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Welcome to the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Northwest Oregon District's Spring 2023 Quarterly Planning Update. The purpose of this publication is to provide you with information and invite your comments on proposed BLM-administered activities within the Northwest Oregon District (District).

In 2020, three large wildfires burned through 69,694 acres of the BLM Northwest Oregon District's forested landscape. The scope of these fires affected BLM-managed land in two Northwest Oregon District Field Offices: Cascades and Upper Willamette. The Riverside Fire impacted 12,600 BLM acres; the Beachie Creek Fire impacted 38,494 acres; and the Holiday Farm Fire impacted 18,600 acres. The acreage within the fire perimeters includes unburned areas, and areas burned at high, moderate, or low severity, or for which the BLM has no burn data (Western Oregon RMPs 5-year Evaluation Report).

The effects of the 2020 wildfires constituted new information, pursuant to 50 CFR § 402.16(a)(2), triggering reinitiation of consultation. Specifically, the 2020 wildfires' effects in the Western Cascades physiographic province impacted the Cascades and Upper Willamette BLM Field Offices and constituted new information pertaining to northern spotted owl habitat and critical habitat baseline changes that the BLM did not consider in the 2019 Biological Assessment (BA). (TAILS: 01EOFW00-2020-F-0170) As in the 2019 BA, the analysis in the 2020 Biological Opinion (pp. 143-147, 158, 160) assumed negligible habitat loss due to wildfires and other natural disturbances for BLM-administered lands.

In 2021-2022, the BLM updated the 2019 BA with the new baseline data which includes habitat loss from the 2020 wildfires and the 2021 revised designation of spotted owl critical habitat and reinitiated consultation on the effects to northern spotted owls with the Service on January 20, 2023. On May 24, 2023, the Service issued the 2023 Biological Opinion replacing the 2020 Biological Opinion. The Biological Opinion is available on the Service's ECOshpere website <a href="https://reports.ecosphere.fws.gov/FWSPublicReports/Reports/Index?reportname=BiologicalOpinionReport">https://reports.ecosphere.fws.gov/FWSPublicReports/Reports/Index?reportname=BiologicalOpinionReport</a>.

The District reinitiated and completed consultation under Section 7(a)(2) of the Endangered Species Act with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) for timber harvest and routine actions due to changes in baseline habitat conditions for northern spotted owls caused by the 2020 wildfires. The District will review ongoing projects originally in compliance with the 2020 Biological Opinion to ensure that the projects' environmental analyses are still valid in light of

the new information contained in the 2023 Biological Opinion. Table 1, in the Spring Quarterly Planning Update, shows the Northwest Oregon District NEPA documents that we will review. We welcome your comments regarding any changes to the NEPA analyses that may be necessary in light of any new information in the 2023 Biological Opinion. Comments received by June 20, 2023, would be particularly beneficial to us in reviewing our projects. The BLM is not and cannot accept comments on the Service's 2023 Biological Opinion.

Additionally, my intent is to increase the public's awareness regarding BLM issues, activities, opportunities, and to obtain the public's comments on the other projects listed in Tables 2–7. Your comments and are very important and appreciated. They help us make informed decisions, implement sound land management actions, and improve our projects. Please send your comments to BLM OR NO Publiccomments NEPA@blm.gov.

The District posts all NEPA documents and decisions on the BLM National NEPA register (ePlanning). Please see the second section of this publication for more information about the ePlanning website.

We welcome your comments for our consideration and thank you for your continued interest!

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# Bureau of Land Management Northwest Oregon District Quarterly Planning Update Spring 2023

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#### **Projects Described in this Document**

**Table 1** below describes ongoing District projects under review for consistency with the 2023 Biological Opinion.

Tables 2–7, below, describe the planning status of current projects. Projects are organized by Field Office or District and project type and provided for each are the project name/description, location, planning status, and contact person. Projects started and completed between editions of this document have gone through the full analysis process. The BLM notifies the public of these projects through this document; mailings and emails to contacts on the Northwest Oregon District Field Offices' National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) notification lists; newspaper legal notices; and postings on the BLM National NEPA register website (ePlanning). Previous Planning Updates for the Northwest Oregon District are available at: https://www.blm.gov/programs/planning-and-nepa/plans-in-development/oregon-washington

The timber sale plans for FY 2023 are available at https://www.blm.gov/or/resources/forests/index.php

#### **BLM's National NEPA Registry Website (ePlanning)**

To access ePlanning, go to: <a href="https://eplanning.blm.gov/eplanning-ui/home">https://eplanning.blm.gov/eplanning-ui/home</a>. Under "Find a Project" you can search by "State" (*Oregon/Washington*), Office (select *NW Oregon District Office* for Northwest Oregon District projects, select *Cascades FO* (Field Office) for Cascades projects, select *Marys Peak FO* for Marys Peak projects, select *Siuslaw FO* for Siuslaw projects, select *Tillamook FO* for Tillamook projects, and select *Upper Willamette FO* for Upper Willamette projects).

