

Roseburg District BLM Planning Update



Winter 2008

Dear Citizen:

Here is the latest Roseburg District Quarterly Planning Update! 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 97471, during the public comment period.

Thank you for your interest in Roseburg District BLM lands!

Sincerely,

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District Manager

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For more information about projects in the Quarterly Planning Update, contact Bob Hall, Public Affairs Officer at (541) 464-3245.

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

A reciprocal right-of-way agreement is a document exchanging access rights between BLM and a permittee pursuant to 43 CFR 2812 regulations. BLM has 140 individual agreements and easements that were executed prior to the implementation of the Roseburg District Record of Decision and Resource Management Plan (ROD/RMP p. 71). These 140 agreements are subject to regulations in effect at the time the agreements were executed or assigned. The BLM's discretion on activities pursuant to these agreements (such as road construction) is limited to that described in the agreement itself.

South River Field Office

- **Monger Trust Property, Reciprocal Right-of-Way Agreement R-765** - Improvement of 260 feet of road located in the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ and SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 5, T. 28 S., R. 7 W., W.M. BLM lands involved are mid-seral and late-seral stands located in Late-Successional Reserve.
- **Seneca Jones Timber Co., Reciprocal Right-of-Way Agreement R-656** – Improvement of 525 feet of BLM Road No. 28-3-8.1 located in the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ and N $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 21, T. 28 S., R. 3 W., W.M. BLM lands involved are mid-seral stands located in the General Forest Management Area.
- **Monger Trust Property, Reciprocal Right-of-Way Agreement R-765** – Construction of 100 feet of road in the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 5, T. 28 S., R. 7 W., W.M. BLM lands involved are on the boundary between a mid-seral and a late-seral stand located in Late-Successional Reserve.

Swiftwater Field Office

No Non-Discretionary Actions were conducted last quarter.

Categorical Exclusions

Categorical Exclusions are categories of actions determined to have no significant effect to the human environment, individually or cumulatively. As such, neither an EA nor an EIS is required (40 CFR 1508.4). For more discussion of Categorical Exclusions, please see page 10 of this Update.

South River Field Office

- **Precommercial Thinning** – Precommercial thinning of approximately 875 acres in the General Forest Management Area and Connectivity/ Diversity Block land use allocations and 474 acres in Late-Successional Reserves to reduce competing vegetation and provide more growing space for selected leave trees. (OR-1-5-08-37).
- **Harvest of Special Forest Products** – Harvest of Special Forest Products such as beargrass, Christmas trees and conifer boughs in fiscal years 2009-2013 in accordance with H-5400-2 Special Forest Products Procedures Series Handbook, guidelines provided by District and Area Specialists, and the Special Provisions for each separate product. Permits are issued for designated locations throughout the Resource Area (OR-105-08-41).
- **Tiller Evacuation Routes** – Reduction of roadside fuels along Corn Creek Road (30-3-26.0) in Sections 13 and 23, T. 30 S., R. 3 W., W.M.; Coffee Creek Road (30-3-30.0) in Section 19, T. 30 S., R. 2 W., W.M.; and Dompier Creek Road (30-2-23.0) in Section 23, T. 30 S., R. 2 W., W.M. to improve ingress for emergency vehicles and egress for citizens in the event of a wildfire. Fuel reduction will consist of cutting and removing small diameter trees, pruning remaining large trees and removing, chipping or lopping-and-scattering any remaining fuels (OR-105-08-43).

