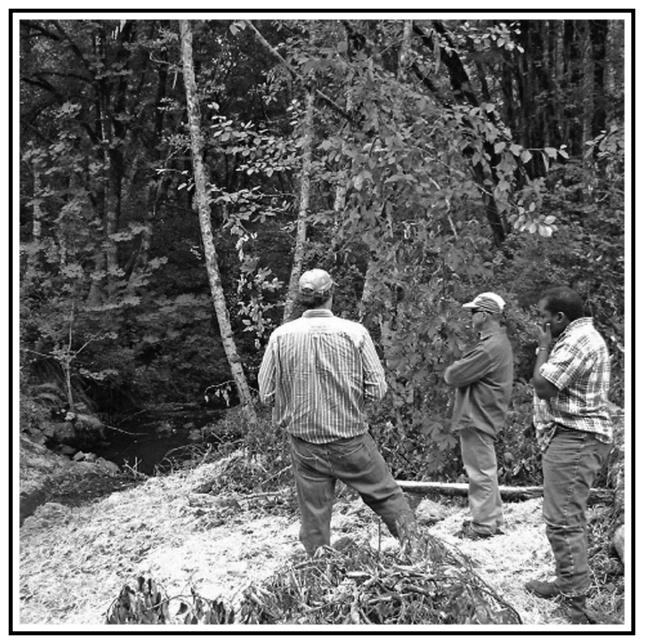
# Bureau of Land Management Salem District Project Update

# September 2008





As the Nation's principal conservation agency, the Department of Interior has responsibility for most of our nationally owned public lands and natural resources. This includes fostering economic use of our land and water resources, protecting our fish and wildlife, preserving the environmental and cultural values of our national parks and historical places, and providing for the enjoyment of life through outdoor recreation. The Department assesses our energy and mineral resources and works to assure that their development is in the best interest of all people. The Department also has a major responsibility for American Indian reservation communities and for people who live in Island Territories under U.S. administration.



## **United States Department of the Interior**

BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT Salem District Office 1717 Fabry Road S.E. Salem, Oregon 97306

Dear Citizen:

Project Update provides current information about projects planned on the Bureau of Land Management's (BLM) Salem District lands. It is our intent to increase the public's awareness of BLM issues, activities and opportunities, as well as generating ideas and comments from those who may be affected by our multiple-use management programs. Your ideas, comments, and participation help us make informed decisions and implement better projects.

Project Update is organized by resource area and within each resource area by type of project. Additional information can be obtained from the BLM staff listed as contacts. Please send written comments, including the specific project name, to the appropriate address listed below during the identified public comment period.

## FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:

Bureau of Land Management Salem District Office 1717 Fabry Rd. SE Salem, OR 97306 (503) 375-5646 **OPEN: 7:45 a.m.- 4:30 p.m. New hours** Monday - Friday Bureau of Land Management Tillamook Resource Area 4610 Third St. Tillamook, OR 97141 (503) 815-1100 **OPEN: 7:45 a.m.- 4:30 p.m. New hours** Monday - Friday

Please contact us if you no longer wish to receive Project Update. A copy of Project Update is available at your local public library.

Your comments and concerns are welcome and may influence the final decision on these projects. Thank you for your continued interest!

Sincerely,

Salem District Manager

## Current projects are described in Tables 1 – 4. Fiscal Year 2008-09 timber sales are described in Tables 5 and 6.

Explanatory comments concerning Tables 1-4:

Projects are organized by project type, project name/description, location, planning status, and contact person. A project may include the following stages:

<u>Developing Proposed Action</u> - A site-specific proposal, called a proposed action, is developed to move the existing condition of an area towards a desired condition or result.

<u>Scoping</u> -Public comment is sought on the proposed action. Comments are used to refine the proposal, or to identify issues which will define the scope of analysis and alternatives to be considered.

<u>Developing Alternatives</u> -A range of alternatives is developed based on the issues raised during scoping, while addressing the purpose and need for the project.

<u>Analyzing Effects</u> - The effects of implementing the alternative(s) are determined and documented in an EIS (Environmental Impact Statement), EA (Environmental Assessment), CX (Categorical Exclusion), or DNA (Determination of NEPA Adequacy).

