

## RECREATION MANAGEMENT

Camping	35 Campgrounds
Hiking/Riding	386 Miles of Trail
Hunting/Fishing	Dispersed Areas
Boating/Water Related	Lakes, Streams, Rivers
Viewing Scenery	Approx. 7,000 miles of Road
Snowmobile Trails	793 Miles
Winter Sports	Dispersed Areas and 1 Sledding Hill
Recreational Lodging	Murderer's Creek Work Center Fall Mountain Lookout Deer Creek Guard Station
Est. Annual Visitor Use	422,000

## FIRE MANAGEMENT

Number of Fires	154
Total Acres on Malheur NF Lands	289

Cause of Fire	
Lightning	106
Smoking	0
Arson	3
Campfire	30
Debris Burning	3
Equipment	1
Miscellaneous	5
Unknown	1

Fires less than 1 acre	134
Largest Fire	150 acres

## Fuels Accomplishments Treatment

Commercial Harvest	6,835
Burn Piles	2,221
Piling	2,738
Pre-Commercial Thin	3,543
Underburn	6,764
Lop and Scatter	<u>6</u>
<i>Total Acres Treated</i>	22,107

Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) Acres	2,371
Non-WUI Acres	19,736

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# FOREST FACTS 2008 MALHEUR NATIONAL FOREST

October 1, 2007 - September 30, 2008



Malheur National Forest - 100 Years  
"Caring for the Land, Serving the People"

Malheur National Forest  
P.O. Box 909  
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John Day, Oregon 97845  
(541)575-3000

## FOREST SUPERVISOR AND STAFF (2008)

Forest Supervisor	Doug Gochnour
Deputy Forest Supervisor/AO	Teresa Raaf
Natural Resources	Rene' Mabe
Fire and Aviation	Jeff Pendleton
Planning	Carole Holly (Acting)
Health and Safety	Bob Pugh
Public Affairs, Heritage & Recreation	Jennifer Harris
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## DISTRICT RANGERS (2008)

Blue Mountain Ranger District P.O. Box 909 431 Patterson Bridge Road John Day, Oregon 97845 (541)575-3000	Brooks Smith
Prairie City Ranger District P.O. Box 337 Prairie City, Oregon 97869 (541)820-3800	Elaine Kohrman
Emigrant Creek Ranger District 265 Highway 20 South Hines, Oregon 97783 (541)573-4300	Jerry Hensley

## HISTORY AND BACKGROUND

Blue Mountain Forest Reserve established March 15, 1906.

Forest Reserve names changed to National Forests,  
March 4, 1907.

Malheur National Forest established June 13, 1908.

## LANDSCAPE SETTING

High desert grasslands, alpine lakes and meadows, upland meadows, mountain ranges, forest of pine, spruce, larch and fir.

Lowest elevation 3,360 feet (near the Middle Fork of the John Day River). Highest elevation 9,038 feet (on top of Strawberry Mountain).

## LAND AREA

National Forest land administered by the Malheur National Forest (includes approximately 241,000 acres within Ochoco National Forest.)

**Total Acres** 1,708,686

## By County

Grant	1,128,930
Harney	526,067
Baker	46,357
Crook	9,726
Malheur	606

## By District

Blue Mountain	706,611
Prairie City	367,979
Emigrant Creek	634,096

## Lakes and Reservoirs

Trout Farm	1 acre
Magone Lake	50 acres
Canyon Meadows Reservoir	25 acres
Yellowjacket Reservoir	25 acres
Delintment Lake	62 acres
Strawberry Lake (in Wilderness)	31 acres
Little Strawberry Lake (in Wilderness)	4 acres
Slide Lake (in Wilderness)	13 acres
Little Slide Lake (in Wilderness)	13 acres
High Lake (in Wilderness)	5 acres

## Wilderness and Special Interest Areas

Strawberry Mountain Wilderness	68,700 acres
Monument Rock Wilderness	19,650 acres
Canyon Creek Research Natural Area	738 acres
Vinegar Hill Indian Rock Scenic Area	2,824 acres
Cedar Grove Botanical Area	167 acres
Malheur Wild and Scenic River	12.0 miles
North Fork Malheur Scenic River	22.9 miles
Cedar Grove National Recreation Trail	1.0 miles
Arch Rock National Recreation Trail	0.3 miles
Malheur River Nat'l Recreation Trail	7.5 miles

## Heritage Resources

Archaeological Sites	4,550
Historic Buildings	79

**EMPLOYEES**

Permanent Full-time/Permanent Part-time and Temporary 218

HUMAN RESOURCE PROGRAMS	# of People	Value of Work
Hosted Programs	38	\$ 5,434
Volunteers in National Forests	61	\$207,738

A total of 4,434 hours were worked by hosted employees and 11,223 hours by volunteers.

**FISCAL INFORMATION**

Final Budget	\$22,379,022
Expenditures	\$21,930,737

Note: The difference between the final budget and expenditures reflect projects that carried over into the next year.

**Collection from Sale and Use of Forest Products**

KV Funds	\$109,149
Salvage	\$ 73,626
Brush Disposal	\$ 21,167
Range, Special Uses and Other	\$ 92,300
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$296,242</b>

**Recreation Fee Revenue** \$58,842

**Payment to Counties**

(Title II of the Secure Rural Schools and Self-Determination Act)

Grant	\$ 953,368
Harney	\$ 180,010
Baker	\$ 1,360
Crook	\$ 11,008
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,145,746</b>

Types of projects funded included: watershed restoration, weed management, and road maintenance. Many of these projects provided jobs in local communities.

