BLM escorted field trips can be arranged if requested. Other potential activities include: the renovation of approximately 0.5 miles of existing road, the construction of approximately 0.5 miles of temporary road to access thinning areas; the decommissioning of those temporary roads after thinning, and the creation of up to three, one acre low density thinning areas.

You have been identified as an adjacent landowner or member of the public who would likely have an interest in this project and the BLM lands in this area. The purpose of this letter is to inform you of the proposed project in the area, and provide you an opportunity to share any comments or questions you may have.

The enclosed map shows the location of the potential thinning units. These maps may also be found on the Salem District website at <http://www.blm.gov/or/districts/salem/plans/plans.php> Also enclosed is a project comment form. I would appreciate your written comments by June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2015.

If you have any questions about this project, please contact, Alisa Tanner at 503-589-6844 or by email to [alisa\\_tanner@blm.gov](mailto:alisa_tanner@blm.gov). Written comments can be sent to John Huston, Cascades Field Manager, BLM-Salem District, 1717 Fabry Road SE, Salem, Oregon 97306.

Sincerely,

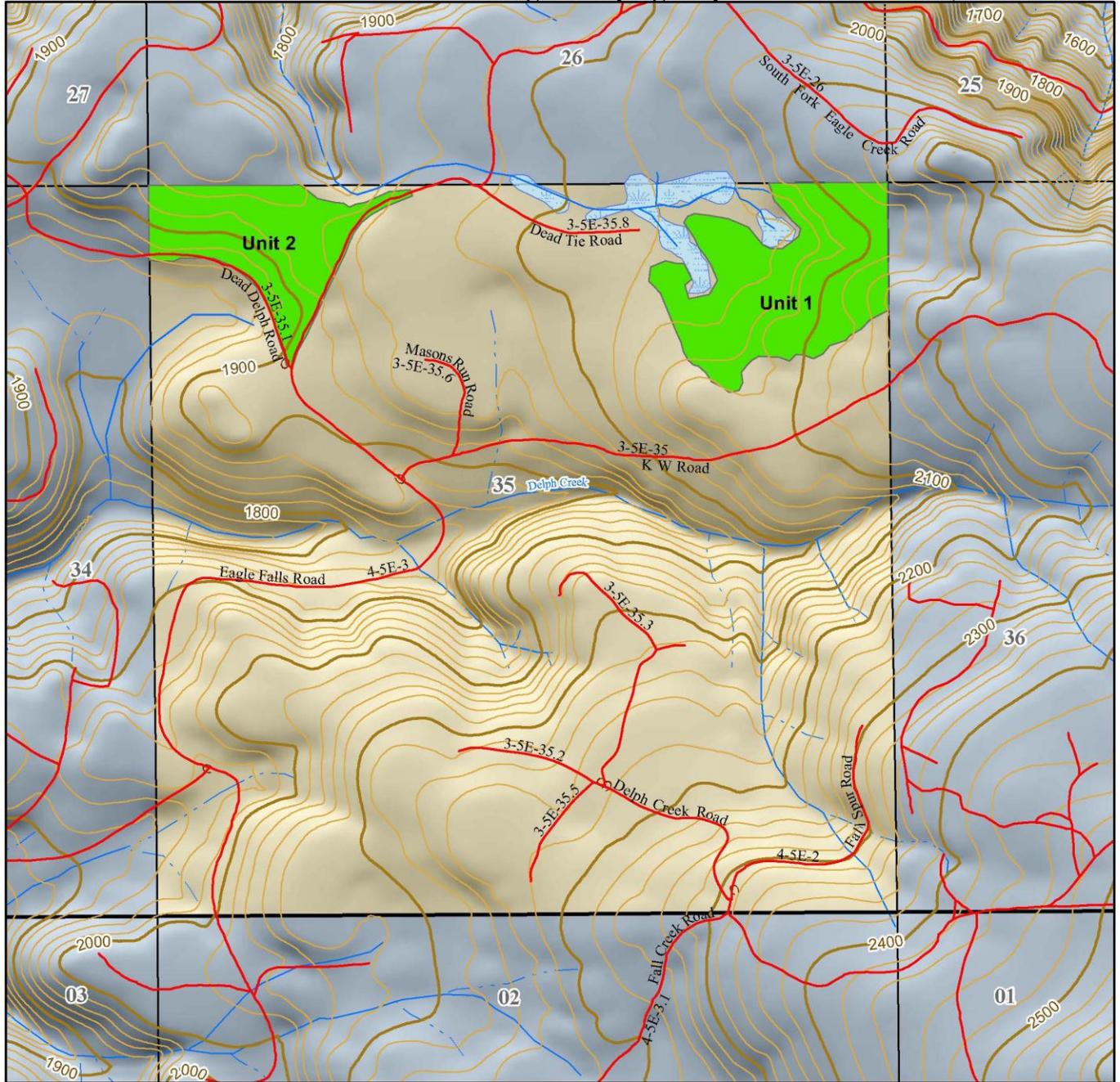
John Huston  
Field Manager, Cascades Resource Area

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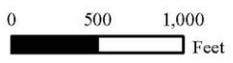
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**Chuck Wagon Scoping Map**