You can also search by "Type(s)" of document (*Categorical Exclusions*, *Determination of NEPA Adequacy*, *Environmental Assessment*, *Environmental Impact Statement*), resource "Program(s)", and fiscal "Year(s)" (October to September) the project was entered into ePlanning. You do not need to fill out all options to search. Check the box next to "Show only open participation periods" to see projects with open comment periods. Unselect the box next to "Show only active projects" if you want to see all projects within a given Office, Type, Program, and/or Year. Then click the *Search* button to display the results of your search.

You can also search for a specific project by entering the NEPA number or project name, which can be found in the "Name/Description of Project" column in Tables 1–6 below.

If you are viewing the Quarterly Planning Update electronically, you may click on the project name in Tables 1–7 to access the ePlanning project page directly.

### **Acronyms and Definitions**

**Biological Opinion (BiOp)** – The document resulting from formal consultation that states the opinion of the fish and Wildlife Service or National Marine Fisheries Service as to whether or not a Federal agency action is likely to jeopardize the continued existence of ESA-listed species or results in destruction or adverse modification of critical habitat.

Categorical Exclusion (CX): A category of actions (identified in agency guidance) that do not have a significant effect on the quality of the human environment and for which neither an environmental assessment nor an environmental impact statement is required.

Congressionally Reserved Lands and National Conservation Lands (CRLNCL): Includes Congressionally Reserved Lands that congress has designated and defined management through law, such as designated Wilderness, Wilderness Study Areas, designated Wild and Scenic Rivers, National Scenic and Historic Trails, and Outstanding Natural Areas. This land use allocation also includes eligible and suitable Wild and Scenic Rivers.

**Decision Record (DR):** The BLM decision document associated with an EA that describes the action to be taken when the analysis supports a finding of no significant impact.

**Determination of NEPA Adequacy (DNA):** An interim step in the BLM's internal analysis process that concludes that a proposed action is adequately analyzed in an existing NEPA document (an EIS or EA). Where applicable, the determination also addresses conformance with an approved land use plan.

**District Designated Reserve (DDR):** One of the federal land use allocations set forth in the 2016 Northwestern and Coastal Oregon Resource Management Plan (RMP). The objective of this land use allocation is to maintain the values and resources for which the BLM has reserved these areas from sustained-yield harvest. These lands include constructed facilities and infrastructure, such as seed orchards, roads, communication sites, quarries, buildings, and maintenance yards, as well as Areas of Critical Environmental Concern (ACEC), Timber Production Capabilities Classification (TPCC) lands, and Lands Managed for their Wilderness Characteristics (LWC).

**Environmental Assessment (EA):** A public document prepared pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) that provides sufficient evidence and analysis to determine whether a federal undertaking would significantly affect the quality of the human environment. If the answer is no, the agency issues a finding of no significant impact (FONSI), otherwise, the agency would be required to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to pursue the project.

**Environmental Impact Statement (EIS):** A document required by NEPA to assess the potential impacts of federal agency actions "significantly affecting the quality of the human environment."

Extensive Recreation management Areas (ERMA): are administrative units that require specific management consideration to address recreation use or demand, but where recreation management is commensurate and considered in context with the management of other resources and resource uses.

**ESA:** Endangered Species Act of 1973.

**Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI):** A finding that explains how an action will not have a significant effect on the quality of the human environment pursuant to NEPA, and, therefore, an environmental impact statement would not be required.

FY: Fiscal Year. Beginning October 1 of one year and ending September 30 of the following year.

Harvest Land Base (HLB): One of the federal land use allocations set forth in the Northwestern and Coastal Oregon RMP. Those lands on which the determination and declaration of the Annual Productive Capacity/Allowable Sale Quantity (ASQ) is based. The ASQ is based on implementing a set of specific timber management activities and assumes those practices will be repeated over time and results in a sustainable harvest level. This includes the Moderate Intensity Timber Area (MITA) and Low Intensity Timber Area (LITA).

Land Use Allocation (LUA): A designation defining uses that are allowed, restricted, or prohibited for a particular area of land. The LUAs are Congressionally Reserved Lands and National Conservation Lands, District-Designated Reserve, Harvest Land Base, Late-Successional Reserve, and Riparian Reserve.

Late-Successional Reserve (LSR): One of the federal land use allocations set forth in the Northwestern and Coastal Oregon RMP land use allocations. The Northwestern and Coastal Oregon RMP designated lands to a land use allocation of the same name, but the objectives of the LSR are to manage habitat for the northern spotted owl and marbled murrelet.

**Low Intensity Timber Area (LITA):** A sub-allocation of the Harvest Land Base land use allocation. See Harvest Land Base.

MBF: Thousand board feet of timber.

MMBF: Million board feet of timber.

**Moderate Intensity Timber Area (MITA):** A sub-allocation of the Harvest Land Base land use allocation. See Harvest Land Base.

**National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA):** A federal law that requires agencies to determine if their proposed actions would have significant environmental effects on the quality of the human environment. The NEPA procedures ensure that environmental information is available to the public, and that the public has an opportunity to participate in the process before federal agency decisions are made and before actions are taken that may have a significant effect on the environment. The NEPA process provides an understanding of the environmental consequences of a proposed action and action alternatives to assist federal agency officials in decision-making.

