Roseburg District BLM Planning Update

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Dear Citizen:

The Planning Update is published to provide current information about specific projects and future events planned on the Roseburg District of the Bureau of Land Management. Please send written comments including the specific project and field office name to 777 N.W. Garden Valley Blvd., Roseburg, Oregon 97470, during the public comment period. If you wish to save paper and postage, and have access to the internet, you can find the Planning Update at <u>www.blm.gov/roseburg</u>. Please remember to ask us to remove your name from our mailing list. For your convenience, you can also find a copy of the Planning Update at the Douglas County Library. Your comments and concerns are welcomed and may influence the final decision on these projects.

Thank you for your continued interest.

Sincerely,

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Non-Discretionary Actions Under Recir

Non-Discretionary Actions Under Reciprocal Rights-of-Way Agreements

There are 140 individual agreements and easements that were executed prior to implementation of the Roseburg District Record of Decision and Resource Management Plan (p. 71). These agreements are subject to regulations in effect at the time they were executed or assigned. Discretion on the part of the BLM to object to road construction is limited to one environmental reason - excessive erosion damage. These actions were previously disclosed under the **Categorical Exclusions** or **Plan Conformance** sections in the Planning Update, but are being presented here under a separate heading to reflect the non-discretionary nature of the actions, on the part of the BLM.

South River Field Office

- Seneca Jones Timber Company, Agreement No. R-656, Construction of approximately 700 feet of new road in the SE¹/₄ SE¹/₄ of Section 5 in T. 28 S., R. 3 W., W.M.
- Lone Rock Timber Co., Agreement R-700, Construction of approximately 300 feet of new road and renovation of 150 feet of existing road in NW¹/₄ SW¹/₄ and SW¹/₄ NW¹/₄ of Section 35 in T. 28 S., R. 4 W., W.M.
- Lone Rock Timber Co., Agreement R-768, Reconstruction of approximately 1,450 feet of existing road, involving widening of the sub-grade and construction of turnouts. The road is located in the NW¹/₄ NE¹/₄ of Section 35, T. 31 S., R. 7 W., W.M.

Swiftwater Field Office

- Rocking C Ranch under Agreement No. R-846C
 Permittee Road construction/Road renovation in Section 27, T.23S., R.4W., W.M.
- Bear Creek Timber Co. under Agreement No. R-645 T Permittee Road construction in Section 33, T.22S., R.6W., W.M.

Categorical Exclusions

This is a category of actions that federal agencies have determined not to significantly affect the human environment, individually or cumulatively. Neither an EA or EIS is required (40 CFR 1508.4).

South River Field Office

- **Days Creek Alder Placement** Felling of a half dozen red alder trees to provide cover and supplemental small wood to logs placed in Days Creek in association with the recently accomplished bank stabilization project.
- **Right-of-Way Renewal** Renewal of an existing right-of-way grant to Raider Communications for the siting of wireless communications equipment and antennas on the BLM tower on Canyon Mountain.

Swiftwater Field Office

Right-of-Way Renewal of Rock Creek Guard Station by the Oregon Department of Forestry and operated by Douglas Fire Protection Association. The existing facility includes a 1200 square foot house, a separate structure containing a garage, tool workshop, and open storage. It has a driveway, fenced yard, two large water tanks, septic system and a utility services. (OR-104-01-27).

Watershed Analysis Status

South River Field Office

Work on the second iteration of watershed analysis for the Lower Cow Creek watershed is nearing completion. Work on a second iteration of watershed analysis and a water quality restoration plan for the Myrtle Creek watershed commenced in mid-October. Completion is tentatively expected in mid-February of 2002.

New Projects

South River Field Office

The South River Field Office initiated an assessment of culvert conditions and fish passage problems in the Lee Creek drainage of the Myrtle Creek watershed. The assessment will include an in-depth engineering analysis of the measures needed in the replacement of two large culverts on Road No. 28-4-28.0 where it passes through Sections 21 and 28 of T. 28 S., R. 4 W. The assessment will also examine other stream crossing culverts and road conditions in the drainage, and make recommendations to the watershed analysis team.

An interdisciplinary review and analysis was also initiated for an environmental assessment for density management treatments in marbled murrelet reserves. Approximately 480 acres of forest have been identified for potential treatment, located in Section 17 of T. 28 S., R. 8 W. and Sections 3, 15, 23 and 27 of T. 29 S., R. 9 W. The purpose of the treatments would be the acceleration of development of stand characteristics that would provide suitable marbled murrelet habitat.