Swiftwater Field Office

- **Pre-Commercial Thinning and Manual Maintenance.** – Pre-commercial thinning and manual maintenance of 998 acres in the General Forest Management Area, Adaptive Management Area, Riparian Reserve, and Late-Successional Reserve land use allocations throughout the Swiftwater Field Office (OR-104-08-29).
- **Powerline ROW Negotiated Salvage.** – Re-authorizes right-of-way grant ORE 05008, permitting a 12.5 kV distribution line to cross BLM administered lands in Sections 13 and 24, T. 26 S., R. 2 W., W.M., in the General Forest Management Area, including maintenance activities (such as pole placement or replacement, hazard tree removal, and vegetation clearing). (OR-104-08-40).
- **Powerline Right-of-Way Negotiated Salvage.** – Salvage of logs felled and left by Bonneville Power Administration (ROW Agreement - ORE - 04974) in Sections 23 and 27, T. 21 S., R. 4 W., W.M., in the Connectivity/Diversity Block land use allocation. (OR-104-08-30).
- **Rock Creek Waterline.** – Replacement of the existing waterline along Road No. 26-3-1.0, from the bridge by the Rock Creek Maintenance Shop to the Rock Creek Campground (6720 feet), in Sections 15, 16, and 21, T. 25 S., R. 2 W., W.M., in the General Forest Management Area and use allocation. The waterline will follow the original waterline location. (OR-104-08-30).
- **Fire Salvage.** – Remove dead and dying trees from three (3) acres burned in the Jim Creek fire area, Section 15, T. 27 S., R. 3 W., W.M., in the Adaptive Management Area. (OR-104-08-42).
- **North Bank Habitat Management Area Oak Restoration.** – Thinning of 55 acres of overstocked oak woodlands in Sections 11 and 12, T. 26 S., R. 5 W., W.M., in the Area of Critical Environmental Concern. Thinned trees would be used for in-stream enhancement of the Habitat Management Area. (OR-104-08-34).

New Projects

Roseburg District

Roseburg District Aquatic & Riparian Restoration

Description: Programmatic analysis of a variety of aquatic and riparian restoration work, including but not limited to, instream placement of logs and boulders, fish passage improvements, and road and culvert improvements, replacement, or rehabilitation.

Location: District-wide

Issue Identification: Anticipated Fall 2008.

Analysis: Environmental Assessment.

Public Comment Period: Anticipated February-March, 2009.

Decision Date: Anticipated April, 2009.

South River Field Office

Kincaid's Lupine Restoration

Description: Restoration of habitat occupied by federally-threatened Kincaid's Lupine. Treatments will manage competing understory vegetation, reduce canopy cover where excessive shade affects viability of populations, and manage fuels to reduce the likelihood of high intensity fires, thereby implementing the management objectives in the Management Plan for Kincaid's Lupine in Douglas County, signed by the BLM Roseburg District and the Umpqua National Forest, Tiller Ranger District in April, 2008.

Location: Multiple locations throughout the Resource Area.

Project Design: Ongoing.

Analysis: Categorical Exclusions.

Decision Date: Multiple decisions anticipated in fiscal year 2009.

Swiftwater Field Office

Slim Sherlock Commercial Thinning & Density Management

Description: Commercial thinning and density management in the General Forest Management Area, Adaptive Management Area, and Riparian Reserve land use allocations in the Little River and Lower South Umpqua watersheds. It involves the commercial thinning and density management of approximately 700 acres of mid-seral forest stands (47 years old). Two sales are planned: Slim Big Jim (240 acres) and Sherlock Home (460 acres).

Location: Sections 9 and 19, T. 27 S., R. 03 W. and Section 25, T. 27 S., R. 04 W., W.M.

Issue Identification: Ongoing.

Analysis: Environmental Assessment.

Public Comment Period: Anticipated April/May 2009.

Decision Date: Separate decisions for each sale (2 total): Slim Big Jim (June 2009) and Sherlock Home (October 2009).

Clever Beaver Density Management

Description: Density management in the Late-Successional Reserve land use allocation. It involves a single density management sale of approximately 315 acres of mid-seral forest stands (47-58 years old) in the Upper Smith River Watershed.

Location: Sections 25, 27, 33, and 35, T. 20 S., R. 06 W., W.M.

Issue Identification: Ongoing.

Analysis: Environmental Assessment.

Public Comment Period: Anticipated December 2009.

Decision Date: Anticipated September 2010.

Blackbird Commercial Thinning & Density Management

Description: Commercial thinning and density management in the General Forest Management Area, Connectivity/Diversity Block, and Riparian Reserve land use allocations in the Rock Creek, Lower North Umpqua, and Calapooya Creek watersheds. It involves the commercial thinning and density management of approximately 1,150 acres of mid-seral forest stands (31-49 years old). Three sales are planned: Corvid (350 acres), Craven Raven (380 acres), and Old Crow (420 acres).

Location: Sections 13, 23, 25, 27, 33, 34, and 35, T. 25 S., R. 03 W. and Section 3, T. 26 S., R. 03 W., W.M.

