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To: District Managers – Salem, Coos Bay, Eugene, Roseburg, Medford, Lakeview, Vale

From: Acting Deputy State Director for Resource Planning, Use & Protection

Subject: Aquatic Restoration Reporting - 2002 Accomplishment Data

The purpose of this Informational Bulletin (IB) is to notify Districts that data for aquatic restoration projects completed in calendar year 2002 is due by April 4, 2003. This reporting requirement dates back to an interagency agreement dated January 19, 1999 (Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Information Bulletin No. OR-99-105).

Data provided through the Interagency Restoration Database (IRDA) is used by numerous agencies at the state and federal levels to assess the extent of restoration underway on federal lands. This data is used to comply with BLM Washington Office requests, Government Accounting Office audits, Congressional inquiries, and requests from the Council on Environmental Quality.

You will notice several improvements in the database which are designed to provide better information and make the forms easier to complete. We are requesting two changes in the way you fill out the forms:

1) **All Fields Mandatory** In years past, you were allowed to complete several of the activity fields in the database and leave some blank. This year, all fields are mandatory. We have been asked by the Department to provide more detailed information.

2) **Culvert Improvements** In the past, some districts listed culvert improvements under Roads, and others listed them under Instream Passage. This year, please list any culvert improvements under Instream Passage.

**Because the BLM Columbia Basin Progress Report for 2002 is due April 30, 2003, it is essential that this data be entered by that date. It would be appreciated if you are able to provide the information early. If the data is not reported by that date, the State Office will call to remind you.**

If you have questions about IRDA, you can access the user support web site at [http://fsweb.r6.fs.fed.us/reo/irda/irda\\_sup.htm](http://fsweb.r6.fs.fed.us/reo/irda/irda_sup.htm). Please direct general questions to Al Doelker

(503-808-6067) or Joe Moreau (503-808-6418). If you have technical questions, contact Dale Guenther (503-808-2188) or Jeanne Keyes (503-808-2187) at the Regional Ecosystem Office. Remote IRDA training using Netmeeting is recommended and can be arranged through Dale Guenther.

**Districts with Unions** are reminded to notify their unions of this IB and satisfy any bargaining obligations before implementation. Your Servicing Personnel Office or Labor Relations Specialist can provide you assistance in this matter.

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