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To: All District Managers

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

Subject: Thinning Training

The Oregon State Office (OSO) has scheduled a training course on thinning design during the week of February 25-29, 2008. This course will be held at the Silver Falls State Park Conference Center in Sublimity, Oregon. Four training slots have been reserved for each of the five Westside Districts. Currently, there are four unreserved slots available for the OSO Staff or extra students from the districts. A separate training session for the Eastside Districts is being planned for later in 2008.

Students and instructors will be housed at the Silver Falls Conference Center Monday through Thursday night. Lodging is available Sunday night for students traveling long distances. Meals will be provided at the conference center from Monday at noon through Friday at noon. Students arriving early will be responsible for their own meals prior to noon on Monday.

A portion of the class will be conducted in the field. Students are expected to bring field gear and safety equipment necessary to work in a forested field environment. Students are encouraged to carpool and to drive government vehicles capable of operating on gravel logging roads.

Districts will need to provide the names of students selected to attend the training to George McFadden by February 1, 2008. Information on any special meal requirements should be supplied along with the registration information. There is no tuition cost for the course and all expenses including travel, will be paid by the OSO.

Course attendance is open to any resource management job series. Districts are encouraged to send staff with a variety of job responsibilities and academic training. The course covers basic thinning concepts but is applicable for students with any level of experience.

The attached agenda outlines the training schedule. If you have any questions about this course or logistics for the training, please contact George McFadden, Silviculturist, at 503-808-6107 or Cellina Burke at 503-808-6038.

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
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1 Attachment

1 - [OR/WA BLM Cruiser/Appraiser Training Draft Agenda](#) (2pp)

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