Issue Identification: Begin December 2008.

Analysis: Environmental Assessment.

Public Comment Period: Anticipated August 2009.

Decision Date: Separate decisions for each sale (3 total): Corvid (December 2009), Craven Raven (January 2010), and Old Crow (April 2010).

Third Elk Commercial Thinning & Density Management

Description: Commercial thinning and density management in the General Forest Management Area, Connectivity/Diversity Block, and Riparian Reserve land use allocations in the Elk Creek/Umpqua River and Calapooya Creek watersheds. It involves the commercial thinning and density management of approximately 540 acres of mid-seral forest stands (40-69 years old). Three sales are planned: Milk Shake (100 acres), Off Your Walker (360 acres), and Elk Camino (80 acres).

Location: Sections 11, 13, 17, and 33, T. 23 S., R. 04 W. and Section 5, T. 24 S., R. 04 W., W.M.

Issue Identification: Begin January 2009.

Analysis: Environmental Assessment.

Public Comment Period: Anticipated February 2010.

Decision Date: Separate decisions for each sale (3 total): Milk Shake (May 2010), Off Your Walker (July 2010), and Elk Camino (April 2011).

Mud Den Commercial Thinning & Density Management

Description: Commercial thinning and density management in the General Forest Management Area, Connectivity/Diversity Block, and Riparian Reserve land use allocations in the Upper Umpqua, Lower South Umpqua, and South Fork Coos River watersheds. It involves the commercial thinning and density management of approximately 830 acres of mid-seral forest stands. Three sales are planned: Calahan Mudaxle (200 acres), Devil's Den (240 acres), and Mud Slinger (390 acres).

Location: Sections 17, 21, 29, 31, 32, and 33, T. 26 S., R. 07 W., W.M.

Issue Identification: Begin February 2009.

Analysis: Environmental Assessment.

Public Comment Period: Anticipated March 2010.

Decision Date: Separate decisions for each sale (3 total): Calahan Mudaxle (June 2010), Devil's Den (August 2010), and Mud Slinger (August 2011).

Status of Previous Planning Update Action Items

South River Field Office

Timber Management Activities

Note- the Roseburg District FY09 Timber Sale Plan is available at:

<http://www.blm.gov/or/districts/roseburg/timbersales/files/2009SalePlan.pdf>

Middle South Umpqua/Dumont Creek Commercial Thinning and Density Management

Description: Commercial thinning and density management of approximately 290 acres of mid-seral forest stands allocated as General Forest Management Area, Connectivity/Diversity Block or Riparian Reserves.

Location: Proposed units are located in Sections 21, and 32, T. 29 S., R. 2 W.; and Sections 3, 9, 11 and 15, T. 30 S., R. 2 W., W.M.

Issue Identification: Complete.

Analysis: Environmental Assessment.

Public Comment Period: Completed.

Decision Date: A decision is anticipated in fiscal year 2009.

South Umpqua River Watershed Harvest Plan

Description: Proposed regeneration harvest of an estimated 236 acres, commercial thinning of an estimated 897 acres of forest lands in the Matrix land use allocations, including density management in associated Riparian Reserves; and density management of an estimated 574 acres in Late-Successional Reserve (LSR).

Location: The stands proposed for treatment are located in the Days Creek, Coffee Creek, St. Johns Creek, Shively O'Shea Creek, and Stouts Creek 6th-field subwatersheds of the South Umpqua 5th-field watershed. Individual units are located as follows:

Regeneration Harvest - Section 25, T. 29 S., R. 3 W.; Sections 3 and 4, T. 30 S., R. 4 W., W.M.

Commercial Thinning and Density Management in Matrix - Sections 8, 17, 18 and 19, T. 29 S., R. 2 W.; Sections 13, 25, 27, 33 and 35, T. 29 S., R. 3 W.; Section 9, T. 30 S., R. 2 W.; and Sections 3, 7, 15, 21 and 23, T. 30 S., R. 3 W., W.M.

LSR Density Management - Sections 29, 30 and 31, T. 30 S., R. 4 W.; Section 25, T. 31 S., R. 3 W., Sections 9, 13, 21, 23, and 30, T. 31 S., R. 4 W.; and Section 25, T. 31 S., R. 5 W., W.M.