*This fact sheet is only a summary of the Forest's activities. To find out more about the Malheur National Forest, please visit us at: [www.fs.fed.us/r6/malheur](http://www.fs.fed.us/r6/malheur) or call us at (541)575-3000.*

**TIMBER MANAGEMENT**

Number of Timber Sales	12
Timber Sold	25.0 mmbf
Timber Cut	12.6 mmbf
Timber Sold Value	\$1,238,868
Post and Pole Permits Sold	54
Value of Post and Pole Permits	\$1,558
Firewood Permits Sold	1,950
Number of Cords of Firewood	8,640
Value of Firewood Permits	\$43,200
Christmas Tree Tags Sold	582
Value of Christmas Tree Tags	\$2,910
Mushroom Permits Sold	589
Value of Mushroom Permits Sold	\$18,151
Acres Reforestation	1,915
Acres Pre-commercial Thinning	3,939

**Forest Timber Species**

Western Larch	Grand Fir
Ponderosa Pine	Alpine Fir
Lodgepole Pine	White Fir
Englemann Spruce	Douglas Fir
Western Juniper	

**RANGE MANAGEMENT**

Number of Allotments	111
Number of Permittees	95
Permitted Cow/Calf Units	97,632
Permitted Sheep/Lamb Units	1,530
Murderer's Creek Wild Horse Territory	180,000 acres

**ENGINEERING, LANDS AND MINERALS**

Existing Roads	
High Clearance Vehicles	5,795 miles
Suitable for Passenger Cars	1,225 miles
Mining Claims	105

**WATERSHED AND AQUATICS PROTECTION AND IMPROVEMENT**

Soil and Water Resource Improvement	35 acres
Stream Surveys	38 miles

**FISH, WILDLIFE AND BOTANY HABITAT MANAGEMENT**

**Wildlife Habitat Accomplishments *With* Partners**

8 Projects - 14,118 acres	
Forest Service Dollars	\$ 58,457
Partner Dollars	\$ 21,259
Partner In-kind Value	\$ 63,568
<b>Total Project Dollars</b>	<b>\$143,284</b>

**Wildlife Habitat Accomplishments *Without* Partners**

7 Projects - 1,604 acres	
<b>Total Project Dollars</b>	<b>\$143,874</b>

**Fisheries Habitat Accomplishments *With* Partners**

5 Projects - 18 miles stream restored/inventoried	
Forest Service Dollars	\$ 34,502
Partner Dollars	\$ 500
Partner In-kind Value	\$122,400
<b>Total Project Dollars</b>	<b>\$157,402</b>

**Fisheries Habitat Accomplishments *Without* Partners**

17 Projects	
Out Year Planning	\$ 64,000
Program Management	\$ 78,785
<b>Total Project Dollars</b>	<b>\$143,785</b>

**NatureWatch Accomplishments *With* Partners**

6 Projects - 22 Presentations/778 Attendees	
Forest Service Dollars	\$5,510
Partner Dollars	\$1,500
Partner In-kind Value	\$2,750
<b>Total Project Dollars</b>	<b>\$9,760</b>

**Threatened and Endangered Species & Accomplishments *With* Partners**

2 Projects - 2 structures/10,103 acres habitat inventoried	
Forest Service Dollars	\$12,269
Partner Dollars	\$ 1,200
Partner In-kind Value	\$12,730
<b>Total Project Dollars</b>	<b>\$26,199</b>



Little "buckaroo" at community centennial celebration!

**FISH, WILDLIFE AND BOTANY HABITAT MANAGEMENT**

**Forest Flora and Fauna**

Amphibian and Reptiles	23 species
Fish	22 species
Birds	235 species
Mammals	85 species
Forbs (wildflowers)	737 species
Grasses	94 species
Grass-like (sedge, rush)	68 species
Shrub	80 species
Tree	20 species

**Big Game Species**

Rocky Mountain Elk	Black Bear
California Bighorn Sheep	Cougar
Pronghorn Antelope	Mule Deer
Mountain Goat	Whitetail Deer

**Fur Bearers**

Pine Marten	Coyote
Bobcat	Mink
Beaver	

**Game Fish**

Smallmouth Bass	Steelhead
Chinook Salmon	Brook Trout
Cutthroat Trout	Redband Trout
Rainbow Trout	

**Sensitive, Threatened, and Endangered Species**

Northern Bald Eagle	Bufflehead
American Peregrine Falcon	Bobolink
Greater Sage Grouse	Gray Flycatcher
Upland Sandpiper	Lewis' Woodpecker
Tricolored Blackbird	White-headed Woodpecker
California Wolverine	Pygmy Rabbit
Westslope Cutthroat Trout	Columbia Spotted Frog
Redband Trout	
Columbia River Bulltrout	
Mid-Columbia Sumer Steelhead	

**Sensitive Plants**

Mustard Family - 1	Carrot Family - 1
Fern Family - 6	Figwort - 1
Waterleaf - 1	Orchid - 1
Sedge - 3	Aster - 1
Pea - 1	Lily - 1