**Regeneration harvest:** Any removal of trees intended to assist regeneration already present or to make regeneration possible.

**Riparian Reserve (RR):** One of the federal land use allocations set forth in the 2016 Northwestern and Coastal Oregon RMP. Lands within the Riparian Reserve were designated to manage for ESA-listed fish species and their habitats and water quality.

**Salvage harvest:** Removal of dead trees or of trees damaged or dying because of injurious agents other than competition, to recover their economic value.

SBA: Small Business Administration.

**Special Recreation Management Area (SRMA):** BLM designated units where recreation management is the predominant land use plan focus and where the BLM intends to manage and provide specific recreation opportunities and recreation setting characteristics on a long-term basis.

**Sustained Yield Unit (SYU):** An administrative unit for which an allowable sale quantity is calculated. In western Oregon, the six sustained yield units correspond to the Coos Bay; Eugene; Medford, Roseburg, and Salem Districts, and the western portion of the Klamath Falls Field Office. The consolidation of the Salem and Eugene Districts did not affect sustained yield units.

Thinning - Commercial Thinning/Density Management: Commercial thinning is stand thinning in which some, or all, the cut trees are removed from the stand for timber. Density Management is the cutting of trees for the primary purpose of widening their spacing so that growth of remaining trees can be accelerated. Density management harvest can also be used to improve forest health, to open the forest canopy, or to accelerate the attainment of old growth characteristics if maintenance or restoration of biological diversity is the objective. Specific objectives would vary by land use allocation.

USFWS: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

Wild and Scenic Rivers system (WSR): A system of nationally designated rivers and their immediate environments that have outstanding scenic, recreational, geologic, fish and wildlife, historic cultural, or other similar values and are preserved in a free-flowing condition.

Table 1 NEPA Projects affected by 2020 Biological Opinion consultation reinitiation

Northwest Oregon District Project Review with the 2023 Biological Opinion			
Name and Project Description	Location	Planning Status	Contact
Row River MITA EA (DOI-BLM-ORWA-N050-2017-0001-EA): The Upper Willamette Field Office is reviewing the EA analysis for conformance with the 2023 Biological Opinion for Timber Harvest and Routine Actions. New information in the Biological Opinion may have bearing on the northern spotted owl analyses in the EA.	T.20S., R2W., section 35; T.20S., R.1W., section 31; T.21S., R.2W., section 1; T.22S., R.1 W., sections 5, 9,	DNA in Progress	David Butler dbutler@blm.gov (541) 683-6417
Shotcash Timber Sale EA (DOI-BLM-ORWA-N050-2018-0014-EA): The Upper Willamette Field Office is reviewing the EA analysis for conformance with the 2023 Biological Opinion for Timber Harvest and Routine Actions. New information in the Biological Opinion may have bearing on the northern spotted owl analyses in the EA.	T.15S., R.1W., section 31; T.15S., R.2W., sections, 25, 26, 28, 33, and 36 T.16S., R.1W., section 6	DNA in Progress	David Butler dbutler@blm.gov (541) 683-6417
King Mosby EA (DOI-BLM-ORWA-N050-2019-0002-EA): The Upper Willamette Field Office is reviewing the EA analysis for conformance with the 2023 Biological Opinion for Timber Harvest and Routine Actions. New information in the Biological Opinion may have bearing on the northern spotted owl analyses in the EA.	T.21S.,R.2W., sections , 25, and 35;	DNA in Progress	David Butler dbutler@blm.gov (541) 683-6417
Marcola Sunrise EA (DOI-BLM-ORWA-N050-0007-EA): The Upper Willamette Field Office is reviewing the EA analysis for conformance with the 2023 Biological Opinion for Timber Harvest and Routine Actions. New information in the Biological Opinion may have bearing on the northern spotted owl analyses in the EA.	T.16S., R.1E., sections 7, 21, 29, 31; T.16S., R.1W., sections 11, 13, 15, 17, 21, 23, 25, 27, 29, 33, 35; T.16S., R.2W., section 25; T.17S., R.2W., section 13; T.17S., R.1W., sections 1, 3, 5, 9, 11, 15, 17, 19	DNA in Progress	David Butler dbutler@blm.gov (541) 683-6417