Issue Identification: Complete.

Discretionary Scoping: Complete.

Analysis: Environmental Assessment.

Public Comment Period: Completed.

Decision Date: Multiple decisions are anticipated in fiscal years 2009 and 2011.

Lower Cow Creek Commercial Thinning and Density Management

Description: Commercial thinning and density management on approximately 722 acres. Commercial thinning in the Matrix allocations in conjunction with density management in associated Riparian Reserves totals approximately 402 acres. Density management in Late-Successional Reserves totals approximately 320 acres.

Location: Section 13, T. 30 S., R. 7 W.; Sections 25, 27 and 35, T. 30 S., R. 8 W.; Sections 7, 13, 15, 17 and 19, T. 31 S., R. 6 W.; and Section 13, T. 31 S., R.7 W., W.M.

Issue Identification: Complete.

Analysis: Environmental Assessment completed.

Public Comment Period: Completed.

Decision Date: Decisions were issued for Minnesota Flats Commercial Thinning in August, 2008 and Dagnet Commercial Thinning and Density Management in October, 2008. Additional decisions are anticipated in fiscal year 2009.

South Myrtle Creek Regeneration Harvest Plan

Description: Regeneration harvest of approximately 576 acres of mature and late-successional forest comprised of the previously sold but unawarded Buck Fever, Class of 98, Dream Weaver and Sweet Pea timber sales.

Location: Sections 29, 31, 32, 33, 34 and 36, T. 28 S., R. 3 W.; Sections 1, 3, 9 and 11, T. 29 S., R. 3 W.; Sections 15, 17 and 19, T. 29 S. R. 4 W.; and Section 25, T. 29 S., R. 5 W., W.M.

Issue Identification: Completed.

Analysis: Environmental Assessment in progress.

Public Comment Period: Anticipated in late winter or early spring of 2009.

Decision Date: Uncertain at this time.

Can-Can Regeneration Harvest

Description: Regeneration harvest on approximately 489 acres within the Matrix. Three sales, Screen Pass, Hi-Yo Silver and Myrtle Morgan would yield an estimated 14-16 MMBF of timber.

Location: O'Shea Creek and Canyon Creek 6th-field subwatersheds in the South Umpqua River 5th field watershed, and the Judd Creek 6th field subwatershed in the Middle South Umpqua River 5th field watershed. Proposed units are located in T. 30 S., R. 4 W., Section 5; T. 30 S., R. 5 W., Sections 9, 10, 11 and 15; T. 31 S., R. 5 W., Sections 23 and 26; and T. 30 S., R. 6 W., Sections 13 and 25.

Issue Identification: Completed.

Analysis: Environmental Assessment completed.

Public Comment Period: Completed.

Decision Date: A decision for the Myrtle Morgan timber sale was issued on June 27, 2006, and for the for the Screen Pass timber sale on July 20, 2006. The offering date of the Hi-Yo Silver timber sale is anticipated in Spring/Summer 2009.

Restoration Activities

South River Restoration Programmatic Environmental Assessment

Description: The analysis considered a range of restoration projects that would be reasonably implemented over the next five years or longer. These projects fall into three basic categories: (1) non-commercial riparian vegetation treatments that could include tree girdling to create snags and down wood and conversion/release of alder-dominated stands in favor of a diverse mixture of longer-lived hardwood and conifer species, (2) road improvements and stream crossing replacements, and (3) stream restoration projects to provide grade control and create additional instream habitat structure.

Location: Various locations throughout the eight fifth-field watersheds encompassed by the South River Resource Area.

Issue Identification: Completed.

Analysis: Environmental Assessment completed.

Public Comment Period: Completed.

Decision Date: Decisions were issued for the replacement of stream-crossing culverts on a tributary to Holmes Creek, North Myrtle Creek and Beals Creek in the summer of 2005. Decisions were also issued for replacement of a culvert on West Fork Canyon Creek, and in-stream habitat restoration in Stouts Creek that was completed in the summer of 2006. A decision for the replacement of a stream-crossing culvert on Rice Creek was issued in April, 2007. Additional decisions will be forthcoming in fiscal year 2008 and beyond.

