

### Legend

- BLM Road
- County Road
- ▨ No
- ▨ Wilderness Study Areas

### Administered Lands

- Bureau of Land Management
- Private/Unknown



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## Wilderness Inventory: Mitchell Landing Strip

OR-054-09



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**2008 John Day Basin Wilderness Character Evaluation Form****Wilderness Character Evaluation For: OR-054-009/ Mitchell Landing Strip  
Inventory Unit****1. Previous BLM wilderness inventory?**No ☒ Yes ☐ Partial ☐a) Inventory Source: N/A

b) Inventory Unit Name(s)/Number(s): N/A

c) Map Name(s)/Number(s): N/Ad) BLM District(s)/Field Office(s): N/A

Unit#/ Name	Size (historic acres)	Natural Condition? Y/N	Outstanding Solitude? Y/N	Outstanding Primitive & Unconfined Recreation? Y/N	Supplemental Values? Y/N
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

**Note:** This area was included in the Sutton Mountain Roadless Area review completed by the Central Oregon Resource Area, Prineville District BLM, in 1994. It was dropped from further review at that time, and was not carried forward to a wilderness inventory process.

**2. New Wilderness Characteristic Review**Private Recommendation: Yes ☐ No ☒ By? \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Results of BLM Analysis: (separate by subunit if appropriate)

Unit#/ Name	Size (acres)	Natural Condition? Y/N/NA	Outstanding Solitude? Y/N/NA	Outstanding Primitive & Unconfined Recreation? Y/N/NA	Supplemental Values? Y/N/NA
OR-054-009 Mitchell Landing Strip	1,967	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

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Conclusion

Check One:

☒ Area reviewed lacks sufficient size and does not meet one of the exceptions for small size.

☐ The area-or a portion of the area-has wilderness character.

☐ The area does not have wilderness character.

(1) Describe current conditions: (Include boundary features, land ownership, size, location, topography, vegetation features and summary of major human uses/activities).

The unit is located in Wheeler County, Oregon, north of US Highway 26, approximately 2 miles northwest of the town of Mitchell. The unit is bordered on the north by a graveled BLM-maintained road (The Old Logging Road – BLM Road #7548), on the west by private land, on the south by US Highway 26, and on the east by Oregon State Route 207. The Old Logging Road begins in T 11 S., R 21 E., Section 21 and travels east 3.75 miles to its terminus at Highway 207 in T 11 S., R 21 E., and Section 24. This unit is 1967 acres.

**Location of Unit:** Portions of or all public lands in T. 11 S., R. 21 E., Sections 22, 23, 24, 26, 27, 28, 35.

The Old Logging Road separates the Mitchell Landing Strip unit from Sutton Mountain WSA. At 1,967 acres in size, the Mitchell Landing Strip unit lacks sufficient size to be considered as wilderness, and does not meet one of the exceptions for small size.

(2) Is the unit in a natural condition?

Yes ☐ No ☐ NA ☒

Describe:

(3) Does the unit have outstanding opportunities for solitude?

Yes ☐ No ☐ NA ☒

Description:

(4) Does the unit have outstanding opportunities for primitive and unconfined recreation?

Yes ☐ No ☐ NA ☒

Description:

(5) Does the unit have supplemental values?

Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A ☒

Description:

OR-054-009/ Mitchell Landing Strip

**Prepared by:**

Team Members: (Names, Titles, Date)

Initial Review Aug. 14, 2007 by: Heidi Mottl (Recreation/Wilderness), Teal Purrington (NEPA/Planning), Dorothy Thomas (GIS), Anna Smith (Hydrology), Mike Tietmeyer (Range), Dan Tippy (Assistant Field Manager), Rick Demmer (Riparian), Monte Kuk (Wildlife), Robert Vidourek (Forestry), Mike Williams (Planning), Berry Phelps (Recreation), Craig Obermiller (Range), John Morris (Fish), Dana Cork (Transportation), Christina M. Welch (Field Manager), Don Tschida (Fire), Gavin Hoban (GIS), John Zancanella (Cultural), JoAnne Armson (Plants).

Realty/Mineral Records researched by Timothy Finger, BLM Wilderness Specialist on detail from Richland, UT, October, 2008.

**Approved by:**

Christina M. Welch  
Field Manager

OCT. 31, 2007  
Date

*This form documents information that constitutes an inventory finding on wilderness characteristics. It does not represent a formal land use allocation or a final agency decision subject to administrative remedies under either 43 CFR parts 4 or 1610.5-2.*

## OR-054-009/ Mitchell Landing Strip Inventory Unit

### PURPOSE:

This addendum provides signatory authority across gaps in supervisory oversight in the preparation process.

