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To: Bureau of Land Management District/Field Managers: Salem, Eugene, Roseburg, Coos Bay, Medford Districts, and Klamath Falls Field Office. National Forest Supervisors: Gifford Pinchot, Deschutes, Winema, Mt. Baker/Snoqualmie, Mt. Hood, Okanogan, Olympic, Siuslaw, Umpqua, Rogue River, Siskiyou, Wenatchee, Willamette National Forests, and Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area

Subject: Endangered Species Act Consultation or Conference on Land and Resource Management Plans within the Northwest Forest Plan Area

DD: 02/26/2003

To comply with the Endangered Species Act, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) and Forest Service (FS) are initiating (reinitiating) consultation (conferencing) on BLM Resource Management Plans and FS Land and Resource Management Plans (LRMP) (hereafter described collectively as Plans). Three circumstances trigger these actions on the Plans:

- 1) Numerous anadromous fish species have been listed since 1999;
- 2) A proposal has been printed in the Federal Register by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to designate Critical Habitat for bull trout in the Columbia River and Klamath River basins; and,
- 3) A clarification of the Aquatic Conservation Strategy of the Northwest Forest Plan is being analyzed in an Environmental Impact Statement.

Consequently, an interagency team is preparing a Biological Assessment (BA) on BLM and FS Plans that may affect listed fish species and endanger Critical Habitat. The interagency team needs your assistance with the following items to complete the BA for the Plans:

- 1) Please complete the attached Status of Watershed Analysis (WA) table for your administrative unit, which has been partially completed by State Office/Regional Office staff. The FS tables are to be completed electronically in Microsoft Access format. BLM tables are in Microsoft Word for Windows format. There are specific information requests for WA in key watersheds and in inventoried roadless areas. If your administrative unit has key watersheds where WA is not completed or planned, please name the key watersheds and explain why. If WA

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has not been conducted in watersheds with inventoried roadless areas, please name the watersheds and the inventoried roadless areas, and explain why;

- 2) Identify, by title and date, any project-specific amendments, 1994 to present, made to your LRMPs that may affect listed fish and/or their habitat and describe potential effects; and
- 3) Provide information on fish species status, distribution, and habitat importance. Include or cite any data sources for adult escapement, juvenile or adult standing crop, GIS map layers for distribution, or particularly important spawning and rearing areas.

Please submit completed FS responses electronically to Scott Woltering, FS R6 TES Aquatic Biologist (503-808-2669); and BLM responses to Joe Moreau, Oregon State Office BLM Fisheries Program Lead (503-808-6418).

Districts with Unions are reminded to notify their unions of this Informational Bulletin and satisfy any bargaining obligations before implementation. Your servicing Human Resources Office or Labor Relations Specialist can provide you assistance in this matter.

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1 Attachment

1 - Watershed Analysis: Completed, In Progress, or Planned in Northwest Forest Plan Area

[BLM only](#): tables in Microsoft Word for Windows format (7pp)

FS only: tables in Microsoft Access (under separate cover)

cc:
Scott Woltering, FS R6

BLM Distribution
WO-230 (204LS) - 1
OR-931 (Joe Moreau) - 1

			Total acres of administrative unit	
List Key Watersheds not analyzed and why. List inventoried roadless areas not analyzed and why, by watershed.			Total % of administrative unit analyzed	99%

Watershed Analysis: Completed, In Progress or Planned in Northwest Forest Plan Area
 Medford District BLM

WATERSHED NAME	Inventoried Roadless Area (Y/N)	Key Watershed (Y/N)	Year Completed, in Progress, or Planned	BLM Acres
Graves Creek West				
Middle Cow Creek (draft)				
Rogue Frontal East				
Rogue Frontal West				
Upper Cow Creek				
Prelim. Analysis of West Fork Cow				
South Fork Little Butte Creek				
Applegate- Star Boaz				
Jenny Creek				
Little Applegate River				
Little Butte Creek				
Middle Applegate				
Central Big Butte Creek				
Lower Big Butte Creek				
East Evans Creek				
Elk Creek				
Ginger Springs Recharge Area				
Lost Creek				
Middle Evans Creek				
Middle Fork and South Fork Upper Rogue				
Trail Creek				
Upper Big Butte				
West Fork Evans Creek				
Grave Creek				
Middle Cow Creek				
West Fork Cow Creek				
Wild Rogue North				
Cheney/ Slate				
Deer Creek				
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Jumpoff Joe				
Kerby				
Rogue- Grants Pass				
Rogue- Recreation Section				
Williams				