<u>Comment Period</u> - Comments are generally sought for 60 days on a draft EIS, and for 30 days on an EA, and FONSI (Finding of No Significant Impact). There are no established comment periods for a CX or DNA. Comment periods are established commensurate with the anticipated level of public interest.

<u>Notice of Decisions</u> - Notice of decisions from an EIS and EA will be published in a newspaper in the area where the lands affected by the decision are located. They will be sent to those who have requested such notices. Notices of decision from an EIS will also be published in the Federal Register. Notice for projects which qualify as a CX or DNA will be available for public review at the appropriate field office.

### Abbreviations Used in Tables:

- AMA Adaptive Management Area
- AMR Adaptive Management Reserve
- APU Activity Planning Unit
- CON Connectivity
- CX Categorical Exclusion
- DNA Determination of NEPA Adequacy
- EA Environmental Assessment
- ERFO Emergency Relief for Federally-Owned Roads
- GFMA General Forest Management Area
- JITW Jobs-In-The-Woods
- LUA Land Use Allocation
- LSR Late-Successional Reserves
- MBF Thousand Board Feet
- RR Riparian Reserves
- SBA Small Business Administration

## **Categorical Exclusions**

Certain activities within the BLM's forestry program 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 Salem District/Field Office 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.

## What's Next in the Western Oregon Plan Revision Process?

The Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the Western Oregon Plan Revisions was released in August 2007. The five-month public comment period of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement ended on January 11, 2008. In response to the Draft Environmental Impact Statement, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) received some 29,500 submissions through the Web Forum, e-mail or postal mail. Comments came from across the country from private citizens, organized groups, government officials, Indian tribes, and cooperating agencies. If you'd like to see the wide variety of comments, we have posted them all on the BLM's website at:

#### http://www.blm.gov/or/plans/wopr/pub\_comments

We have made changes based on the comments we received on the Draft Environmental Impact Statement and adjustments to achieve consistency with the recently- released Northern Spotted Owl Recovery Plan and Critical Habitat Rule.

Analysis of impacts for the Final Environmental Impact Statement and Proposed Resource Management Plan is nearly complete and the writing of the document is progressing.

The changes incorporated in the Proposed Resource Management Plan are within the alternatives analyzed in the Draft Environmental Impact Statement. The proposed decisions have been crafted from parts of the analyzed alternatives so that no additional public review will be required.

While The BLM always accepts comments on our actions, the BLM will follow the routine practice for this portion of the planning process. No additional public meetings or public comment periods are planned during the development of the Proposed Resource Management Plan and the Final Environmental Impact Statement.

### TIMETABLE FOR COMPLETION OF THE RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PLAN

Early October 2008 - Governor's 60-Day Consistency Review commences

Fall 2008 – Proposed Resource Management Plan and Final Environmental Impact Statement made available to the public