Cascades Field Office Roadside Hazard Tree Removal Project EA (DOI-BLM-ORWA-N010_2021-0005-EA): The Cascades Field Office is reviewing the EA analysis for conformance with the 2023 Biological Opinion for Timber Harvest and Routine Actions. New information in the Biological Opinion may have bearing on the northern spotted owl analyses in the EA.	BLM-administered lands and road systems within the 2020 fire perimeters. Marion and Clackamas Counties	DNA in Progress	Tanner Hartman tohartman@blm.gov (503) 315-5966
Bi-County Timber Management Project EA (DOI-BLM-ORWA-N010-2017-0008-EA): The Cascades Field Office is reviewing the EA analysis for conformance with the 2023 Biological Opinion for Timber Harvest and Routine Actions. New information in the Biological Opinion may have bearing on the northern spotted owl analyses in the EA.	T.6S. R. IE., sections 13, 25; T.7S., R.2E., sections 9, 15, 23, 27, 33. Abiqua-Pudding Creek, Butte-Pudding Creek, and Rock Creek Watersheds, Marion and Clackamas Counties	DNA in Progress	Tanner Hartman tohartman@blm.gov (503) 315-5966
Little K Forest Management EA (DOI-BLM-ORWA-N020-2019-0011-EA): The BLM is proposing timber harvest on approximately 460 acres within the Harvest Land Base (MITA). No projects have been implemented under this EA to date. The Marys Peak Field Office is reviewing the EA analysis for conformance with the 2023 Biological Opinion for Timber Harvest and Routine Actions. New information in the Biological Opinion may have bearing on the northern spotted owl analyses in the EA.	T.7S., R.7W., section 31, and T.8S., R.8W., section 11. Polk County	EA in progress. BLM set this project aside prior to signing the FONSI. Project planning to be resumed after being paused due to the 2020 fires.	Stefanie Winfree swinfree@blm.gov (503) 375-5601
Teal Creek Forest Management Project (DOI-BLM-ORWA-N020-2018-0010-EA): The Marys Peak Field Office is reviewing the EA analysis for conformance with the 2023 Biological Opinion for Timber Harvest and Routine Actions. New information in the Biological Opinion may have bearing on the northern spotted owl analyses in the EA.	T.9S., R.6W., section 5; T.8S., R.6W., section 31. Luckiamute Watershed, Polk County, Oregon.	DNA in Progress	Victoria Coraci vcoraci@blm.gov (503) 375-5638
North Yamhill Timber Management Project (DOI-BLM-ORWA-N040-2018-0006-EA): The Tillamook Field Office is reviewing the EA analysis for conformance with the 2023 Biological Opinion for Timber Harvest and Routine Actions. New information in the Biological Opinion may have bearing on the northern spotted owl analyses in the EA.	Upper North Yamhill River 6th field sub watershed, Yamhill County, Oregon	DNA in Progress.	Andy Pampush apampush@blm.gov (503) 815-1143
Coast Creek Timber Management Project (DOI-BLM-ORWA-N040-2020-0001-EA): The Tillamook Field Office is reviewing the EA analysis for conformance with the 2023 Biological Opinion for Timber Harvest and Routine Actions. New information in the Biological Opinion may have bearing on the northern spotted owl analyses in the EA.	Coast Creek sub watershed of the Willamina Creek 5th field watershed, Yamhill County, Oregon	DNA in Progress.	Andy Pampush apampush@blm.gov (503) 815-1143

**Table 2. Cascades Field Office** 

Cascades Field Office Cascades Field Office Projects			
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Vegetatio	n Management A	ctions	
Green Peter Timber Management Project (DOI-BLM-ORWA-N010-2019-0015-EA) This project proposes commercial thinning and regeneration harvest on approximately 430 acres under multiple timber sales within the HLB LUA and 108	8		Tanner Hartman tohartman@blm.gov (503) 315-5966
	Linn County		
Mr. Walton's Opus Timber Management Project (DOI-BLM-ORWA-N010-2020-0013-EA) This project proposes thinning and regeneration harvest on approximately 786 acres under multiple timber sales within the HLB LUA. Also proposed are treatments within an 8-acre RR LUA to improve fish and aquatic habitat.	T. 4 S., R. 4 E., Sections 23 and 35; T. 5 S., R. 4 E., Sections 2 and 3; T. 5 S., R. 4 E., Sections 3, 5, 9 and 10; T. 5 S., R. 4 E., Sections 7, 9, 10 and 17, Clackamas County	Project planning to be resumed in April after being paused after the 2020 fires. Preparation and planning phase. Scoping complete Spring 2020.	Tanner Hartman tohartman@blm.gov (503) 315-5966
Post Fire 1	Restoration and Sa	alvage	
BLM Parks Salvage and Hazard Tree Removal Project - Little North Fork Santiam River (DOI-BLM-ORWA-N010-0010-DNA; previously listed as DOI-BLM-ORWA-N010-2022-0003-CX) The BLM is proposing post-fire hazardous tree removal in three recreation sites on 78-acres within the Beachie Creek Fire perimeter; in the Elkhorn Recreation Site, Canyon Creek Recreation Site, and the North Fork County Park on CRLNCL LUA.	T. 9 S., R. 3 E., Sections 7, 9, Marion County	Final DNA and Decision published August 16, 2022. No appeals received.	Tanner Hartman tohartman@blm.gov (503) 315-5966
(NEPA Number TBD) The BLM is proposing post-fire roadside hazardous tree removal along BLM roads within the Beachie Creek Fire area starting in fiscal year 2024. Approximately 5.3 miles, or 175 acres, of burned RR, LSR, and CRLNCL LUAs. Only hazard trees within striking distance of roads (approximately 160 feet) will be removed.	Clackamas County T. 6 S. R. 3E., Section 31; T. 7 S. R. 3 E., Sections 6, 7, 15, 16, 17, 21, 22; T. 6 S. R. 2 E. Sections 29, 33	Preparation and Planning. DNA to be completed August/September 2023	Tanner Hartman Tohartman@blm.gov (503) 315-5966
Black Horse Fire Salvage Project (DOI-BLM-ORWA-N010-2021-0006-CX) The project proposes salvaging up to 250 acres within the HLB LUA to recover economic value of dead and dying trees. Salvage operations would include both cable and ground-based logging.	T. 7 S., R. 3 E., Sections 15, 21, 22, 23, 24, 26, and 27, Clackamas County	Appealed to IBLA on 6/28/2021; Request for Stay denied on 7/9/2021. Operations complete. Contract expires 9/9/2023.	Tanner Hartman tohartman@blm.gov (503) 315-5966
Re	creation Actions		