### DISCUSSION:

Further study has been conducted to validate the findings approved by the original signator, Christina Welch. As the new Field Manger for the Resource Area and Ms. Welch's replacement I have been briefed by the specialists assigned on the contents and underlying rationale for the findings contained in this document. I approve these findings with my signature below.

### APPROVED BY:

  
SIGNATURE

Thursday, July 08, 2010

## John Day Basin RMP Road Analysis Form

(Factors to consider when determining whether a route is a road for wilderness inventory purposes.)

**Wilderness Inventory Area Name and Number (UNIT\_ID):** Mitchell Landing Strip/ OR-054-009

**Route Name and/or Identifier:** Old Logging Road/ BLM Road # 7548

**I. LOCATION:** Please refer to attached map and BLM corporate data (GIS). Route begins in T 11 S., R 21 E., Section 21 and which runs east to its terminus at Highway 207 in T 11 S., R 21 E., Section 24.

**II. CURRENT PURPOSE OF ROUTE:** This route provides recreation access to public lands, administrative access to BLM and access to an Oregon State University fire/vegetative research plot.

### III. ROAD RIGHT-OF-WAY:

Yes \_\_\_\_ No X Unknown \_\_\_\_

### IV. CONSTRUCTION

Yes X No \_\_\_\_

Examples:

Paved \_\_\_\_ Bladed X Graveled X Roadside Berms X  
Cut/Fill X Other \_\_\_\_

### V. IMPROVEMENTS

Yes X No \_\_\_\_

By Hand Tools \_\_\_\_ By Machine X

Culverts \_\_\_\_ Stream Crossings \_\_\_\_ Bridges \_\_\_\_ Drainage X Barriers \_\_\_\_ Other X (2) Cattle Guards \_\_\_\_

### VI. MAINTENANCE:

## OR-054-009/ Mitchell Landing Strip

A. Is there Evidence or Documentation of Maintenance using hand tools or machinery?

Yes X No

Hand Tools (Y/N) Machine Y (Y/N)

Explain: Is the route scheduled to receive maintenance? Yes. See BLM FAMS data in reference section.

B. If route is in good condition, but there is no evidence of maintenance, would mechanical maintenance with hand tools or machines be approved by BLM in the event this route became impassable?

Yes   X   No        N/A       

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

## VII. REGULAR AND CONTINUOUS USE:

Yes X No \_\_\_\_\_

## VIII. CONCLUSION:

To meet the definition of a road, items IV or V, *and* VI-A or B, *and* VII must be checked yes.

Road: Yes X No \_\_\_\_\_

Explanation: This is a well-use, constructed, historical route that used to be the haul road for the Hudspeth Mill west of Mitchell. It probably would have a valid RS2477 claim.

Evaluator(s): Heidi Mottl Date: 9/30/07

\* **road:** An access route which has been **improved and maintained** by **mechanical means** to insure **relatively regular and continuous use**. A way maintained solely by the passage of vehicles does not constitute a road.

a. **“Improved and maintained”** – Actions taken physically by people to keep the road open to vehicle traffic. “Improved” does not necessarily mean formal construction. “Maintained” does not necessarily mean annual maintenance.

b. **“Mechanical means”** – Use of hand or power machinery or tools.

c. **“Relatively regular and continuous use”** – Vehicular use that has occurred and will continue to occur on a relatively regular basis. Examples are: access roads for equipment to maintain a stock water tank or other established water sources; access roads to maintained recreation sites or facilities; or access roads to mining claims.

## REFERENCES

### 1. Realty program

- a. Master Title Plats  
T. 11 S., R 21 E.

### 2. Mineral Program

- a. BLM Oil and Gas Leases (9/5/2001)
- b. BLM LR 2000 data program

### 3. GIS Program

USGS National Map project

BLM GIS data

BLM Lower John Day River public lands map, June 1991

### Team Comments – 8/14/07:

**Tippy-**There is a small roaded area with an airstrip, a county landfill transfer station, a rock pit and an OSU research plot.