Mid-December 2008 – Records of Decision signed

Table 1: Cascades Resource Area Proposed Projects							
Name / Description of Project	Location	Planning Status	Contact				
Vegetation Management Actions (Additional vegetation management actions are described under the Multiple Projects heading)							
<b>Beeline Thinning (EA# OR080-06-06):</b> The proposed action is to thin approximately 410 acres of 45-55 year-old timber stands: 390 acres in the Matrix land use allocation (LUA), and 20 acres in the Riparian Reserve LUA.	T.5 S., R. 4 E. sections 3, 10, 17, 21. Clackamas County.	Environmental Assessment (EA) completed March 20, 2007. Final decision expected in January 2009	Keith Walton (503) 375-5676				
<b>Better Butte</b> / <b>Cherry Mill (EA # OR080-08-04):</b> Approximately 500 acres are being assessed for timber harvest (regeneration harvest in the Matrix LUA, and thinning in the Riparian Reserve LUA). Average stand age ranges from 70 to 140 years.	<b>Better Butte:</b> T. 7 S. R. 2 E. sections 23, 25, 33, 35; within the Pudding and Molalla River watersheds near Scotts Mills, OR <b>Cherry Mill:</b> T. 9 S. R. 2 E. sections 1, 13, 23; within the Little North Santiam and Middle North Santiam watersheds near Mill City, Clackamas County, OR.	EA to be completed October 2008. Decision expected in 2009.	Leah Schofield (503) 315-5926				
<b>Gordon Creek (EA# OR080-07-05):</b> The proposed action is to thin approximately 1,800 acres of timber stands with an average stand age of 40-70 years. Thinning would occur in the Matrix (1300 acres) and Riparian Reserve Land Use Allocations (500 acres).	T.1 S. R. 5 E. sections 1, 3, 9, 11, 13, 15; within the Gordon Creek/Lower Sandy Watershed near Corbett, Multnomah County, OR.	EA completed September 26, 2007. Decision expected in 2009.	Keith Walton (503) 375-5676				
<b>Highland Fling (EA # OR080-08-05):</b> Approximately 760 acres are being assessed for commercial thinning within the Matrix and Riparian LUAs. Average stand age ranges from 25 to 70 years.	T. 3 S., R. 3 E., Section 35; T. 4 S., R. 3 E., Sections1, 21, 27 and 29; T. 4 S., R. 4E, Section 21, 27 and 29; and T. 4 S., R. 5 E., Sections 18; within the Milk Creek, Clear & Foster Creek, Upper Clear Creek and North Fork Clackamas River watersheds near Colton and Estacada, Multnomah County, OR.	EA to be completed October 2008. Decision expected in 2009.	Keith Walton (503) 375-5676				
<b>House Mountain Thinning (EA# OR080-04-20):</b> The selected action is to thin approximately 521 acres with an average stand age of 60-80 years: 420 acres in the General Forest Management Area land use allocation (LUA), and 101 acres in the Riparian Reserve LUA.	T8S, R3E, Sec 31, 33, T9S, R2E, Sec. 15. T9S, R3E, Sec 7, 13, Marion County.	EA completed July 19, 2005. Decision issued July 29, 2008.	Rudy Hefter (503) 375-5671				
<b>Lost Lulay (EA #OR080-08-06):</b> Approximately 560 acres are being assessed for commercial thinning within the Matrix and Riparian LUAs. Average stand age ranges from 30 to 72 years.	T. 10 S. R. 1 W. section 25; T. 10 S. R. 1 E. sections 21, 23, 25 & 29: T. 10 S. R. 2 E. section 19: and T. 11 S. R. 1 E. section 5 within the Thomas Creek and Crabtree Creek watersheds near Scio, Clackamas County, OR.	EA to be completed October 2008. Decision expected in 2009.	Keith Walton (503) 375-5676				
<b>Missouri Ridge Thinning (EA# OR080-04-20):</b> The proposed action is to thin approximately 287 acres of 50-70 year old stands: 202 acres in the Matrix land use allocation (LUA) and 85 acres in the Riparian Reserve LUA.	T6S, R2E, Sec 7,9,16, 17, Clackamas and Multnomah counties.	EA completed July 19, 2005. Decision expected in 2009.	Rudy Hefter (503) 375-5671				
Wa	tershed Restoration Actions						