Elkhorn Creek Wild and Scenic River Comprehensive River Management Plan (DOI-BLM-ORWA-N010-2021-0018-EA) BLM is developing a Comprehensive River Management Plan (CRMP) with the US Forest Service for the Elkhorn Creek WSR.	T. 9 S., R. 3 E., Sections 1, 2, 11, 12; T. 9 S., R. 4 E., Sections 2-14, Marion County	In progress EA is expected to be available for public review in Spring of 2023. River Values Report released for public review in August 2021.	Cara Hand <u>chand@blm.gov</u> (917) 375-3984
Miscelland	eous Land Use Re	quests	
Walter Horning Seed Orchard Hoop Building Construction (DOI-BLM-ORWA-N010-2022-0017-EA) The project proposes constructing two prefabricated hoop buildings (building size 42 ft wide x 17ft high x 100 ft long) on one-fifth acre site at Walter Horning Seed Orchard near Colton, OR. Additional storage capacity is needed starting in 2023 for second generation orchards reaching cone production age.	Walter Horning Seed Orchard Administrative Site in Colton, OR.  T. 4 S., R. 3 E., Section 13, Clackamas County	Complete. Decision signed March 6, 2023. Appeal period closes April 6.	Tanner Hartman tohartman@blm.gov (503) 315-5966
Oregon Department of Forestry (ODF) Mt. Horeb Solar Installation Lease Amendment (NEPA number TBD)  ODF proposes to place a solar panel array at their Mt. Horeb radio tower site (OROR-33887). ODF would use four ecology blocks set on top of the ground surface as a foundation for the solar system. The solar panel array would be used to replace the commercial power source that was damaged during the 2020 fires. The power company is not replacing the power lines. Because this site is an emergency communications facility, public health and safety is at issue due to the lack of power.	T. 9 S., R. 4 E., Section 19, Mt. Horeb, Marion County	Planned. Waiting on ODF to update SF-299 application.	Amy Herburger  aherburger@blm.gov  (503) 315-5917
Avery Interests Reciprocal Right-of-Way Agreement Amendment to S-536 (NEPA number TBD) Avery Interests proposes to add existing roads 10-1E-24.1 and 11-2E-5 to its reciprocal right-of-way agreement, S-536. All road segments would total 0.96 miles.	T. 10 S., R. 2 E., Section 19; and T. 11 S., R. 2 E., Section 5, Linn County	Planned	Amy Herburger <u>aherburger@blm.gov</u> (503) 315-5917

**Table 3. Marys Peak Field Office** 

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Marys Peak	Field Office	Projects	
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Central Boulder Forest Management EA (DOI-BLM-ORWA-N020-2022-0004-EA) The BLM is planning a forest management project  Actions being considered include but are not limited to regeneration harvest, thinning, road work, and post-	T. 7 S., R. 8 W., Sections 27 and 35; T. 8 S., R. 8 W., Section 1, Willamette Meridian.	ctions	Macrina Lesniak mlesniak@blm.gov (503) 315-5963
2023-2024 Marys Peak Field Office Forest Stand  Management (DOI-BLM-ORWA-N020-2023-0001-CX) The BLM proposes conducting a range of silvicultural treatments, ensuring the establishment, survival, health, and vigor of desirable conifer, hardwood, shrub, and herb species throughout the Marys Peak Field Office. Actions include but are not limited to manual site preparation, manual maintenance (vegetation/brush cutting, and hardwood/conifer release), and pre-commercial thinning.	BLM-managed lands within the Marys Peak Field Office	CX and DR completed February 2023.	Jay Torland jtorland@blm.gov (503) 589-6826
Cefir Miles Density Mangement Project DNA (DOI-BLM-ORWA-N020-2023-0005-DNA)  The BLM is proposing to restore complex late-successional forests through the Cefir Miles Density Management Project with actions analyzed in the N126 LSR Landscape Plan (DOI-BLM-ORWA-N030-2018-0022-EA). The project would develop the ecological characteristics of 11 stands, together equaling 242 acres of designated Late-Successional	T.15 S., R. 8 W., Sections. 4, 7, 9, 16, and 17 and T.15 S., R. 9 W., Section 12. Willamette Meridian	In Progress.  DNA running from May 1st 2023, until	Kevin Foster kwfoster@blm.gov (503) 589-6850
The BLM is currently not planning a	creation Actions	n the Marie Deak Field (	Office
	storation Actions	iii tiie iviaiys i eak i ietu (	Jince.
Reese Creek Restoration DNA (DOI-BLM-ORWA-N020-2023-0004-DNA) The Proposed Action is to place large woody debris in Reese Creek, recontour and stabilize eroding banks, remove a culvert on a non-fish bearing stream, replace an undersized perched culvert on a fish bearing stream to allow for full fish passage at all flow regimes on a tributary to Reese Creek, and complete riparian planting/weed treatment in the project area. The Project will improve water quality, fish and aquatic organism habitat as well as providing passage and access to cold water refuge habitat and meet culvert sizing			Douglas Fitting dfitting@blm.gov (503) 315-5918
Glenbrook Culvert Replacement DNA (DOI-BLM-ORWA-N020-2023-0003-DNA) The BLM proposes to replace an existing 60" x 80' round Corrugated Metal Pipe Culvert. The existing culvert crossing is perched and undersized for meeting 100-year flow events, is increasingly at risk of failure due to age and deterioration and is currently partially or fully blocking upstream fish passage. The	T. 7 S., R. 6 W., Section 5, Lower Mill Creek subwatershed, Polk County, Oregon.	DNA and DR completed March 2023	Douglas Fitting dfitting@blm.gov (503) 315-5918