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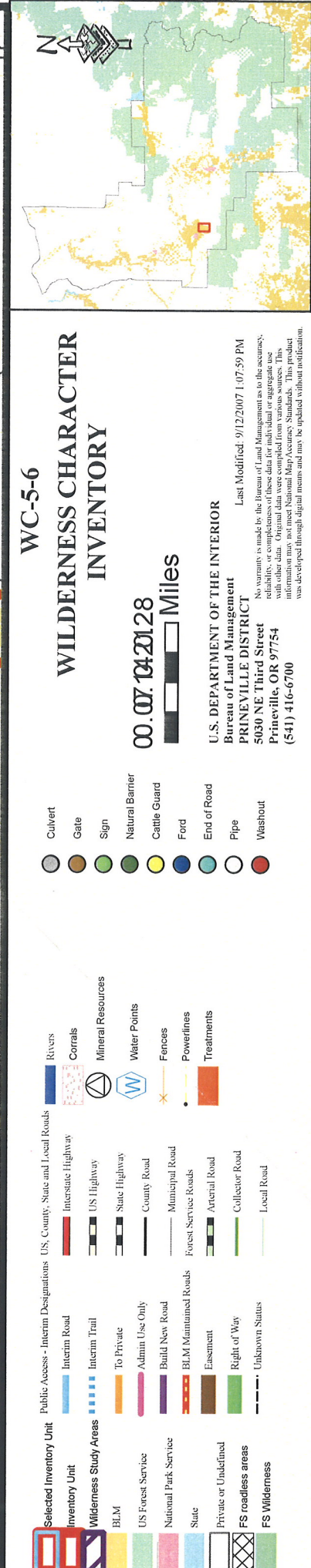
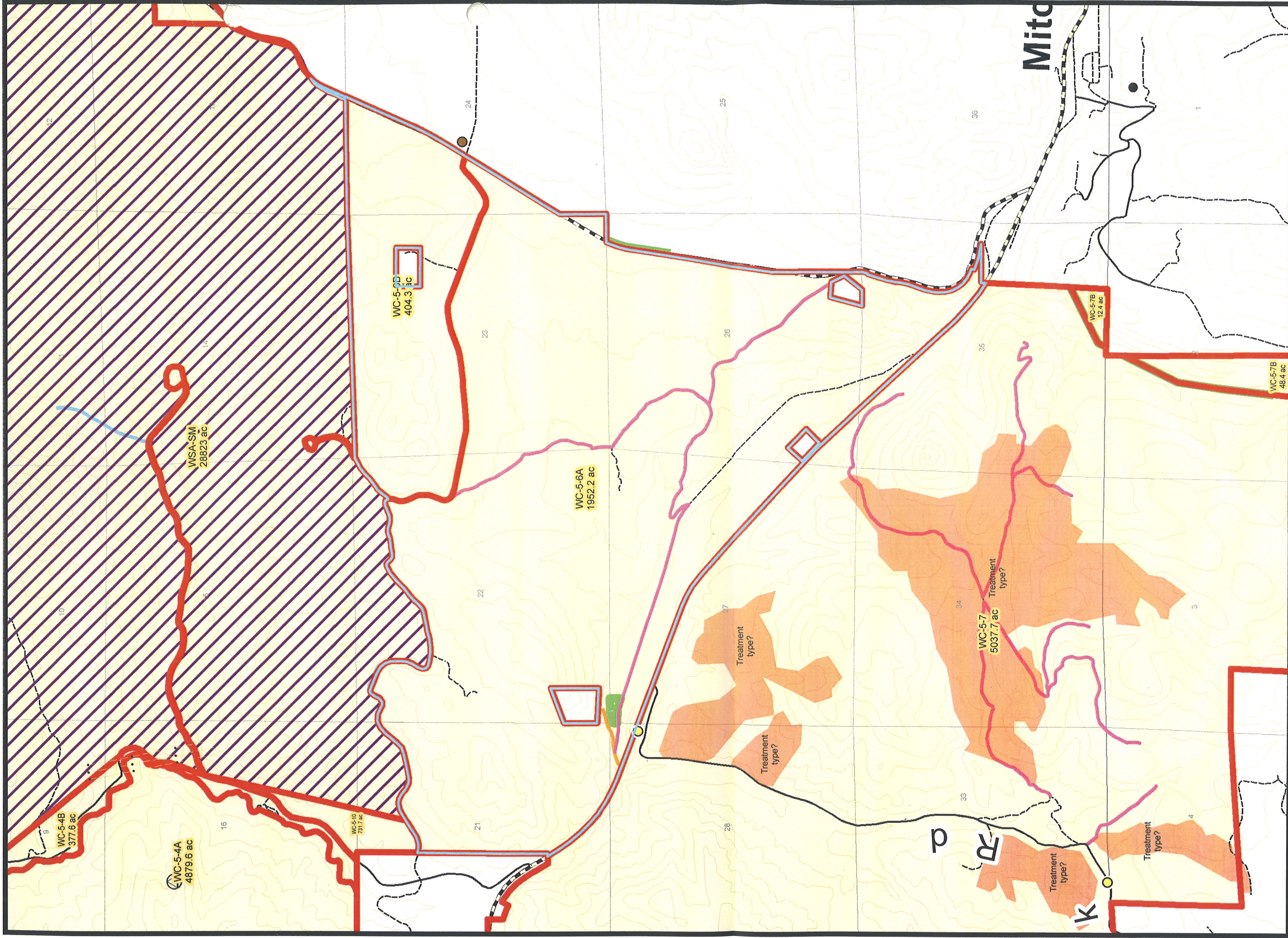
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02/01/1986	868	EFFECTIVE DATE		
02/01/1987	244	TERMINATED		
03/05/1987	350	SIMULTANEOUS PENDING		
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09/08/1988	970	CASE CLOSED		
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CORA FAM Roads