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<b>Cascades Invasive Non-Native Species Management (EA):</b> Management and control of invasive non-native plants occurring in the Cascades Resource Area using an integrated management approach (e.g. public education/community partnerships, and physical, mechanical and chemical control methods).	Resource Area-wide	Scoping in Progress EA to be completed fall/winter 2008	Barbara Raible (503) 375-5687
<b>Evans Creek Slide (EA#OR080-08-09):</b> An unnamed tributary channel of Evans Creek is experiencing chronic mass movement. The objectives of this project are to trap fine sediments stored in the unstable materials, reduce turbidity and increase habitat complexity in this tributary channel. The proposed action is to place approximately 40 trees with root wads attached by heavy lift helicopter into the tributary channel, from the mouth to the headwaters below the Evans Mountain Road (8-4e-32 in section 19 of T 8S, R 4E). Other erosion control measures such as "wood straw" and a weed-free seed mix would also be applied.	T. 8S, R. 4E, Section 19, Marion County.	EA completed June 25, 2008 Decision issued July 23, 2008	Patrick Hawe (503) 315-5974
	Multiple Projects		
None			
	Recreation Actions		
<b>Wildwood Footbridge Repair (EA#OR080-08-11):</b> The footbridge crossing the Salmon Wild and Scenic River at Wildwood is in need of maintenance/repair. The proposed action includes cleaning and sealing/treating the structure, and replacing the bulkhead and end beams.	T2S, R7E, Section 31 at the Wildwood Recreation Site, Clackamas County.	EA completed June 17, 2008. Decision to be issued September 2008	Zach Jarrett (503) 375-5610
<b>Wildwood Main Power line (CX # OR080-08-12)</b> Replace/upgrade main power line into and through the Wildwood Recreation Site.	T2S, R7E, Section 31 at the Wildwood Recreation Site, Clackamas County.	Decision Issued July 11, 2008	Zach Jarrett (503) 375-5610
Transport	ation System Management Actions		
Road Maintenance and Repair (EA/CX/DNA)	Cascades Resource Area	Ongoing	Dan Nevin (503) 375-5673
Misc	ellaneous Land Use Requests	· · ·	
<b>Process Requests</b> (EA/CX/DNA): For various land uses such as rights-of-way, tailholds, and special use permits.	Cascades Resource Area-wide	Ongoing	Carolyn Sands (503) 315-5973
Amend Longview Right-of-Way Agreements (EA): BLM and private lands are to be added to several reciprocal right-of-way agreements with Longview Timberlands.	Cascades Resource Area – wide	Decision Issued in August 2008.	Dan Nevin (503) 375-5673
Watershed A	nalysis and other Management Plans		
<b>Molalla River Corridor Plan:</b> Will address long term resource management for BLM administered lands in the Molalla River Corridor. The Table Rock Wilderness Management Plan update and current proposed projects will be included in this analysis.	Molalla Watershed, Clackamas County.	Pre-plan work. Public meetings will take place in fall 2008.	Zach Jarrett (503) 375-5610
Sandy River Management Plan: Will address long term resource protection and management needs for BLM-managed lands in the Sandy River Basin.	Sandy River Basin: T1S-R4E, T2S-R4E, T2S- R5E, T2S-R6E, T2S-R7E, T2S-R8E, about 30 miles east of Portland, Clackamas County, OR.	Ongoing. EA to be completed fall 2008.	Zach Jarrett (503) 375-5610

Table 2: Marys Peak Resource Area Proposed Projects					
Name / Description of Project	Location	Planning Status	Contact		
	/egetation Management Actions ment actions are described under the Multiple Proje	ects heading)			
<b>Yamaha Late Successional Reserve Enhancement/Aquatic Restoration (EA#</b> <b>OR080-06-18):</b> The proposed project area is in Late-Successional Reserves and Riparian Reserves. Proposed project activities include density management of approximately 161 acres of 20 to 70-year old forest, culvert replacements, road improvements, coarse woody debris enhancement, and large woody debris placement.	South Fork Alsea River Watershed, Benton County; approximately 12 miles southwest of Philomath, OR.	Environmental Assessment completed fall 2007. Decision Record planned for January, 2009. The timber sale project is proposed for fiscal year 2009.	Gary Humbard (503) 315-5981		
<b>Bottleneck Late Successional Reserve Enhancement (EA#OR 080-07-16):</b> The proposed project area is in Late-Successional Reserves and Riparian Reserves. Project 1 activities include density management of approximately 153 acres of 67-year old forest and approximately 5,000 feet of new road construction; Project 2 activities include the cutting of green conifers to improve wetland habitat, release adjacent green trees with complex crown structure, and create snags and coarse woody debris.	T7S, R9W, Sections 8 and 9: Lincoln County; approximately 10 miles east of Lincoln City, Oregon in the Salmon River-Siletz-Yaquina Bay Watershed.	Environmental Assessment planned for October 2008. Decision Record planned for June, 2009. The timber sale project is proposed for fiscal year 2010.	Gary Licata (503) 315-5948		
<b>Condenser Peak Late-Successional Reserve Enhancement (EA# OR 080-05-07):</b> The proposed project area is approximately 275 acres of 50 to 60-year-old forest in Late-Successional Reserves and Riparian Reserves within the North Coast Adaptive Management Area. Proposed activities include density management, meadow restoration, CWD enhancement, road construction, road renovation, and road decommissioning.	T7S, R8W, Sections 13, 14 and 15, Polk County; approximately 18 miles west of Dallas, OR in the Mill Creek-South Yamhill River, Upper South Yamhill River, and Upper Siletz watersheds.	Environmental Assessment completed. Decision Record was signed June, 2008. The timber sale is planned for August, 2008.	Gary Humbard (503) 315-5981		
<b>Cold Springs Late-Successional Reserve Enhancement (EA# OR 080-05-12):</b> The proposed project area is approximately 178 acres of 50 to 60-year-old forest in Late-Successional Reserves and Riparian Reserves. Project 1 activities include density management, road construction, road renovation, and road decommissioning. Project 2 activities include coarse woody debris creation.	T9S, R7W, Section 3, Polk County; approximately 9 miles southwest of Dallas, OR in the Luckiamute River Watershed.	Environmental Assessment completed winter 2008. Decision Record planned for January, 2009. The timber sale project is proposed for fiscal year 2009.	Gary Humbard (503) 315-5981		
<b>Mainline II Thinning (EA# OR080-05-11):</b> The proposed project area is approximately 162 acres of 60-year old forest in General Forest Management Areas and Riparian Reserves. The proposed activities include commercial thinning, density management, and road construction.	T14S, R6W, Sections 17 and 19, Benton County; approximately 5 miles west of Bell Fountain, OR in the Upper Alsea and Marys River Watershed.	Environmental Assessment completed. Decision Record signed October, 2007. The timber sale is planned for November, 2009.	Dan Schreindorfer (503) 315-5994		
<b>Rickard Creek Timber Sale (EA# OR 080-07-13):</b> This proposed project area is approximately 120 acres of 72-year old forest in General Forest Management Areas and Riparian Reserves. Proposed activities include regeneration harvest, density management, commercial thinning, road construction and renovation.	T13S, R6W, Section 29, Benton County; approximately 10 miles west of Monroe, OR in the Marys River Watershed.	Environmental Assessment completed in March 2008. Decision Record planned for March, 2009. The project is proposed for fiscal year 2009.	Phil Sjoding (503) 315-5980		

Table 2: Marys	<b>Peak Resource Area</b>	<b>Proposed Projects</b>
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Name / Description of Project	Location	Planning Status	Contact		
Marys Peak Resource Area (Alsea Area) Legacy Tree Enhancement and Coarse Woody Debris Creation (EA# OR 080-08-13) (formerly Alsea River Legacy Enhancement and Coarse Woody Debris Creation) Approximately 70 acres are being evaluated for treatment in small patch thinnings and gap creation units that would be scattered across BLM lands designated as Late-Successional Reserve and Riparian Reserve. The project is intended to release and restore declining old-growth legacy trees and enhance coarse woody debris conditions. Activities would include felling of encroaching young conifer trees, small gap creation, girdling, falling, or topping of selected trees. There is the potential to create an excess of small diameters conifers at some treatment sites. These sites would be evaluated for removal of excess logs to be used for stream habitat enhancement. No new road construction would occur.	Alsea River Basin, including the Upper Alsea, Lower Alsea, and Five Rivers –Lobster Creek watersheds, Benton and Lincoln counties, Oregon.	EA/FONSI/DR signed June, 2008.	Scott Hopkins (503) 315-5956		
<b>Upper and Lower Alsea River Watershed Restoration (EA# OR 080- 08-08):</b> The proposed project areas are within approximately 800 acres of Late Successional Reserve and Riparian Reserves. Project 1 would include the following activities: density management, road construction and decommissioning, road renovation and coarse woody debris creation and would be implemented through four timber sales. Project 2 activities would include restoration of approximately 36 acres of hardwood dominated stands.	Upper and Lower Alsea River Watersheds, Benton County; approximately 12 miles southwest of Philomath, OR.	Environmental Assessment planned for March, 2009. Decision Records planned for June, 2009. The projects are proposed for fiscal year 2010.	Gary Humbard (503) 315-5981		
<b>Green Peak II Density Management and Riparian Buffer Study (EA# OR 080-08-14):</b> The proposed project area is approximately 158 acres of 70 year old forest in Late Successional Reserve and Riparian Reserve. The project consists of a second phase of silvicultural treatments underlying research in the BLM's Western Oregon Density Management and Riparian Buffer Study Plan. This is in cooperation with Oregon State University and the USDA Forest Service Pacific Northwest Experiment Station. The proposed activities include density management, road reconstruction and coarse woody debris creation.	Marys River Watershed, Benton County; approximately 12 miles southwest of Corvallis, OR.	Environmental Assessment planned for March 2009. Decision Record planned for June, 2009. The project is proposed for fiscal year 2010.	Cory Geisler (503) 315-5949		
Marys Peak Special Forest Products Program Categorical Exclusion Review (Revised 2008) (CX# OR 080-08-10): Marys Peak Resource Area issues Special Forest Contracts (i.e. mushrooms, firewood, posts and poles) for sale. This revised categorical exclusion review will modify and/or update information from the previous CX issued in 2004.	Marys Peak Resource Area	Categorical Exclusion planned for August, 2008.	Gary Humbard (503) 315-5981		
	Multiple Projects				
McFall/Potter Creek Density Management Timber Sale (EA# OR080-06- 12): The proposed project area is approximately 317 acres of 72-80 year old forest (McFall Creek) and 170 acres of 80 year old forest (Potter Creek) in Adaptive Management Areas. Nearly 200 acres of the McFall Creek project consists of a second phase of silvicultural treatments underlying research in the BLM's Western Oregon Density Management and Riparian Buffer Study Plan. This is in cooperation with Oregon State University and the USDA Forest Service Pacific Northwest Experiment Station. The proposed activities include commercial thinning, density management, road construction, road renovation, road reconstruction, coarse woody debris creation, precommercial thinning, and instream fish enhancement <del>.</del>	T8S, R7W, Section 31 and T8S, R8W, Section 35, Polk County; approximately 13- 15 miles southwest of Dallas, OR in the South Fork Siletz River Watershed.	The McFall Creek Timber Sale was sold in May, 2008. The Potter Creek Timber Sale Decision Record is planned for June, 2010 and is planned to be sold August, 2010.	Traci Meredith (503) 315-5991		