Swiftwater Field Office FY 2002 Commercial Thinning Timber Sales

Description: Analyze and design four separate commercial thinnings. The four thinnings would be analyzed in two separate environmental assessment (EA) documents; <u>West Side</u> (Hayhurst and Cat Tracks), Section 3, T.22S., R.6W., W.M.; Section 31, T.21S., R.4W. W.M.; Section 7, T.22S., R.4W. W.M.; and <u>East Side</u> (Relativity and East Fork) Sections 11,13,15,21,23,25 & 27, T.25S., R.2W., W.M.; Sections 29 & 30, T.25S., R.1W., W.M.: Location: Swiftwater Resource Area; GFMA, Connectivity, LSR, and Riparian Reserve. Issue Identification: December 2001

Analysis: January 2002

Public Review: Expected by May **Decision Dates:** To be announced

Status of Previous Planning Update Action Items

South River Field Office Forest Health and Hazard Assessment

Description: An assessment to identify risks such as fire, insects and disease on a landscape scale, and propose locations and potential treatments to address these risks.

Location: All lands within the South River Field Office.

Analysis: Completion of the assessment is anticipated in mid-to-late November. The assessment is not a project analysis from which any decisions will be generated. Any vegetative or hazard-reduction treatments that may be proposed will require evaluation and analysis by a separate team, and preparation of the appropriate level of environmental documentation.

South River Firewood Cutting Areas

- **Description:** Establish programmatic guidelines for the establishment of public firewood cutting areas for the purpose of providing a stable supply of firewood for home heating. Firewood cutting would be limited to hardwood species.
- **Location:** Matrix lands within the Resource Area located within a maximum of 200 feet from surfaced, all-weather roads. Riparian Reserves, owl activity centers and cultural sites would be excluded from consideration.

Issue Identification: Complete.

Analysis: Environmental Assessment in progress.

Public Review: Unknown at this time.

Decision Date: Unknown at this time.

South River FY 2001 Regeneration Harvest Project Plan

Description: Regeneration harvest of approximately 640 acres allocated as GFMA and Connectivity/Diversity Blocks. Proposed timber sale units would be located in Sections 33 and 35, T. 27 S., R. 4 W. ; Sections 3, 5 and 10, T. 28 S., R. 4 W.; Sections 3 and 4, T. 30 S., R. 4 W.; Sections 27 and 33, T. 31 S., R. 6 W.; and Section 3, T. 32 S., R. 6 W. The timber sales would be expected to yield approximately 26,900 CCF of timber.

Location: Lower South Umpqua River Watershed, South Umpqua River and Lower Cow Creek watersheds.

Issue Identification: Complete.

Analysis: Environmental Assessment in progress.

Public Review: Unknown at this time.

Decision Date: Unknown at this time.

Middle Fork Coquille Commercial Thinning 2001

Description: Commercial thinning and density management of approximately 1,000 acres of managed second-growth stands in GFMA, Connectivity/Diversity Block and Riparian Reserve land use allocations. Proposed timber sale units would be located in Sec. 29 and 31 of T. 28 S. R. 8 W.; Sec. 31, 32, and 33 of T. 29 S., R. 8 W.; Sec. 5 and 7 of T. 30 S., R. 8 W.; and Sec. 1, 2, and 3 of T. 30 S., R. 9 W. The action is expected to result in 5 timber sales that would be expected to yield approximately 18,000 CCF of timber.

Location: Middle Fork Coquille River watershed.

Issue Identification: Complete.

Analysis: Environmental Assessment in progress.

Public Review: Unknown at this time.

Decision Date: Unknown at this time.

Beatty Creek/Island Creek Land Exchange

Description: The BLM would exchange parcels of timbered lands from the Public Domain for approximately 729 acres of Roseburg Resources Company lands in the Lower Cow Creek watershed. A majority of the lands acquired by the BLM would be added to the Beatty Creek Area of Critical Environmental Concern/Research Natural Area. Lands in the Island Creek area would be managed to provide additional recreational opportunities in association with the BLM's Island Creek Day Use Area.