replacement will be a 16' span x 90' long bottomless pipe arch culvert to better aide aquatic organism				
passage. The project is located in the Lower Mill Creek 6th Field Watershed in Polk County,				
approximately 8 miles northwest of Dallas, Oregon.				
South Fork Alsea River Large Woody Debris Adjustment and Mid Coast Watershed Council Fish Log Source DNA (DOI-BLM-ORWA-N020-2023-0002-DNA) The BLM proposes to adjust up to 50 pieces of existing large woody debris (LWD) in the South Fork Alsea River. An excavator will be used to place and pull the pieces of LWD that has floated out of the channel, back into the channel and key them into the stabile LWD that remain in the channel. The BLM proposes to	T. 7 S., R. 7 W., Section 2 and 29; T. 13 S., R. 7 W., Sections 3 and 31; T. 13 S., R. 8 W., Section 35 and 31; T. 14 S., R. 7 W., Sections 21, 27, 28, 32, and 33,	DNA to be posted in May 2023	Douglas Fitting dfitting@blm.gov (503) 315-5918	
provide LWD pieces to the Mid Coast Watershed Council from multiple source areas to be used in a				
tidewater restoration project being planned for Drift				
Creek on USFS managed lands.				
Miscellaneous Land Use Requests				
Process Requests (EA/CX/DNA)	Marys Peak Field	Ongoing	Stefanie Winfree	
For various land uses such as rights-of-way, tailholds,	Office-wide		swinfree@blm.gov (503)	
and special use permits.			375-5601	

**Table 4. Siuslaw Field Office** 

Siuslaw Field Office Projects			
Name and Project Description	Location	Planning Status	Contact
Vegetation	on Management A	ctions	
N126 LSR Landscape Plan Project (DOI-BLM-ORWA-N030-2018-0022-EA) The BLM is programmatically analyzing actions to restore late-successional complex stands, ensuring functional wood is available to adjacent streams on 30,047 acres of LSR and RR LUAs. Projects are currently being planned and implemented based on the selected Alternative 5 in the EA.	BLM reserve LUAs West of Hwy 97, North of Hwy 126, East of Hwy 101, and South of Hwy 20.	The N126 LSR Landscape Plan Project is complete. Litigation is pending with a complaint filed in U.S. Dist. Ct. for the Dist. of Oregon on May 25, 2022.	Morgan Schneider <u>mdschneider@blm.gov</u> (541) 683-6407
Walker Point Density Management Project (DOI-BLM-ORWA-N030-2022-0001-DNA) The BLM proposes Density Management using commercial thinning, dead wood creation, fuels treatment, road construction, renovation, maintenance, decommissioning, invasive weed mitigation, and all applicable resource mitigation measures. The project site is located within the N126 LSR Landscape Plan Project EA planning area.	T. 17 S., R. 8 W., Sections 21, 22, and 27.	Decision authorized on March 8,2023	Morgan Schneider  mdschneider@blm.gov  (541) 683-6407