Table 2: Marys	Peak Resource Area Proposed Projec	cts						
Name / Description of Project	Location	Planning Status						
Watershed Restoration Actions								
<b>Upper and Lower Alsea River Watershed Fish Passage Restoration (EA# OR 080-08-15):</b> The proposed project would restore fish passage for anadromous and resident fish by replacing and/or improving six stream crossing culverts and remove a portion of a trash rack.	Upper Alsea River and Lower Alsea River Watersheds, Benton County; approximately 12 miles southwest of Philomath, OR.	Environmental Assessment planned for December, 2008. Decision Record for one culvert replacement planned for January, 2009. The project is proposed for fiscal year 2009.						
	Recreation Actions							
<b>Missouri Bend Boat Launch Replacement (CX # OR080-08-04):</b> Replace a deteriorating mechanical boat launch and adjacent stairs allowing safer winter access to Alsea River.	T14S, R9W Section 13 (Benton County), about 7 miles southwest of Alsea.	Categorical Exclusion to be completed summer 2008.						
Transp	ortation System Management Actions							
South Fork Alsea River Access Road (Road #14-6-34.1) Hazard Tree Removal and Alsea Falls Park Enhancement (EA# OR080-07-03): Alleviate risk to public users resulting from hazard trees and excessive buildup of leaf litter. Enhance vegetation, visual characteristics and safety hazards at Alsea Falls Recreation Site by managing structure and thinning trees. Remove densely stocked trees with low vigor and other hazard trees to enhance tree growth and stand health in addition to	Adjacent to a road designated as a backcountry byway (Road # 14-6-34.1) and Alsea Falls Recreation Site (T. 14 S., R. 7 S., Section 25 and 26). Benton County.	Scoping completed. Environmental Assessment to be completed in winter 2009. Decision record is planned for June, 2009 and timber sale is planned to be sold August, 2009.						

providing a visually appealing and safe park for visitors.			
Mi	scellaneous Land Use Requests		
<b>Process Requests (EA/CX/DNA):</b> For various land uses such as rights-of-way, tailholds, and special use permits.	Marys Peak Resource Area-wide	Ongoing.	Gary Humbard (503) 315-5981