Location: The lands that would be acquired by the BLM are located in Sections 30 and 31, T. 30 S., R. 6 W. and Section 36, T. 30 S., R. 7 W. The BLM has identified 4 parcels of land in Section 4, T. 25 S., R. 3 W.; Section 20, T. 23 S., R. 4 W.; and Section 22, T. 24 S., R. 3 W. that are available and would be offered in exchange. Not all of the offered parcels are anticipated to be needed to complete the exchange.

Issue Identification: Complete.

Analysis: Environmental Assessment in progress.

Public Review: Upon completion of EA, scheduled December 2001.

Decision Date: Unknown at this time.

South River Commercial Thinning 2000

- **Description:** Commercial thinning and density management of approximately 300 acres of managed second-growth stands in GFMA and Riparian Reserves. Proposed timber sale units would be located in Sec. 19, T. 28 S., R. 8 W.; Secs. 13 and 24, T. 29 S., R. 3 W.; Secs. 3 and 4. T. 30 S., R. 3 W.; Sec. 19. T. 29 S., R. 2 W.; and Sec. 9, T. 30 S., R. 2 W. The timber sales would be expected to yield approximately 5,590 CCF of timber.
- **Location:** East Fork and Middle Fork Coquille River; South Umpqua River, and Middle South Umpqua River/Dumont Creek watersheds.

Issue Identification: Complete.

Analysis: Complete.

Public Review: Complete.

Decision Date: A 34-acre commercial thinning, Hurricane Ruby, was authorized on August 27, 2001. The commercial thinning was offered and sold on September 25, 2001. A second commercial thinning, Weaver Road, was authorized on October 30, 2001. This second sale, consisting of 136 acres, will be offered at auction on November 27, 2001.

South Umpqua Connectivity Density Management

Description: Density management of approximately 140 acres allocated as Connectivity/Diversity Blocks and Riparian Reserves. Proposed timber sale units would be located in Sec. 17, T. 30 S., R. 2 W and Sec. 17, T. 30 S., R. 3 W. The timber sales would be designed to accelerate the development of old-growth habitat and yield an estimated 2,040 CCF of timber.

Location: Deadman/Dompier and South Umpqua River watersheds.

Issue Identification: Complete.

Analysis: Complete.

Public Review: Complete.

Decision Date: Unknown at this time.

South River Watershed Restoration

Description: The EA analyzed an array of restoration projects to be implemented over a 5 year period. Projects include road renovation and decommissioning, culvert replacement, stream bank stabilization, tree-lining and placement of logs in stream for habitat structure.

Location: S. Umpqua River, Myrtle Creek, Lower Cow Creek, Olalla-Lookinglass and Middle Fork Coquille Watersheds.

Issue Identification: Complete.

Public Review: Complete.

Decision Date: Decisions on projects analyzed in the EA but not yet implemented will be issued over the next three to four years.

Slimewater Creek Density Management

Description: Density Management of approximately 255 acres of early and mid-seral aged stands in the South Umpqua River/Galesville Late-Successional Reserve. These stands are located in Sec. 27, T. 30 S., R. 4 W. and Sec. 9, T. 31 S., R. 4 W. The objective would be the accelerated development of late-seral habitat characteristics for the northern spotted owl and other species.

Location: Shively-O'Shea Subwatershed.

Issue Identification: Complete.

Analysis: Complete.

Public Review: Complete.

Decision Date: Treatment of 118 acres was authorized on October 30, 2001. It will be offered for bid on November 27, 2001.

Ragu Timber Sale

Description: Regeneration harvest of approximately 150 acres allocated as GFMA.

Proposed timber sale units would be located in Sec. 9, 21, 29, and 33, T. 29 S., R. 8 W.; and Sec. 5, T.30 S., R. 8 W. The timber sale would be expected to yield approximately 6,208 CCF of timber.

Location: Olalla Creek/Lookingglass Creek and Middle Fork Coquille River watersheds. **Issue Identification:** Complete.

Analysis: Complete.

Public Review: Complete.

Decision Date: Unknown at this time.

Dickerson Heights Timber Sale

Description: Regeneration harvest of approximately 180 acres allocated as GFMA and Connectivity/Diversity Blocks. Proposed timber sale units would be located in Sec. 3, 11, 9, and 15, T. 29 S., R. 7 W. The timber sale would be expected to yield approximately 8,800 CCF of timber.

Location: Olalla Creek/Lookingglass Creek watershed.

Issue Identification: Complete.

Analysis: Environmental Assessment in progress.

Public Review: Unknown at this time.

Decision Date: Unknown at this time.