Myrtle Creek Watershed Restoration

Description: The analysis identified a range of watershed restoration projects that include the replacement of stream-crossing culverts that are at risk of failure and/or blocking passage to fish, road decommissioning, road upgrading, slide stabilization, and installation of in-stream structures to promote habitat complexity.

Location: Throughout the Myrtle Creek 5th Field Watershed.

Issue Identification: Completed.

Analysis: Environmental Assessment completed.

Public Comment Period: Completed.

Decision Date: No decisions for projects analyzed in this EA were issued from 2005 through 2008. Additional decisions for road improvements, road decommissioning and slide stabilization may be forthcoming in fiscal year 2009 and beyond.

Swiftwater Field Office

Roads and Facilities Management Activities

Susan Creek Stew WUI (Wildland Urban Interface)

Description: The proposed action involves the reduction of fuels along the Susan Creek road system (26-2-23.0 and 26-2-14.0) and the removal of hazard trees in the Wildland Urban Interface.

Location: Sections 13 and 14, T. 26 S., R. 2 W., W.M.

Issue Identification: Completed.

Analysis: Environmental Assessment.

Public Comment Period: Anticipated December 2008.

Decision Date: Anticipated January 2009.

Little Wolf Quarry Expansion

Description: The proposed action would expand the existing Little Wolf Quarry by approximately three acres. The project would include the development of a quarry restoration plan.

Location: Section 1, T. 25 S., R. 8 W., W.M.
Issue Identification: Completed.
Analysis: Environmental Assessment.
Public Comment Period: Completed.
Decision Date: Anticipated December 2008.

Timber Management Activities

Note- the Roseburg District FY09 Timber Sale Plan is available at:
<http://www.blm.gov/or/districts/roseburg/timbersales/files/2009SalePlan.pdf>

Little Wolf Thrice Density Management

Description: An experimental thinning in the Late-Successional Reserve Land Use Allocation. It involves the density management of approximately 20 acres of mid-seral forest (70-80 years old).

Location: Section 3 & 10, T. 25 S., R. 8 W., W.M.

Issue Identification: Completed.

Analysis: Environmental Assessment.

Public Comment Period: Anticipated December 2008/January 2009.

Decision Date: Anticipated March 2009.

Northeast Elk Creek Density Management

Description: Density management of approximately 1,645 acres of mid-seral forest stands (40-77 years old). The proposed action would occur in the Elk Creek/Umpqua River Fifth-field Watershed within the Connectivity/Diversity Block and the Riparian Reserve land use allocations.

Location: Sections 27 and 35, T. 21 S., R. 4 W., Sections 9, 15, 20, 21, 23, and 27, T. 22 S., R. 4 W., and Section 3, T. 23 S., R. 4 W., W.M.

Issue Identification: Completed.

Analysis: Environmental Assessment.

Public Comment Period: Anticipated December 2, 2008 – January 2, 2009.

Decision Date: Five separate decisions, one for each sale: Bear Bones (January 2009), Cox Pit (February 2009), General Lee (March 2009), Mr. Bennet (April 2009), and Bucko (May 2009).

Elementary Watson Commercial Thinning and Density Management

Description: Commercial thinning and density management in the Adaptive Management Area, General Forest Management Area, and Riparian Reserve Land Use Allocations. It involves the commercial thinning of approximately 286 acres of young managed stands (40-64 years old) and density management of 78 acres in Riparian Reserve.

Location: Section 7, T. 27 S., R. 3 W. and Section 13, T. 27 S., R. 4 W., W.M.

Issue Identification: Completed.

Analysis: Environmental Assessment.

Public Comment Period: Completed.

Decision Date: Decision notice and sale advertisement was published September 23, 2008. Elementary Watson sold at auction October 21, 2008.

Restoration Activities

No Restoration analysis is being conducted at this time.

North Bank Habitat Management Area (NBHMA) Activities

Description: This quarter, the BLM will evaluate the monitoring plan for the NBHMA, as described in the Habitat Management Plan (June 2001). Specialists will complete approximately 50 acres of oak restoration thinning. Maintenance plans for previously installed forage plots will be completed and acreage for 2009 forage plots will be identified. Invasive plant removal (Hawthorne, Blackberry, and thistles) is ongoing. Riparian native planting projects along Jackson Creek will take place.