Contact

Scott Snedaker (503) 315-5928

Traci Meredith (503) 315-5991

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Gary Humbard (503) 315-5981

Table 3: Tillamook Resource Area Proposed Projects				
Name / Description of Project	Location	Planning Status	Contact	
	etation Management Actions nt actions are described under the Multiple Project	ts heading)		
Pisgah Progeny Salvage (CX): The proposed action is to salvage log approximately 50 windthrown trees from existing roads and skid trails.	T4N, R2W, Section 31, Columbia County	Categorical Exclusion Review is expected to be completed in September 2008.	Sandra Holmberg (503) 815-1128	
Wa	tershed Restoration Actions			
<b>East Fork Nehalem Restoration (EA):</b> The proposed projects include: fisheries habitat enhancement, fish passage improvements, wildlife habitat enhancement, and riparian planting.	East Fork Nehalem River, Columbia County	Environmental Assessment was released for public comment in August 2008. A Decision is expected in October 2008.	Matt Walker (503) 815-1145	
	Multiple Projects			
<b>Moon Creek Projects (EA):</b> The proposed projects include: density management thinning on approximately 500 acres, fish and wildlife habitat enhancement, and road decommissioning.	Moon Creek area of the Nestucca River Watershed, Tillamook County	Environmental Assessment is expected to be released for public comment in September 2008.	Andy Pampush (503) 815-1143	
<b>Ginger Creek Projects (EA)</b> : The projects being considered include density management thinning on approximately 1,300 acres, road stabilization and decommissioning, and wildlife and fish habitat enhancement.	Ginger Creek and Cedar Creek area in the Nestucca River Watershed, Tillamook and Yamhill County	Scoping is expected to occur in October or November 2008. General comments and concerns are welcome.	Bob McDonald (503) 815-1110	
	Recreation Actions			
Process Requests (EA/CX/DNA): For various actions such as special use permits.	Tillamook Resource Area-wide.	Ongoing	Debra Drake (503) 815-1134	
Chinese Rock Sculpture Project (EA): Sculpting natural animals into existing disturbed rocks in Quarry Cove at Yaquina Head Outstanding Natural Area.	T10S, R11W, Section 30, Lincoln County; 3 miles north of Newport, OR	Early scoping	Joe Ashor (541) 574-3142	
Misc	ellaneous Land Use Requests			
<b>Process Requests (EA/CX/DNA):</b> For various land uses such as rights-of-way, tailholds, and special use permits.	Tillamook Resource Area-wide	Ongoing.	Bob McDonald (503) 815-1110	
<b>Natural Gas Competitive Leasing (EA)</b> : Approximately 15,000 acres of BLM- managed lands and private lands with federal mineral estate have been nominated by industry for competitive gas leasing.	T3N R3W, T4N R3W, T5N R3W, multiple sections, Columbia and Washington Counties.	Project development is beginning. Scoping is expected to occur in September or October 2008. General comments and concerns are welcome.	Bob McDonald (503) 815-1110	

Table 4: District-wide Proposed Projects				
Name / Description of Project	Location	Planning Status	Contact	
t	ion Management ActionS			
	Multiple Projects			
None				
	Recreation Actions			
None				
Transport	ation System Management Actions			
None				

## **Timber Sales for the Salem District - Fiscal Year 2008**

Please note that the authorized officer may subsequently change, alter or amend the information on any of these sales.

Resource Area	Cascades	Marys Peak	Marys Peak	Tillamook	Tillamook	Tillamook
Timber Sale Name	House Mountain	Condenser	Little Boulder Creek Salvage	Camp One	Fan Creek	Blind Barney
Probable Location (Twn, Rge, Sec)	T8S-R3E-31,32; T9S-R2E-1,15	T7S-R8W- 13/14/15	T8S, R8W, 11	T2S-R6W-4/6	T3S-R7W- 13/14/23/26	T1S-R6W-25 T1S-R5W-31 T2S-R5W-7 T2S-R6W-10
Land Use Allocation	GFMA	LSR	AMA	AMA	AMR	AMA
County	Marion	Polk	Polk	Tillamook	Tillamook	Tillamook
Proposed Harvest Type	Commercial Thinning	Density Management	WIndthrow Salvage	Density Management	Density Management	Density Management
Anticipated Acreage Involved	523	290	3	341	155	386
Anticipated Volume (MBF)	8,467	8469	140	6,200	1,722	6950
Probable Sale Offering Date	08/27/2008	8/27/2008	6/25/2008	8/27/2008	5/28/2008	8/27/2008
Set-Aside for SBA? (Yes or No)	No	NO	SSTS	No	No	No
NEPA Document Type (CX/EA) and Status	EA - Completed	EA	EA - completed	EA - completed	EA - completed	EA - completed
Items of Special Interest	None	None	For businesses with less than 25 employees	None	None	None
Timber Sale Status (In Preparation/ Advertised/ Sold)	Advertised	Advertised	Sold	Advertised	In Preparation	Advertised
Contact Person's Name	Rudy Hefter	Dan Schreindorfer	Dan Schreindorfer	Sandra Holmberg	Steve Bahe	Sandra Holmberg
Contact Person's Number	(503) 375-5646	(503) 315-5994	(503) 315-5994	(503) 815-1100	(503) 815-1100	(503) 815-1100