Loose Laces Timber Sale

Description: Regeneration harvest of approximately 200 acres allocated as GFMA and Connectivity/Diversity Blocks. Proposed timber sale units would be located in Sec. 1, 3, 13, and 15, T. 31 S., R. 6 W. The timber sale would be expected to yield approximately 7,300 CCF of timber.

Location: Lower Cow Creek watershed.

Issue Identification: EA OR105-98-04 and FONSI withdrawn and replaced by EA OR105-99-14. Issue identification completed.

Analysis: Environmental Assessment work in progress.

Public Review: Unknown at this time.

Decision Date: Unknown at this time.

Cow Catcher Timber Sale

Description: Regeneration harvest of approximately 190 acres of Matrix lands in Sec. 5, 7, 9,

and 17, T. 31 S., R. 6 W. The timber sale would be expected to yield approximately 7,700 CCF of timber.

Location: Lower Cow Creek watershed.

Issue Identification: Complete.

Analysis: Environmental Assessment in progress.

Public Review: Unknown at this time.

Decision Date: Unknown at this time.

The following projects are not presently considered action items. Further work on the environmental assessments has been deferred. At such time as analysis is resumed, it will be noted in the Planning Update.

North Myrtle Timber Sales Can-Can Watershed Level Project Plan North Olalla-Lookingglass Watershed Level Plan Middle South Umpqua /Olalla-Lookingglass Watershed Level Plan

Swiftwater Field Office Cavitt Creek Road Restoration

Description: Road-related restoration in the Cavitt Creek; reduce or eliminate sedimentation to streams; providing for unobstructed movement of aquatic fauna; road renovation, decommissioning, and culvert replacement.

Location: Secs. 21, 23, 25-27, 35, T. 27 S., R. 3 W.; Secs. 19, 30, T. 27 S., R. 2 W.; Secs. 2, 3, 5, T. 28 S., R. 3 W. W.M.

Issue Identification: Expected by August, 2001.

Analysis: Expected by October, 2001

Public Review: Expected by December, 2001

Decision: April, 2002

Wolf/Miner Creek Instream Structures and Culvert Replacement

Issue Identification:

This project has been cancelled.

North Bank Habitat Management Area (NBHMA) Prescribed Burning

Description: "Fire would be applied under the standards set forth in the District Fire Management Plan (1998) and in accordance with the Oregon Smoke Management Plan" (NBHMA Final EIS, p. 32). This action burned approximately 500 acres of the 1200 acres expected to be burned in the first year. Burning is done to restore habitat and improve forage for Columbia white-tail deer.

Location: Sections 4, 5, & 8, T.26S., R.4W., W.M.

Issue Identification: Completed.

Analysis: Completed.

Public Review: Completed.

Decision: June, 2001.

Umpqua Land Exchange Project (ULEP):

Description: The Foundation for Voluntary Land Exchanges (Foundation) is working in conjunction with the Secretary of the Interior and the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) on the Umpqua Land Exchange Project. The Project will explore opportunities for voluntary changes in the checkerboard pattern of public and private ownerships in the Coast Range portion of the Umpqua Basin. The study area includes approximately 675,555 acres in the lower Umpqua River Basin, almost all of it in Douglas County. The Foundation is preparing an EIS to identify and analyze potential land exchange opportunities.

Location: Swiftwater Resource Area Coast Range.

Scoping: Completed.

Draft EIS Due: May 31, 2002.

Comment Period: 90 days (June through August 2002).

Eagleview Campground - Project is being reopened.

Description: Conversion of formerly leased camp area (1948 - 1992) into a public access camp area; Project is in Late Successional Reserve and Riparian Reserve; Background Analysis found in the Middle Umpqua Frontal Watershed analysis.

Location: T24S, R7W, Section 11.

Issue Identification: Completed.

Analysis: Completed.

Public Review: Awaiting Biological Opinion from ODF&W.

Gallagher Thinning -

Deleted due to red tree vole (RTV).

FY 2001 Commercial Thinnings -

Description: Commercial thinning on an estimated 160 acres; Background analysis found in the Calapooya Watershed Analysis.

Location: T24S, R3W Section17; and T25S, R4W, Section17

Issue Identification: Completed.

Analysis: Completed.

Public Review: Completed.