Tomcat Divide Density Management Project (DOI-BLM-ORWA-N030-2022-0004-DNA) The BLM proposes Density Management using commercial thinning, dead wood creation, fuels treatment, road construction, renovation, maintenance, and decommissioning, invasive weed mitigation, and all applicable resource mitigation measures. The project site is located within the N126 LSR Landscape Plan Project EA Planning Area	T. 17 S., R. 7 W., Sections 5 and 9	Decision authorized on March 8,2023	Morgan Schneider mdschneider@blm.gov (541) 683-6407	
Upper Greenleaf Density Management Project (DOI-BLM-ORWA-N030-2023-0002-DNA) The BLM proposes Density Management using commercial thinning, dead wood creation, fuels treatment, road construction, renovation, maintenance, and decommissioning, invasive weed mitigation, and all applicable resource mitigation measures. The project site is located within the N126 LSR Landscape Plan Project EA Planning Area	T. 16 S., R. 8 W. Sections 1, 3 and 11	Decision authorized on March 8,2023	Morgan Schneider <u>mdschneider@blm.gov</u> (541) 683-6407	
Siuslaw HLB Landscape Plan (DOI-BLM-ORWA-N030-2020-0002-EA) The BLM programmatically analyzed commercial timber harvest and associated connected actions (e.g., road construction, renovation, or improvement, fuels treatments, dead wood creation, etc.) on 13,225 HLB LUA acres within the Siuslaw Field Office. This programmatic analysis is not an implementation plan. It is a broad look at commercial timber harvest effects across the analysis area.	HLB within the Siuslaw Field Office	Decision issued on April 1, 2022. Litigation pending complaint challenging Project filed in U.S. Dist. Ct. for the Dist. of Oregon on September 9, 2022.	Morgan Schneider <u>mdschneider@blm.gov</u> (541) 683-6407	
	<b>Public Safety</b>			
Hult Reservoir and Dam Safety Environmental Impact Statement (DOI-BLM-ORWA-N030-2018-0010-EIS) The BLM is considering reducing the dam risk, such as dam removal, allowing the creek to flow freely through the area. The Notice of Intent was published in the Federal Register on 12/30/21. Find more information on the project website: https://www.blm.gov/programs/planning-and-nepa/plans-in-development/oregon-washington/hult-dam	T. 15 S., R. 7 W., Section 26	In progress	Morgan Schneider <u>mdschneider@blm.gov</u> (541) 683-6407	
	eous Land Use Re	-		
Process Requests (EA/CX/DNA) For various land uses such as rights-of-way, tailholds, and special use permits.	Siuslaw Field Office-wide	Ongoing	Morgan Schneider mdschneider@blm.gov (541) 683-6407	
West Eugene Wetlands Actions				
WEW Administrative Building Environmental Assessment (DOI-BLM-ORWA-N030-2021-0012-EA) The BLM is proposing to replace the administrative building that provides office space for BLM staff at the West Eugene Wetlands (WEW) office complex, 751 S. Danebo Avenue, 97402. The larger WEW planning area comprises approximately 1,340 acres of BLM-administered land within and near the city of Eugene, Oregon.	West Eugene Wetlands	Complete Decision signed on January 20, 2023	Morgan Schneider  mdschneider@blm.gov (541) 683-6407	

**Table 5. Tillamook Field Office** 

rece Projects Planning Status ent Actions  EA complete with FONSI signed in August 2019. The final timber sale decision is expected in the summer of 2023 with the timber to be offered for sale in fall 2023.	Andy Pampush apampush@blm.gov (503) 815-1143
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EA complete with FONSI signed in October 2020. The second timber sale decision is expected in summer of 2023 with expected sale date in fall 2023.	Andy Pampush apampush@blm.gov (503) 815-1143
EA complete with signed FONSI expected Spring 2023. The first timber sale decision is expected in spring 2023 with the expected sale in summer 2023.	Andy Pampush apampush@blm.gov (503) 815-1143
In progress: The BLM has completed public scoping and is reviewing issues and alternatives for analysis. The completed EA is expected in late summer 2023.	Andy Pampush apampush@blm.gov (503) 815-1143
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Process Requests (EA/CX/DNA)	Tillamook Field	Ongoing	Andy Pampush
For various land uses such as rights-of-way,	Office-wide		apampush@blm.gov
tailholds, and special use permits.			(503) 815-1143

**Table 6. Upper Willamette Field Office** 

Table 6. Opper Willamette Field Office				
Upper Willamette Field Office Projects				
Name and Project Description	Location	Planning Status	Contact	
Vegetatio	n Management A	ctions		
Big League Timber Management Project EA (DOI-BLM-ORWA-N050-2022-0003-EA) The BLM proposes to implement forest management actions and related activities under a programmatic EA. Actions include regeneration harvest, commercial thinning, snag creation, road work, slash reduction, and reforestation. Approximately 4,600 acres are expected to be analyzed for timber harvest.	T. 14 S., R. 2 W.; T. 14 S., R. 1 W.; T. 14 S., R. 1 E.; T. 15 S., R. 2 W.; T. 15 S., R. 1 W.; and T. 15 S., R. 1 E.	In progress. EA public review period closed on October 13, 2022. FONSI anticipated Spring 2023.	Andrea Slusser  aslusser@blm.gov (541) 683-6967  David Butler  dbutler@blm.gov (541) 683-6417	
Backcourt Timber Sale DNA (DOI-BLM-ORWA-N050-2022-0013-DNA) A 450-acre timber sale, designed to implement a portion of the actions analyzed in the Big League EA (DOI-BLM-ORWA-N050-2022-0003-EA).	T. 14 S., R. 2 W., Sec. 25, 34, 35; T. 15 S., R. 2 W., Sec. 3	In development. Public review period anticipated Spring 2023.	Andrea Slusser aslusser@blm.gov (541) 683-6967	
Linebacker Timber Sale DNA (DOI-BLM-ORWA-N050-2022-0018-DNA) A 170-acre timber sale, designed to implement a portion of the actions analyzed in the Big League EA (DOI-BLM-ORWA-N050-2022-0003-EA).	T. 14 S., R. 1 W., Sec 33; T. 15 S., R. 1 W., Sec 9 and 5	In development. Public review period anticipated Spring 2023.	Andrea Slusser aslusser@blm.gov (541) 683-6967	
Farm Team Timber Sale DNA (DOI-BLM-ORWA-N050-2023-0004-DNA) A 383-acre timber sale, designed to implement a portion of the actions analyzed in the Big League EA (DOI-BLM-ORWA-N050-2022-0003-EA).	T. 14 S., R. 1 E., Sec. 33, 35; T. 15 S., R 1 E., Section 1	In development. Public review period anticipated Spring 2023.	Andrea Slusser <u>aslusser@blm.gov</u> (541) 683-6967	

