

Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000
Public Law 106-393
Title II Project Submission Form
**Northeast Oregon Forests Resource Advisory
Committee**

1. Project Number (Assigned by Designated Federal Official): **UN-WAW07-004**

2. Project Name: Recreation Youth Crew	3. County: Union
4. Project Sponsor: Arlene Blumton	5. Date: November 2005
6. Sponsor's Phone Number: 541-962-8522	
7. Sponsors E-mail: ablumton@fs.fed.us	

8. Project Location	
a. 4 th Field Watershed Name and HUC #: Upper Grande Ronde River 17060104	
b. 5 th Field Watershed Name and HUC # (if known): Upper Grande Ronde 1706010485, Grande Ronde River/Hilgard 1706010487, Meadow Ck 1706010486 , Catherine Crk 1706010412	
c. Location: Township <u>2,3,4,5,6</u> Range <u>33,34,35, 36</u> Township <u>4,5</u> Range <u>40,41,42</u> Township _____ Range _____ Section(s) _____ Township _____ Range _____ Section(s) _____ Township _____ Range _____ Section(s) _____ Township _____ Range _____ Section(s) _____	
d. BLM District	e. BLM Resource Area
f. National Forest Wallowa-Whitman	g. Forest Service District La Grande Ranger District
h. State / Private / Other lands involved? Yes No	

9. Statement of Project Goals and Objectives: Maintain and rehabilitate developed recreation sites by employing Union County at-risk youth. Youth will restore riparian habitat, vegetate disturbed sites, manage uncontrolled recreation use, and maintain recreation sites. This is a partnership with the Training and Employment Consortium to fund natural resource work and provide opportunities for youth in the juvenile justice system. This project has been funded by RAC since 2003.

10. Project Description:
 A group of 5 to 8 youth at-risk will be employed through the Training and Employment Consortium during the summer to maintain and manage developed and dispersed recreation sites on La Grande Ranger District. Project work includes:

- Install structures to control motorized access;
- Plant trees and construct protective fencing;
- Restore native plant species;
- Improve parking and campsites;
- Pull noxious weeds;
- Restore riparian areas heavily damaged by uncontrolled recreation use; and
- Construct information signs and picnic tables.

11. Coordination of this project with other related project(s) on adjacent lands?

Yes No If yes, then describe

12. How does proposed project meet purposes of the Legislation? [Sec. 203(b)(1)]

Improves maintenance of existing infrastructure. [Sec. 2(b)]

Implements stewardship objectives that enhance forest ecosystems. [Sec. 2(b)]

Restores and improves land health. [Sec. 2(b)]

Restores water quality. [Sec. 2(b)]

13. Project Type (check one) [Sec. 203(b)(1)]

<input type="checkbox"/> Road Maintenance [Sec. 2(b)(2)(A)]	<input type="checkbox"/> Trail Maintenance [Sec. 2(b)(2)(A)]
<input type="checkbox"/> Road Decommission/Obliteration [Sec. 2(b)(2)(A)]	<input type="checkbox"/> Trail Obliteration [Sec. 2(b)(2)(A)]
<input type="checkbox"/> Other Infrastructure Maintenance (specify): [Sec. 2(b)(2)(A)]	
<input type="checkbox"/> Soil Productivity Improvement [Sec. 2(b)(2)(B)]	<input type="checkbox"/> Forest Health Improvement [Sec. 2(b)(2)(C)]
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Watershed Restoration & Mntc. [Sec. 2(b)(2)(D)]	<input type="checkbox"/> Wildlife Habitat Restoration [Sec. 2(b)(2)(E)]
<input type="checkbox"/> Fish Habitat Restoration [Sec. 2(b)(2)(E)]	Control of Noxious Weeds [Sec. 2(b)(2)(F)]
Reestablish Native Species [Sec. 2(b)(2)(G)]	
<input type="checkbox"/> Other Project Type (specify) [Sec. 2(b)(2)]:	

14. Measure of Project Accomplishments/Expected Outcomes [Sec. 203(b)(5)]

a. Total Acres: 20	b. Total Miles:
c. No. Structures: 25 (includes fences, signs, picnic tables)	d. Est. People Reached (for environmental education projects):
e. No. Laborer Days: 300-400 days	
f. Other (specify):	

15. Estimated Completion Date: [Sec. 203(b)(2)]

The funding for this phase of the project will be used by October 2007.

16. Target Species Benefited: (if applicable) (max. 7 lines)

Riparian associated species.

17. How will cooperative relationships among people that use federal lands be improved? [Sec. 2(b)(3) This project has numerous community partners including State, County and Federal agencies. Partners and the community will learn about youth projects, creating appreciation for improvements they have made. This success story may be a model for other at-risk youth advocacy partnerships.

This project will capitalize on the relationship of youth to natural systems. Youth will develop forest management tools and how to manage recreation use. These youth will be stewards, carrying new understanding and behaviors to families and friends; becoming the next generation of our lands' stewards.

18. How is this project in the best public interest? [Sec. 203(b)(7)] **Identify benefits to communities.**

Hundreds of youth are involved in the juvenile justice system in Union County. This project gives juvenile justice youth the training and experience they need to create a positive work history and employment recommendations, earn credits toward high school graduation, complete court ordered obligations, develop positive self-esteem, enhance their appreciation and understanding of forest and natural resource issues and obtain work experience in forestry.