FY2000 Thinnings (Off Little River, Bearbuck) Note - this project has been renamed CT2000 -

Description: Commercial thinning on an estimated 190 acres; Project is in Connectivity and Little River adaptive Management Area (AMA); Background analysis found in Elk Creek 5th Field Watershed Analysis (WA), Upper Coast Fork Willamette 5th Field Watershed Analysis, and the Little River 5th Field Watershed Analysis. Note: The Upper Eastside portion of this project has been deleted due to presence of RTV.

Location: T27S, R3W, Secs. 1,7; T22S, R4W, Secs. 9,27; T21S, R4W, Secs. 23, 27, 35 Issue Identification: Completed.

Analysis: Completed.

Public Review: Completed.

Decision: Completed.

Shingle Lane Regen & Commercial Thinning

Description: Regeneration harvest on an estimated 30 acres and commercial thinning on an estimated 225 acres; Project is in Matrix (General Forest Management Area);

Background Analysis: Elk Creek Watershed Analysis.

Location: T23S, R4W, Sec. 27

Issue Identification: Completed.

Analysis: Completed.

Public Review: To Be Announced.

Watson Mountain

Description: A sub-watershed level project that includes: Mariposa Lily habitat enhancement, commercial thinning, fertilization, Jim and Fall Creek roadwork, slide stabilization, control of noxious weeds and regeneration timber harvest; Background Analysis: Little River Watershed Analysis.

Location: T25S, R1W, Secs. 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 35; Little River Adaptive Management Area Issue Identification: Completed.

Analysis: On Hold.

Public Review: To Be Announced.

Powell Creek

Description: A regeneration harvest on an estimated 52 ac.; Project is in Matrix (General Forest Management Area) and is in the Rural Interface Area.

Location: T24S, R4W, Sec. 33; T25S, R7W, Sec. 5

Issue Identification: Completed.

Analysis: Completed.

Public Review: To Be Announced.

Pipeline

Description: Regeneration harvest on approximately 225 ac.; Project is in Matrix (General Forest Management Area and Connectivity/Diversity Block); Background Analysis: Brush Creek-Hayhurst Valley-Yoncalla Watershed Analysis.

Location: T23S, R5W, Secs. 7, 19, 21; T23, R6W, Secs. 1, 13

Issue Identification: Completed.

Analysis: Completed.

Public Review: Completed.

Decision: To Be Announced.

What-a-Gas

Description: Regeneration harvest on an estimated 195 ac.; Project is in Matrix (General Forest Management Area and connectivity/Diversity Block).

Location: T25S, R3W, Secs. 7,17, 19; T25S, R4W, Sec 13

Issue Identification: Completed.

Analysis: Completed.

Public Review: Completed.

Decision: To Be Announced.

Green Thunder

Description: Regeneration and Commercial Thinning harvest in the Little River Adaptive Management Area; Approximately 215 ac. of regeneration and 325 ac. of commercial thinning is proposed; Background Analysis: Little River Watershed Analysis.
Location: T26S, R2W, Secs. 31, 33; T26S, R3W, Sec. 25; Little River Adaptive Management Area and Middle, North Umpqua 5th Field Watershed
Issue Identification: Completed
Analysis: Completed
Public Review: Completed
Decision: To Be Announced.

Bear Hill

Description: Regeneration harvest in Matrix; Approximately 50 ac. are proposed; Background Analysis: Brush Creek-Hayhurst Valley-Yoncalla Watershed Analysis.
Location: T22S, R6W, Sec. 23
Issue Identification: Completed.
Analysis: On Hold.
Public Review: To Be Announced.

Planning Documents

Water Quality Restoration Plans (WQRPs) Transportation Management Objectives (TMO) Watson Mountain Ecosystem Management Strategy

Fisheries Projects

Completed projects for Summer/Fall 2001

Days Creek Restoration Project - Completed in September 2001 Involved road renovation, culvert replacement for fish passage, large woody debris placement in the creek for fisheries habitat, and streambank stabilization to control erosion.

Fate Creek Restoration Project - Completed September 2001

Joint project with Umpqua Watershed Council, NRCS, ODFW, and private landowner. Project involved modification of private diversion structure to allow for adult fish passage. Fish passage through private land will give salmon and steelhead the opportunity to access BLM land, which has undergone fish habitat improvements. The project also involved building a cattle crossing over Fate Creek in order to keep the animals out of the creek, therefore improving fish habitat and streambank stability.

