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To: All District Managers

From: Deputy State Director for Resource Planning, Use and Protection

Subject: Identification of Bare-Root and Container Seedling Requirements for Spring Sowing 2007 DD: 10/27/06

Please make your best estimate of reforestation, restoration, riparian, wildlife, and fire rehabilitation. etc., seedling needs by October 27, 2006. All westside Oregon Districts should coordinate their responses with their District Seedling Coordinators. Eastside Districts should direct their questions and responses to Dave Henneman at the Medford District Office (541-618-2237).

Identify your seedling needs in one of the two formats shown on Attachment 1 or Attachment 2. Attachment 1 requires only general information such as species, amount, stock-type, and nursery preference, while Attachment 2 (Sowing Schedule) includes much more detail on the specific seedlots you wish sown. For those offices submitting the general information required on Attachment 1, you will need to furnish the detailed information required on Attachment 2 (Sowing Schedule) once allocations are known for federal, state, and private nurseries. This usually occurs in early December.

Designate the desired conifer seedling size classes by specification codes (G. 1+1--etc.) as described on Attachments 3-1 and 3-2. For non-conifer species, please specify the general minimum desired height and caliper requirements. For westside Oregon Districts, your District Seedling Coordinators can help determine the appropriate nursery, stock-type, size class, and cost of plants to meet your site conditions. Eastside Districts can get assistance with this information by contacting Dave Henneman at the Medford District Office.

In FY07, funding for baseline operation of the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) greenhouses at the Horning and Sprague seed orchards will be held in OR-930 allocations. Conifer seedling production in 3, 4, 7, or 10 cubic inch volume Ray Leach cells, and 5 or 8 cubic inch Styro-blocks are included in the baseline funding allocation. Other container configurations and/or

plant materials besides conifer tree seedlings for subactivity 6320 reforestation projects should be identified on the attached forms, so that space allocations can be made for BLM greenhouse production. However, Districts should budget funds from appropriate funding sources available to them to cover the projected cost for these “other” plants and/or services. You will receive, under separate cover, information about the services provided by the BLM greenhouses and the associated costs. It is important that we get an accurate estimate of plant material needs from all programs that are contemplating orders at BLM greenhouses to support their projects. Please make certain that the person(s) responsible for coordination of fire restoration, wildlife, fisheries, watershed restoration, Jobs-in-the-Woods, botany, etc., projects receives a timely copy of this Information Bulletin.

The cost estimates listed on Attachment 4 are provided for reforestation seedlings to be sown in FY07. Costs are an average of federal, state, and private nursery seedling prices. These costs will be applied to all seedlings requested for reforestation for the purpose of withholding sufficient 6320 program funds in OR-930.

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

Signed by
/s/ Michael S. Mottice

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4 Attachments

- 1 - [Seedling Requirement Form](#) (1p)
- 2 - [Tree Seedling Sowing Schedule](#) (1p)
- 3 - [Seedling Specifications Codes](#) (2pp)
- 4 - [Seedling Cost Estimates](#) (1p)

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