Upper Willamette Aquatic Restoration DNA 2023 (DOI-BLM-ORWA-N050-2023-0001-DNA) The proposed action is to implement aquatic restoration projects on BLM-administered lands in Lane County, Oregon. Project actions would include large woody debris (LWD) in stream channels, invasive species removal, road decommissioning, reopening roads, and gate installation. Projects include:  • Marten Creek Helicopter Large Woody Debris • Bear Creek Large Woody Debris Tree Falling • Road Decommissioning • Mosby Creek Turtle Pond Site Preparation	T 17 S., R 2 E, Sections 1 and 12; T. 17 S., R. 1 E, Section 7; T. 16 S., R. 1 E, Sections 28 and 32; T. 18 S., R. 3 E, Section 31; T. 15 S., R. 1 W, Section 5; T. 22 S., R. 2 W, Section 15	Appeal period closes April 27.	David Butler dbutler@blm.gov (541) 683-6417	
Nelson Creek Culvert Replacement EA (DOI-BLM-ORWA-N050-2023-0005-EA) Project would replace a failing culvert that provides fish passage in Nelson Creek.	T. 19 S., R. 1 E, Section 11	In progress	David Butler dbutler@blm.gov (541) 683-6417	
Upper Willamette Young Stand Management 2023 CX (DOI-BLM-ORWA-N050-2023-0008-CX) The BLM is proposing young stand management treatments (precommercial thinning and manual maintenance) to implement management direction as described in the 2016 RMP in two areas known as Garoutte Road and Rowdy Camp. Treatments would occur within a one-year period. All treated stands would be accessed using existing road systems and no new roads would be constructed.	T. 20 S., R. 02 W., Sec. 31, 32; T. 20 S., R. 02 W., Sec. 5; T. 17 S., R. 01 W., Sec. 15	In progress	Lee Templeman ltempleman@blm.gov 541-683-6234	
Oak Basin Prairie Area of Critical Environmental Concern Management Plan (DOI-BLM-ORWA-N050-2022-0009-EA) Create an ACEC management plan and EA guiding BLM actions in the Oak Basin Prairie ACEC. A management will identify management actions to maintain, restore, or enhance the Relevant and Important ACEC Values and also for managing forest stands to achieve continual timber production sustained through a balance of growth and harvest where the ACEC overlaps with HLB.	T. 14 S., R. 2 W., Sections 28, 29, 33 and 34	In progress	David Butler <u>dbutler@blm.gov</u> (541) 683-6417	
Miscellaneous Land Use Requests				
Process Requests (EA/CX/DNA) For various land uses such as rights-of-way, tailholds, and special use permits.	Upper Willamette Field Office-wide	Ongoing	David Butler dbutler@blm.gov (541) 683-6417	
Whites Creek Maintenance Facility Decommissioning Project CX (DOI-BLM-ORWA-N050-2023-0007-CX) The BLM proposes to remove the existing buildings and decommission utilities.	T. 21S., R.3W., Section 17	Decision expected in Spring 2023	David Butler dbutler@blm.gov (541) 683-6417	

**Table 7. Northwest Oregon District** 

District-Wide Projects				
Name and Project Description	Location	Planning Status	Contact	
Vegetation Management Actions				
Northwest Oregon District Invasive Plant  Management and Habitat Pastavetin FA	BLM lands across	In progress.	Charity Glade	
Management and Habitat Restoration EA (DOI-BLM-ORWA-N000-2022-0003-EA)	all five Field Offices of the	Effects analysis is ongoing during March	cbglade@blm.gov	
The District is revising the 2018 EA and correcting	Northwest Oregon	– May 2023, with an		
the herbicide-usage percentages. Additionally, there	District	expected public		
are habitat restoration actions included. A 30-day public scoping period began on May 16, 2022 –		review and comment period in late summer		
ending June 15, 2022. A second public scoping was		of 2023.		
sent out to the interested publics and available on		Public scoping ended		
ePlanning from August 11 – September 12, 2022.		on June 15, 2022.		
Tribal consultation was initiated on May16, 2022 and August 11, 2022. ESA Section 7 consultation is being				
reinitiated with USFWS and NMFS.				
Restoration Actions				
The BLM is currently not planning any District-wide restoration actions.				
Miscellaneous Land Use Requests				
The BLM is currently not planning any land Use Requests across the District.				