Planning during winter 2001-2002 for implementation in summer/fall 2002

South River Aquatic Restoration Assessment

Planning effort to consolidate all information from data sources, inventories, watershed analysis, etc. This consolidated information would then allow the South River Area to identify problem areas to focus future restoration activities.

Upcoming Events

National Weed Day 2002

The BLM is a co-sponsor of this educational event.

Douglas County Weed Day 2002 is planned for February 5, at the Douglas County Fairgrounds. Weed Day includes informational displays, practical classes for land owners and technical classes for Pesticide Recertification Credits (pending ODA approval). This is an excellent opportunity to learn about the weeds in Douglas County. Scheduled topics include: Pesticide Reporting, Personal Protective Equipment and Safe Handling of Pesticides, Sprayer Calibration, Weed Identification and more. Specialists will be available to help with specific weed problems. For more information contact Shelby Filley, Douglas County Extension Agent at 672-4461.

Holiday Trees

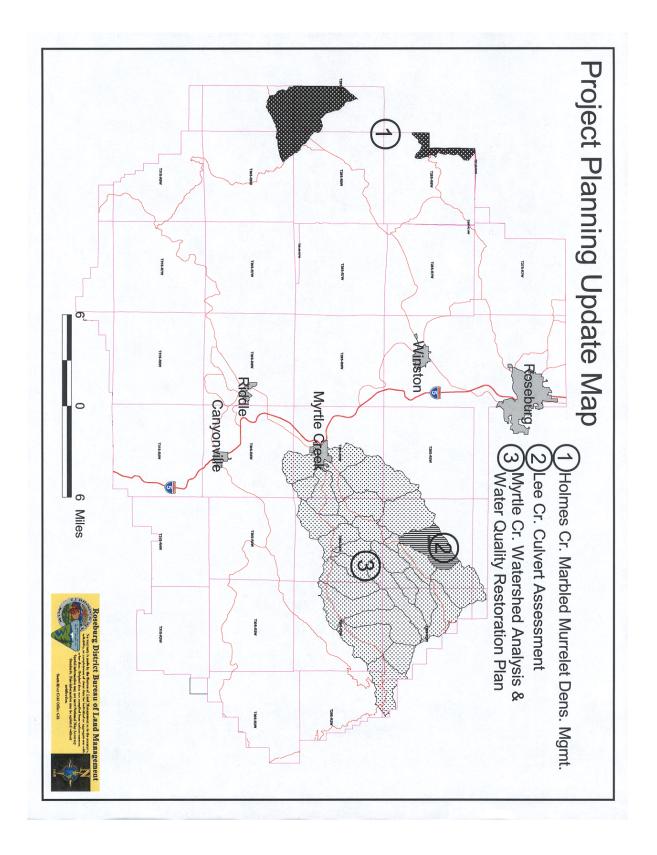
Holiday tree permits for lands administered by the Roseburg District of the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) will be available starting Monday, November 19, 2001. The cost for a single tree up to 12 feet is \$5.00 with a limit of three trees per residence. No commercial permits will be issued.