Hydrologists and Fisheries Biologists will work on planning Phase II of the Jackson Creek in-stream restoration project which involves placing large woody debris and boulders in the watercourse. Final landscaping of Comstock Day Use Area will be completed. Columbian white-tailed deer GPS collar studies in partnership with ODFW are ongoing. Also, Black-tailed deer and Columbian white-tailed deer hunts, managed by Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife run through January 25, 2009.

Location: Sections 31, 32, 33, T. 25 S., R. 4 W., W.M.; Sections 35, 36, T. 25 S., R. 5 W., W.M.; Sections 1, 2, 11, 12, 13, 14, T. 26 S., R. 5 W., W.M. and Sections 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, T. 26 S., R. 4 W., W.M.

Issue Identification: Completed.

Analysis: Completed – these activities are covered by the North Bank Habitat Management Area / ACEC Final EIS (September 2000)

Public Comment Period: Completed in September, 2000.

Decision Date: September, 2000.

Watershed Analysis Status

South River Field Office

No watershed analysis is being conducted at this time.

Swiftwater Field Office

No watershed analysis is being conducted at this time.

Volunteer Opportunities

The Roseburg District has specific volunteer opportunities listed on-line at volunteer.gov/gov. The BLM is actively recruiting campground hosts for the Roseburg District. It's an exciting opportunity to live in a beautiful natural setting and work with the public and an outstanding recreation staff. RV site space and hookups are provided (host provides their own RV). Please visit volunteer.gov/gov and search by state (OR) for more information or call/email the District Volunteer Coordinator, Ariel_Hiller@blm.gov, 541-464-3356.



Certain activities within the BLM have been categorically excluded from preparation of an Environmental Assessment (EA) or Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). The purpose of a categorical exclusion is to eliminate the need for unnecessary paperwork under NEPA. Specifically, Council of Environmental Quality (CEQ) regulations for the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) at 40 CFR §1508.4 state that:

"Categorical exclusion' means a category of actions which do not individually or cumulatively have a significant effect on the human environment and which have been found to have no such effect in procedures adopted by a Federal agency in implementation of these regulations (Sec. 1507.3) and for which, therefore, neither an environmental assessment nor an environmental impact statement is required...Any procedures under this section shall provide for extraordinary circumstances in which a normally excluded action may have a significant environmental effect."

In implementation of the NEPA regulations, the BLM has developed categorical exclusions for certain silvicultural activities, such as reforestation, pre-commercial treatments, brush control, sample tree falling, and salvage, commercial thinning, and hazardous fuels reduction of limited acres. In developing categorical exclusions, the BLM demonstrated through rulemaking procedures how these actions do not typically result in significant environmental effects and set forth the methodology and criteria used to define the categories of actions. These rulemaking procedures included extensive public involvement and input, and CEQ review, regarding appropriate limits on the use of the categorical exclusion to assure that any categorically excluded action would remain within the effects of actions covered in the analysis for the rulemaking.