Route Name	Parent Eq. #	Seg.	Child Eq. #	Location T-R-Sec Aliquot	County	Length	Ave. Width	Surface Material	Maint. level	Use Period	Condition	DO Priority	Grade	Pull Ditches	Cut Brush	Clean Culverts	Cattle- Guards	Last Maint.	Other
6207 SF John Day	1392338	OO	1515160	14-26-12 NWSW	Grant	23.11	18	Aggregate	4	All year	Fair	2	x	x		x		2007	place aggregate - 2450 CY
				Total =		23.11													
6203 Franks-Holmes Cr.	1392334	OO	1515157	10-26-6 SENW	Grant	30.11	14	Natural - Grade/Drain	3	May-Oct	Good	3	26 mi	x				2007	
7569 NF John Day	1400528	OO	1517683	6-31-35 SESE	Umatilla	18.8	16	Natural - Grade/Drain	3	all year	FAIR	4	x	as need				2007	
* 7548 Old Logging Rd	1392510	OO	1515199	11-21-21 NENW	Wheeler	3.75	24	Natural - unimproved	3	May-Oct	FAIR							2007	
7559 Priest Hole	1392520	OO	1515203	10-20-02 SWSW	Wheeler	1.34	14	Natural - Grade/Drain	3	May-Oct	FAIR							2007	
6578 South Boundry	1392468	OO	1513041	16-20-34 NESE	Crook	22.11	16	Aggregate	3	Mar-Dec	Good	10	8 mi	as need				2007	
GI Ranch Road	MOU	to	maintain	23-22-10 NESW	Lake	7.5	20	Natural - Grade/Drain	3			8	x	as need				2007	
				Total =		83.61													
6203 Ridge RD	1392333	BO	1515156	11-26-12 NWNE	Grant	10.11	12	Natural - unimproved	2	May-Oct	Good								
6206 Battle Creek	1392335	OO	1512810	12-26-34 SWNE	Grant	8.11	10	Natural - Grade/Drain	2	May-Oct	Fair								
6583 Un-named	1392476	OO	1515192	13-21-35 NWSE	Crook	2.5	10	Natural - unimproved	2	May-Oct	Fair								
7540 Squaw Creek	1392496	OO	1513460	11-26-30 NWSE	Grant	6.51	14	Natural - Grade/Drain	2	May-Oct	Fair	5				*			*install roll dip @ double culverts
7542 Un-named	1392497	AE	1515194	11-25-8 NWSE	Wheeler	0.6	10	Natural - unimproved	2	May-Oct	Fair								
7542 Un-named	1392498	AO	1513461	11-25-3 NWNE	Wheeler	0.9	12	Natural - unimproved	2	May-Oct	Fair								
7542 Black Snag Spring	1392499	BO	1513462	10-25-34 NWSE	Wheeler	2.3	10	Natural - unimproved	2	May-Oct	Fair								
7542 Vortac	1392500	CO	1513463	10-25-33 SWSW	Wheeler	2.1	10	Natural - unimproved	2	May-Oct	Fair								
7542 Un-named	1392501	DO	1513464	10-25-33 NESW	Wheeler	0.4	10	Natural - unimproved	2	May-Oct	Fair								
7542 Un-named	1392502	EO	1515195	10-25-8 SENW	Wheeler	0.9	10	Natural - unimproved	2	May-Oct	Fair								
7542 McGinnis Cr	1392503	OO	1513465	11-25-17 NENW	Wheeler	5.11	12	Natural - Grade/Drain	2	May-Oct	Fair								
7543 Un-named	1392504	AO	1515196	11-24-1 NWNW	Wheeler	0.3	10	Natural - unimproved	2	May-Oct	Fair								
7543 Un-named	1392505	BO	1515197	10-25-30 NESE	Wheeler	0.4	10	Natural - unimproved	2	May-Oct	Fair								
7543 Johnson Creek	1392506	OO	1513466	11-25-4 SWNE	Wheeler	3.61	10	Natural - Grade/Drain	2	May-Oct	Fair								
7546 Cottonwood Creek	1392507	OO	1513467	12-26-29 SESW	Grant	6.05	10	Natural - Grade/Drain	2	May-Oct	Poor								