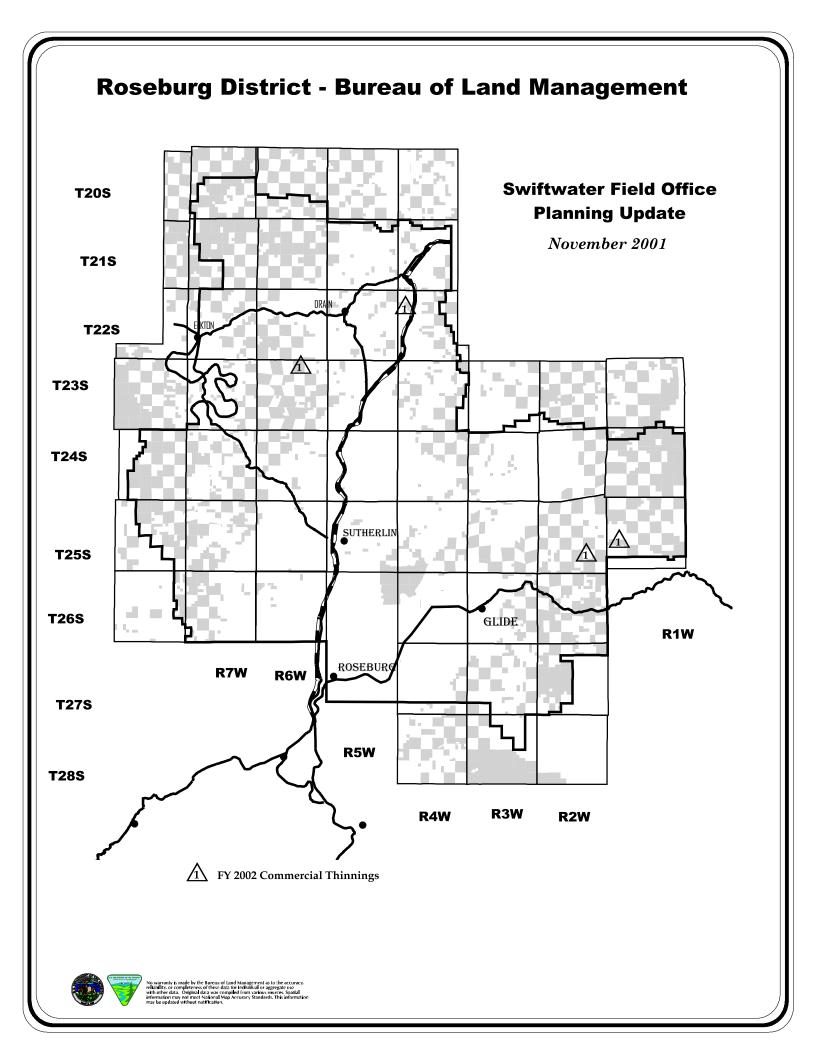
The Holiday Tree permit tag authorizes purchasers to cut their own tree(s) on a self-serve basis in either the Swiftwater Resource Area, north of Roseburg, or the South River Resource Area, south of Roseburg. Permits and maps will be available at the Roseburg District Office on 777 N.W. Garden Valley Blvd. from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Holiday tree permits may also be purchased Monday through Friday at several other locations such as: **Drain and Myrtle Creek City Hall** from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and the **U.S. Forest Service Office in Glide** (North Umpqua Ranger District) from 7:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Permits will be available on Saturdays and Sundays at the **Colliding Rivers Visitor Center** located in Glide beginning November 24 through December 9, from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00.p.m.

For information about Holiday trees, call the Roseburg District BLM office at 541-440-4930.





Abbreviations and Definitions

BO - Biological Opinion.

CF - Cubic feet.

CCF - Hundred cubic feet.

CX or Categorical Exclusion - Actions which do not have significant effects on the environment and for which an Environmental Analysis (EA) or an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is not required.

EA - Environmental Assessment - A concise public document that briefly provides evidence and analysis of a proposed Federal action. It is used to determine whether further analysis needs to be done for an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) or a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI).

IDT - Interdisciplinary Team - A group of resource specialists, whose participation is determined by the issues relating to the project proposal, and who conduct environmental analysis.

LSR - Late Successional Reserves - One of the seven Federal land designations set forth in the Northwest Forest Plan. These reserves will maintain a functional, interactive, late-successional and old-growth forest ecosystem. Approximately 81% of the Roseburg District BLM is reserve.

Matrix Lands - One of the seven Federal land designations set forth in the Northwest Forest Plan. Most timber harvest contributing to the Allowable Sale Quantity takes place in this area. Approximately 19% of the Roseburg District BLM is matrix.

MBF - Thousand board feet.

MMBF - Million board feet.

NEPA - National Environmental Policy Act - A federal law which sets the systematic interdisciplinary analysis to achieve integrated consideration of physical, biological, economic, and other sciences to provide for an informed decision. The process provides for public participation in the development, review and revision of certain activities on Federal Lands.

NFP - Northwest Forest Plan - A common name for the Record of Decision for Amendments to Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management Planning Documents Within the Range of the Northern Spotted Owl (April 1994). It is also used to refer to the Standards and Guidelines for Management of Habitat for Late-Successional and Old Growth Forest Related Species with the Range of the Northern Spotted Owl which accompanies the Record of Decision.

O&C Lands - Revested Oregon and California Railroad Lands.

Resource Management Plan (RMP) - A land use plan prepared by the BLM in accordance with the Federal Land Policy and Management Act (FLPMA).

Scoping - An early and open part of environmental analysis that allows interested public and other Federal, state and local agencies the opportunity to provide issues, concerns and opportunities relative to proposed project actions. Scoping is required by regulation for Environmental Impact Statements.