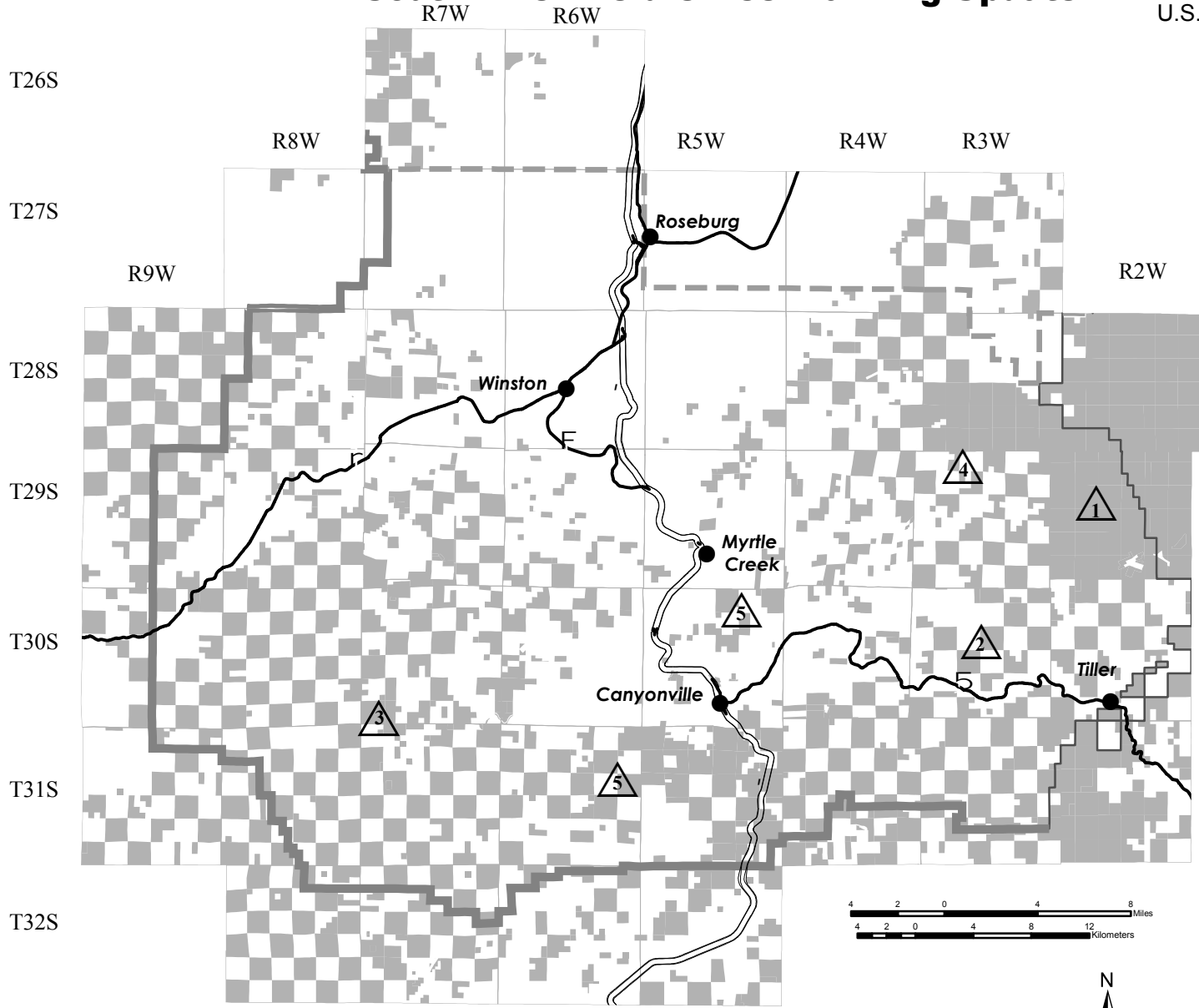
As such, in deciding whether to proceed with such actions, the BLM will review their particular conditions to ensure that no extraordinary circumstances exist, as listed in the Department of the Interior's NEPA Manual at 516 DM 2, Appendix 2 that would preclude the use of a categorical exclusion. The Roseburg District maintains an on-site NEPA register that lists ongoing actions, and seeks information from the public as to whether extraordinary circumstances exist for any of these ongoing actions that are categorically excluded. An "extraordinary" circumstance is one that could have significant environmental effects beyond the "ordinary" circumstances already described and considered as applicable to the excluded actions in the rulemaking procedure. These categorically excluded actions, by regulation, do not require the documentation necessary for an EA or EIS. The public was also provided a formal opportunity to participate in the agency's review and approval of these categorically excluded activities. Given this context, the BLM may choose to proceed with these actions as part of the ordinary course of business in managing forest land with the posting of a notice of decision on the District internet site. This notice would advise the public of the formal administrative review process for these individual actions available under 43 CFR §4.450. Depending on circumstances, however, the BLM may invoke, by publishing a notice in a local newspaper of record, the administrative review process under 43 CFR §5003 for certain individual forest management actions.