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Resource Area	Cascades	Cascades	Cascades	Mary's Peak	Mary's Peak	Mary's Peak
Timber Sale Name	Missouri Ridge	BeeLine	Gordon Creek I	Mainline II	Yamaha	Cold Springs
Probable Location (Twn, Rge, Sec)	T6S, R2E, Sec 7, 17, 9, 16	T5S, R4E, Sec 3, 10, 17, 21	T1S, R5E, Sec 11, 13, 15	T14S R6W 17	T14S-R7W-14,23	T9S R7W Sec. 3
Land Use Allocation	GFMMA / RR	GFMMA / RR	GFMMA / RR	GFMA	LSR	LSR
County	Marion	Clackamas	Multnomah	Polk	Polk	Polk
Proposed Harvest Type	Commercial Thinning	Commercial Thinning	Commercial Thinning	Commercial Thinning	Density Management	Density Management
Anticipated Acreage Involved	250	660	1350	157	161	176
Anticipated Volume (MBF)	2,530	6,240	20,000	5,400	3,800	3,000
Probable Sale Offering Date	11/19/2008	2/25/2009	5/27/2009	11/19/2008	11/19/2008	2/25/2009
Set-Aside for SBA? (Yes or No)	No	No	No	No	No	No
NEPA Document Type (CX/EA) and Status	EA - completed	EA - completed	EA - completed	EA - completed	EA - completed	EA - completed
Items of Special Interest	None	None	None			
Timber Sale Status (In Preparation/ Advertised/ Sold)	In Preparation	In Preparation	In Preparation	In Preparation	In Preparation	In Preparation
Contact Person's Name	Michael Barger	Keith Walton	Rudy Hefter	Dan Schreindorfer	Gary Humbard	Gary Humbard
Contact Person's Number	(503) 315-5932	(503) 375-5671	(503) 375-5676	(503) 315-5994	(503) 315-5981	(503) 315-5981

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Resource Area	Mary's Peak	Mary's Peak	Tillamook	Tillamook	Tillamook	
Timber Sale Name	Rickard Creek	S. Fk Hazard	Cherry Sunday	Toll Ridge	Hagerty Ridge	
Probable Location (Twn, Rge, Sec)	T13S, R6W, Sec29		T2S R5W 1, 3; T1S R5W 19, 34, 35	T1S R6W 34; T2S R6W 8, 16	T1S, R5W, Sec. 29, 31, 33	
Land Use Allocation	GFMA	LSR / GFMA	AMA / LSR	AMA	AMA	
County	Polk	Polk	Tillamook	Tillamook	Tillamook	
Proposed Harvest Type	Regeneration	DM / CT	Commercial Thinning	Commercial Thinning	Commercial Thinning	
Anticipated Acreage Involved	114	5	178	316	396	
Anticipated Volume (MBF)	4430	150	3636	5688	7128	
Probable Sale Offering Date	5/27/2009	8/26/2009	5/27/2009	2/25/2009	5/27/2009	
Set-Aside for SBA? (Yes or No)	No	No				
NEPA Document Type (CX/EA) and Status	EA - completed	EA In Preparation	EA	EA	EA	
Items of Special Interest	None	None	None	None	None	
Timber Sale Status (In Preparation/ Advertised/ Sold)	In Preparation	In Preparation	In Preparation	In Preparation	In Preparation	
Contact Person's Name	Phil Sjoding	Gary Humbard	Robert McDonald	Sandra Holmberg	Robert McDonald	
Contact Person's Number	(503) 315-5980	(503) 315-5981	(503) 815-1100	(503) 815-1100	(503) 815-1100	

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