Murphy				
Rogue Wild (South)				
Klamath- Iron Gate			2000	18,075
Upper Bear Creek			2000	16,472
East Fork Illinois River			2000	5,043
West bear Creek			2001	8,799
South Rogue – Gold Hill			2001	15,495
			Total acres analyzed to date	XYZ,000
			Total acres of administrative unit	
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Watershed Analysis: Completed, In Progress or Planned in Northwest Forest Plan Area
 Roseburg District BLM

WATERSHED NAME	Inventoried Roadless Area (Y/N)	Key Watershed (Y/N)	Year Completed, in Progress, or Planned	BLM Acres
Millpond LAU				
Old Fairview				
Calapooya Divide				
Tom Folley				
Hubbard Creek				
Upper South Myrtle				
Days Creek				
St. John Creek				
Coffee Creek				
Middle Umpqua Frontal				
Middle and Upper Smith River				
Brush Creek/Hayhurst Valley/Yoncalla				
Canton Creek				
Rock Creek				
Little River AMA				
Stouts Creek				
Poole Creek				
Shively-O’Shea				
East Elk Creek				
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Umpqua Frontal				
Radar/Wolf/Cougar				
North Bank Ranch				
Myrtle Creek				
Deadman Creek/Dompier Creek				

Cow Creek				
Olalla-Lookingglass				
Elkton-Umpqua				
Canyonville/Canyon Creek				
Upper Middle Fork Coquille				
Lower South Umpqua			2000	4,155
Calapooya			2000	11,661
Middle South Umpqua			2000	7,682
Middle North Umpqua River			2001	11,900
South Umpqua River			2001	60,800
			Total acres analyzed to date	XYZ,000
			Total acres of administrative unit	
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Watershed Analysis: Completed, In Progress or Planned in Northwest Forest Plan Area
 Salem District BLM

WATERSHED NAME	Inventoried Roadless Area (Y/N)	Key Watershed (Y/N)	Year Completed, in Progress, or Planned	BLM Acres
Drift Creek (Alsea)				
Nestucca River				
Upper Siletz				
Yachats				
Netarts/ Sank Lk. FR.				
Lower Alsea River				
Trask/ Elkhorn				
Drift Creek (Siletz)				
North Fork Alsea				
Yaquina/ Big Elk				
Little Nestucca				
Kilchis				
Middle Fk. Trask River				
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East Fork Nehalem River				
South Fork Alsea				
Five Rivers/ Lobster				
Salmon/ Neskowin				
Rock Creek (Upper Siletz)				
M.Fk. Of N. Fk. Trask River				
Abiqua/ Butte				

North Fork Clackamas				
Salmon River				
Thomas Creek				
Bull Run/ Little Sandy				
Upper Fish Creek				
Molalla				
Calapooia				
Eagle Creek				
Upper Clear Creek				
Scappoose Creek				
North Yamhill				
South Fork Clackamas				
Collawash				
Dairy/ McKay				
Mary's River				
Hamilton Creek				
Upper Sandy				
Shot Pouch (S. Santiam)				
Benton Foothills				
Lower Clackamas				
Little North Santiam				
Scoggins/ Upper Tualatin				
Willamina Creek/ Panther Creek/ Baker Creek/ Deer Creek/ South Yamhill (part)				
Rowell Creek/ Mill Creek/ Rickreall Creek/ Luckiamute River				
Crabtree Creek			2001	18,008
			Total acres of administrative unit	
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