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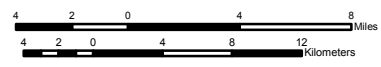
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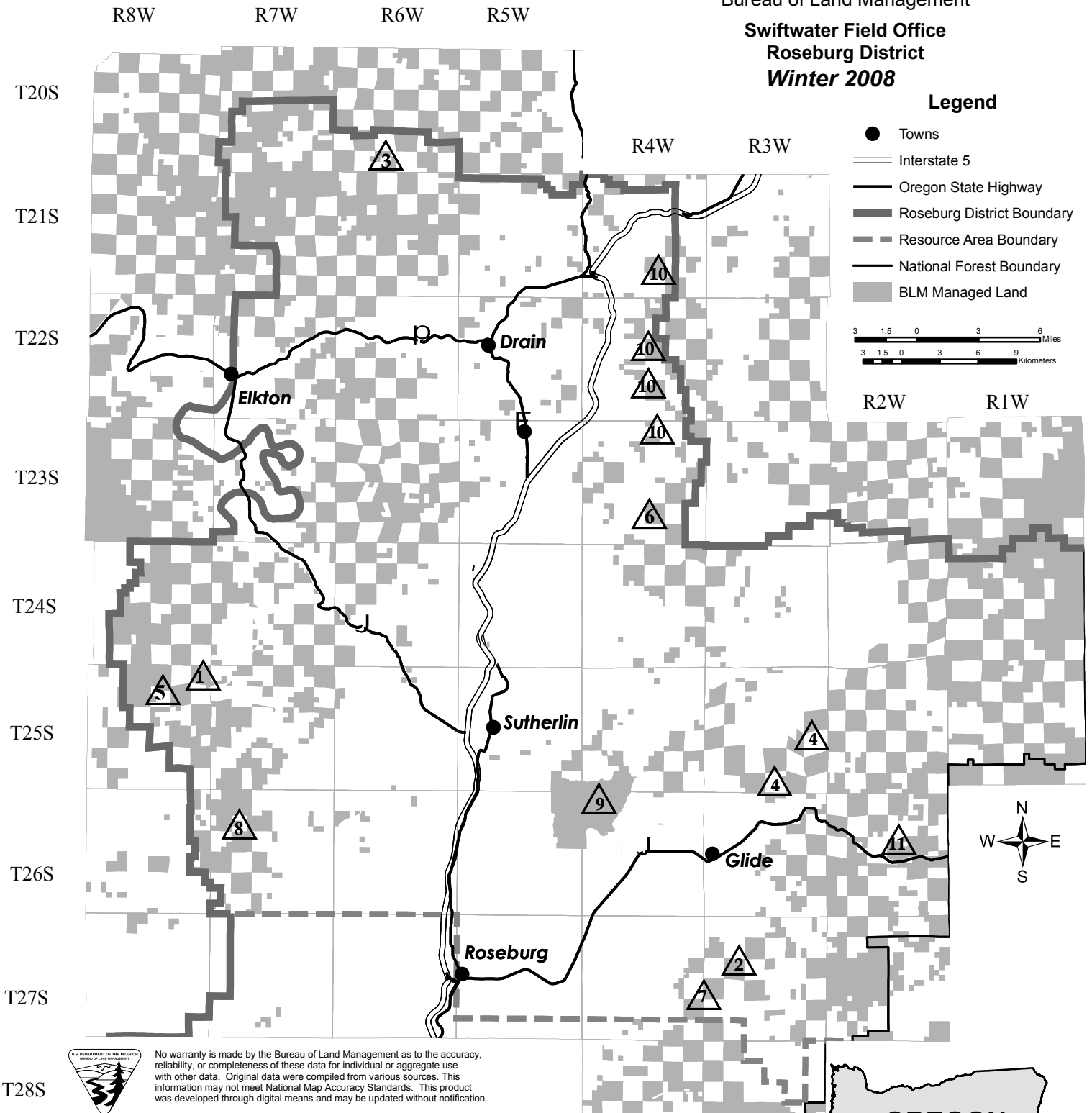
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Swiftwater Field Office Planning Update

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Abbreviations and Definitions

ACEC/RNA – Area of Critical Environmental Concern/Research Natural Area

BO - Biological Opinion.

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 – This is 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).

ERFO – Emergency Relief for Federally Owned Roads

FONSI - Finding of No Significant Impact - This is a document that briefly presents the reasons why the implementation of an action will not result in “significant” environmental impacts (effects) beyond those already addressed in the Roseburg District’s *Proposed Resource Management Plan / Environmental Impact Statement* (PRMP/EIS, October 1994).

GFMA – General Forest Management Area.

IDT - Interdisciplinary Team - A team is 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.

NWFP - 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.

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