7547 Un-named	1392508	AO	1515198	13-25-16 NWNW	Wheeler	1	10	Natural - Grade/Drain	2	May-Oct	Poor								
7547 Birch Creek	1392509	OO	1513468	12-25-34 NENW	Wheeler	4.9	10	Natural - Grade/Drain	2	May-Oct	Poor								
6207 Dear Creek	1392336	FO	1515158	16-27-7 SWSE	Grant	3.01	12	Natural - Grade/Drain	2	May-Oct.	Fair								
6207 Indian Creek	1392337	HO	1515159	16-27-33 NWSW	Grant	4.46	14	Natural - Grade/Drain	2	May-Oct.	Good								
6562 un-named	1392450	DO	1513028	19-23-7 NWSE	Crook	2.81	10	Natural - unimproved	2	May-Oct.	Poor								
6562 North End	1392451	OO	1513029	17-22-13 SWNW	Crook	4.7	10	Aggregate	2	May-Oct.	Good								
6562S South End	1392452	OO	1515185	19-23-21 NESE	Crook	3.41	10	Natural - Grade/Drain	2	May-Oct.	Poor								
6564 Un-named	1392453	OO	1513030	17-24-22 NWSW	Crook	3.86	10	Natural - Grade/Drain	2	May-Oct.	Fair								
7569 Skull Canyon Road	1400527	DO	1517682	6-29-3 SESE	Umatilla	1	14	Natural - Grade/Drain	2	all year	FAIR								
7549 Un-named	1392511	AO	1515200	11-21-14 NWNW	Wheeler	1.62	10	Natural - unimproved	2	May-Oct	FAIR								
7549 Meyers Canyon	1392512	OO	1515201	11-21-16 SENE	Wheeler	1.75	18	Natural - Grade/Drain	2	May-Oct	FAIR								
7559 Un-named	1392519	BO	1515202	10-20-02 NWNE	Wheeler	2.52	14	Natural - unimproved	2	May-Oct	FAIR								
Clarno Homestead Road				7-19-32 NESW	Wasco	3	10	Natural - unimproved	2	May-Oct	Poor	12	x						Install Gate
6528 Stoffard Road	1392382	OO	1512973	23-22-7 SWNW	Lake	9.06	16	Natural - Grade/Drain	2	May-Oct	Good								
6539 Un-named	1392407	AO	1512997	22-21-32 NESE	Deschutes	4.26	10	Natural - Grade/Drain	2	May-Oct	Fair								
6539 Un-named	1392408	BA	1515173	23-20-10 SWNE	Lake	2.11	10	Natural - unimproved	2	May-Oct	Poor								
6539 Un-named	1392409	EO	1515174	23-20-11 NWSE	Lake	3.55	10	Natural - Grade/Drain	2	May-Oct	Poor								
6539 Un-named	1392410	CO	1515175	23-21-20 NWNW	Lake	7.36	10	Natural - Grade/Drain	2	May-Oct	Poor								
6539 Un-named	1392411	DO	1515176	23-21-22 NWNW	Lake	9.06	10	Natural - Grade/Drain	2	May-Oct	Fair								
6539 Three Wells	1392412	OO	1512998	22-21-8 SESE	Deschutes	17.35	12	Natural - Grade/Drain	2	May-Oct	Good								
6540 Un-named	1392413	AO	1512999	20-22-16 NENE	Crook	3.36	10	Natural - Grade/Drain	2	May-Oct	Poor								
6540 Un-named	1392414	BO	1513000	23-22-25 SESE	Lake	4.56	10	Natural - Grade/Drain	2	May-Oct	Fair								
6540 Un-named	1392415	CO	1513001	24-22-01 SENW	Lake	5.41	10	Natural - Grade/Drain	2	May-Oct	Poor								
6540 Glass Buttes	1392416	OO	1513002	23-22-12 SWSW	Lake	9.11	12	Natural - Grade/Drain	2	May-Oct	Good	9	6.5 miles						Upto Priv. Prop. T23-R22-S35
6545 Un-named	1392425	AO	1515179	21-21-34 SENW	Crook	1.6	10	Natural - Grade/Drain	2	May-Oct	Poor								
6545 Un-named	1392426	OO	1513009	22-21-08 NWSW	Deschutes	11.85	10	Natural - Grade/Drain	2	May-Oct	Fair								