March 03, 2015

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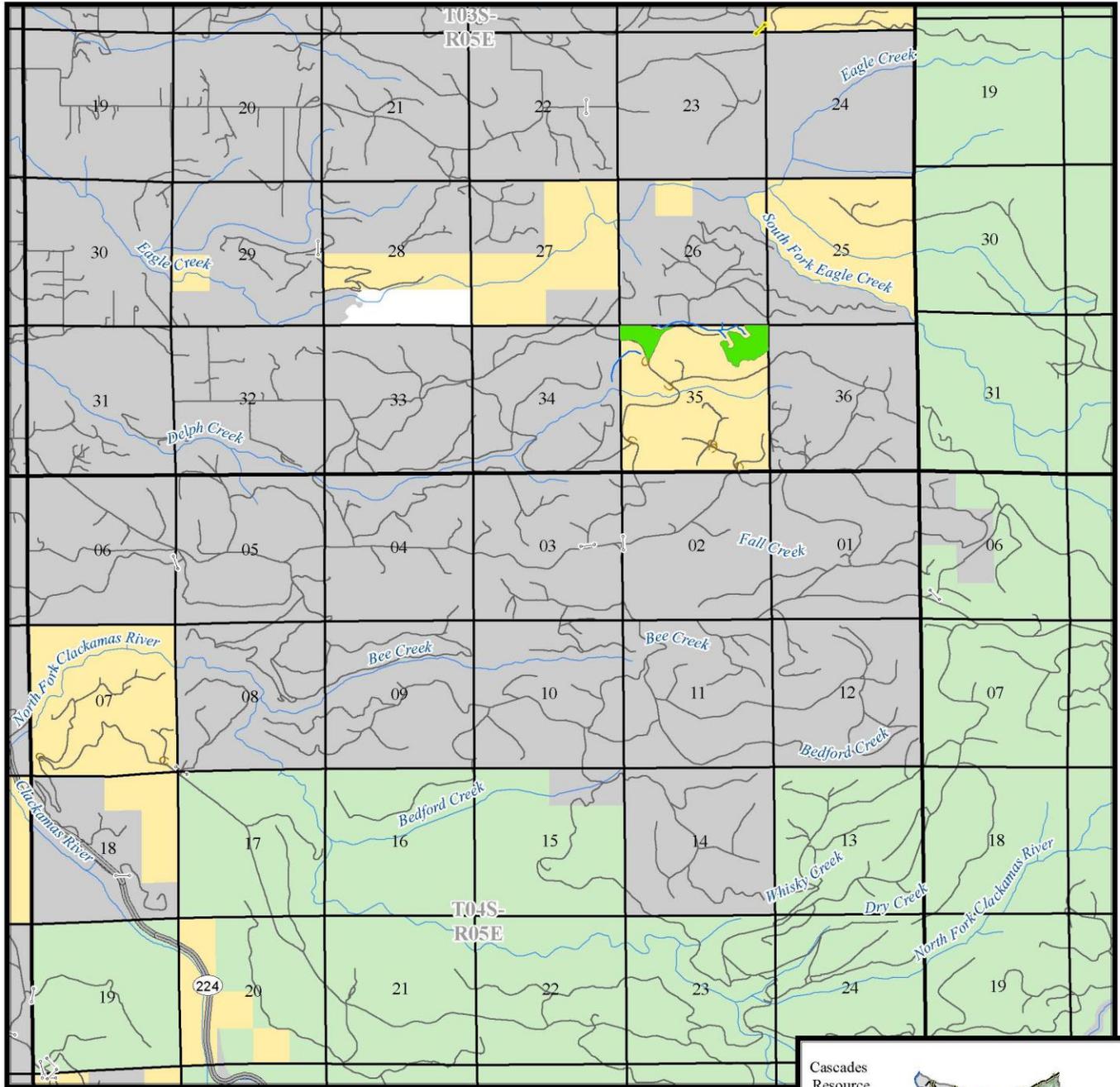
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|  Proposed Thinning Units |  Private/Unk        |
|  Streams                 |  Private Industrial |
|  Roads                   |  BLM                |
|  Wet Areas               | <b>Closure Devices</b>   |
|  State Agency            |  Earth Berm         |
|  U.S. Forest Service     |  |



# Chuck Wagon Proposed Project Location Scoping Map

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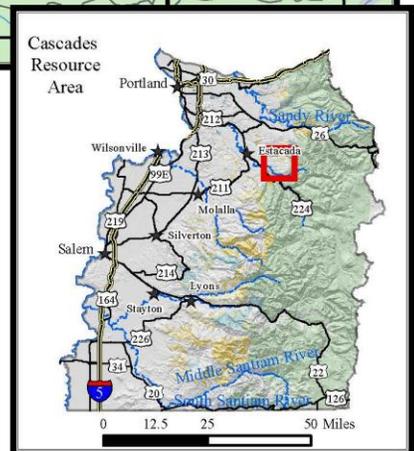
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- Proposed Thinning Units
- Bureau of Land Management
- U.S. Forest Service
- State
- Private/Unknown
- Gate
- Streams
- Earth Berm
- State Highway
- Road





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