19. How does project benefit federal lands/resources? (max. 12 lines) Degraded stream-side recreation

areas will be closed and restored and new campsites will be developed away from the stream where they will not damage riparian function. Trailheads will be designed to better accommodate increased use and parking needs. Special places of County residents and visitors will be better maintained.

20. Status of Project Planning			
a. NEPA Complete:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	
If no, give est. date of completion:			
c. NMFS Sec. 7 ESA Consultation Complete:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	
d. USFWS Sec. 7 ESA Consultation Complete:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	
e. Survey & Manage Complete:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable
f. DSL/ODFW* Permits for In-stream Work Obtained:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable
g. DSL/COE* 404 Fill/Removal Permit Obtained:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable
h. SHPO* Concurrence Received:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable
i. Project Design(s) Completed:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	
* DSL = Dept. of State Lands, ODFW = Oregon Dept.of Fish and Wildlife, COE = Army Corps of Engineers, SHPO = State Historic Preservation Officer			

21. Proposed Method(s) of Accomplishment (<i>check those that apply</i>)	
Contract	Federal Workforce
County Workforce	Volunteers
Other (specify): Youth Crew	

22. Will the Project Generate Merchantable Materials? [Sec. 204(e)(3)]

X Yes No

Maintenance and improvement of recreation facilities will contribute to the local tourism industry, the third largest industry in Union County.

23. Anticipated Project Costs [Sec. 203(b)(3)]	
a. Total County Title II Funds Requested: \$32,400	
b. Is this a multi-year funding request? X Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If yes, then display by fiscal year	
c. FY02 Request: -----	f. FY05 Request: \$ 15,640
d. FY03 Request: \$10,000	g. FY06 Request: \$ 15,000
e. FY04 Request: \$ 12,500	h. FY07 Request: \$32,400

Table 1. Project Cost Analysis

Item	<i>Column A</i> Fed. Agency Appropriated Contribution [Sec. 203(b)(4)]	<i>Column B</i> Requested County Title II Contribution [Sec. 203(b)(4)]	<i>Column C</i> Other Contributions [Sec. 203(b)(4)]	<i>Column D</i> Total Available Funds
24. Field Work & Site Surveys				
25. NEPA & Sec. 7 ESA Consultation				
26. Permit Acquisition				
27. Project Design & Engineering				
28. Contract Preparation				
29. Contract Administration				
30. Contract Cost				
31. Workforce Cost	\$8,000	\$22,000	\$15,000	\$45,000
32. Materials & Supplies(includes vehicle costs)	\$5,000	\$8,000	\$3,000	\$16,000
33. Monitoring	\$2,000			\$2,000
34. Other				
35. Project Sub-Total	\$15,000	\$30,000	\$18,000	\$63,000
36. Indirect Costs (Overhead @ 8% (per year for multi-year projects)		\$ 2,400		\$2,400
37. Total Cost Estimate	\$15,000	\$32,400	\$18,000	\$65,400

38. Identify Source(s) of Other Funding for Project Identified Above [Sec. 203(b)(4)] (max. 7 lines)
Grande Ronde Model Watershed, Training and Employment Consortium, 5-STAR Wetlands Grant, Union County Juvenile Department, Oregon Youth Authority, Juvenile Crime Prevention, Union County Schools and Education Service District, City of La Grande, Forest Service appropriated dollars

39. Monitoring Plan [Sec. 203(b)(6)]

- a. **What measures or evaluations will be made to determine how well the proposed project meets the desired ecological conditions?** [Sec. 203(b)(6)] (max. 7 lines)
Who is responsible for this monitoring item?: _____
Annual on-the-ground reviews will be conducted with the District Hydrologist and Recreation Specialist.
- b. **How will the project be evaluated to determine how well the proposed project contributes towards local employment and/or training opportunities, including summer youth jobs programs such as the Youth Conservation Corps?** [Sec. 203(b)(6)] (max. 7 lines)
Who is responsible for this monitoring item?: TEC will monitor the overall number of youth served and will provide follow-up services for 12 months to track employment of youth after they leave the project. Success will be measured by the number of youth that complete the project and integrate successfully into the community.
- c. **What methods and measures of evaluation will be established to determine how well the proposed project improves the use of, or added value to, any products removed from National Forest System lands consistent with the purposes of this Act?** [Sec. 203(b)(6) and Sec. 204(e)(3)] (max. 7 lines) Recreation use will be regularly monitored as described in the Forest Plan.
Who is responsible for this monitoring item?: US Forest Service
- d. **Identify total funding needed to carry out specified monitoring tasks (Table 1, Item 33)**
(max. 7 lines)
Amount \$2,000

Project Name: Reestablishing Native Plant Species on La Grande Ranger District

County Commissioner Concurrence

(Majority Required per charter)

A majority of the county commissioners of Union County have reviewed this proposed Public Law 106-393 project for the Blue Mt. Resource Advisory Council and agree with the proposal as submitted, except for the comments noted below:

Attested by Commissioner

Date

Priority Rating:

High Medium Low

Comments/Rational: