

Bureau of Land Management Salem District Project Update

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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:

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Monday - Friday

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Tillamook, OR 97141
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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 timber sales are described in Table 5.**

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:

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

Scoping -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.

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

Analyzing Effects - 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).

Comment Period - 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.

Notice of Decisions - 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 National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). Specifically, Council of Environmental Quality (CEQ) regulations for the 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 Salem 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 five-month public comment period of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) ended on January 11, 2008. In response to the DEIS, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) received almost 30,000 submissions through the Web Forum and through 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, they have been posted on the BLM's website at: http://www.blm.gov/or/plans/wopr/pub_comments.

The BLM has reviewed the comments received, and is using those suggestions to prepare the Proposed Resource Management Plan and Final Environmental Impact Statement that will be released in the fall. The BLM will announce the availability of the document through the media, the website, and the project mailing list.

If you have questions, please visit the project website at: <http://www.blm.gov/or/plans/wopr>. You can also contact the project office, through e-mail at orwopr@or.blm.gov, or any of the BLM offices in western Oregon for more information.

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)			
Beeline Thinning (EA# OR080-06-06): 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	EA completed March 20, 2007. Final decision expected in January 2009	Keith Walton (503) 375-5676
Better Butte/ Cherry Mill (EA # OR080-08-04): 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.	Better Butte: T. 7 S. R. 2 E. sections 23, 25, 33, 35; within the Pudding and Molalla River watersheds near Scotts Mills, OR Cherry Mill: T. 9 S. R. 2 E. sections 1, 13, 23; within the Little North Santiam and Middle North Santiam watersheds near Mill City, OR	Scoping in progress. Environmental Assessment to be completed September 2008. Decision expected in 2009.	Leah Schofield (503) 315-5926
Gordon Creek (EA# OR080-07-05): 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, OR	EA completed September 26, 2007. Decision expected in 2009.	Keith Walton (503) 375-5676
Highland Fling (EA # OR080-08-05): 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., Sections 1, 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, OR	Scoping in progress. Environmental Assessment to be completed September 2008. Decision expected in 2009.	Keith Walton (503) 375-5676
House Mountain Thinning (EA# OR080-04-20): The proposed action is to thin approximately 535 acres with an average stand age of 60-80 years: 400 acres in the General Forest Management Area land use allocation (LUA), 17 acres in the Connectivity LUA, 8 acres in the Late Successional Reserve LUA and 110 acres in the Riparian Reserve LUA.	T8S, R3E, Sec 31, 33, T9S, R2E, Sec. 15. T9S, R3E, Sec 7, 13	EA completed July 19, 2005. Decision expected in July 2008.	Rudy Hefter (503) 375-5671
Lost Lulay (EA #OR080-08-06): 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, OR	Scoping in progress. Environmental Assessment to be completed September 2008. Decision expected in 2009.	Keith Walton (503) 375-5676
Missouri Ridge Thinning (EA# OR080-04-20): 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	EA completed July 19, 2005. Decision expected in 2009.	Rudy Hefter (503) 375-5671
Round Mountain Thinning (EA# OR080-04-20): The selected action is to thin approximately 142 acres of 40-68 year old stands: 128 acres in the Matrix land use allocation (LUA) and 14 acres in the Riparian Reserve LUA.	T11S, R1E, Sec. 33, T12S, R1E, Sec 3 within the Hamilton Creek and Crabtree Creek watersheds	EA completed July 19, 2005. Decision issued April 29, 2008.	Rudy Hefter (503) 375-5671

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Name / Description of Project	Location	Planning Status	Contact
Watershed Restoration Actions			
<p>Evans Creek Slide (EA#OR080-08-09): 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.</p>	T. 8S, R. 4E, Section 19	Scoping in progress. Environmental Assessment to be completed spring 2008. Project planned for fall or winter 08.	Patrick Hawe (503) 315-5974
Multiple Projects			
None			
Recreation Actions			
<p>Wildwood Footbridge Repair (EA): 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.</p>	T2S, R7E, Section 31 at the Wildwood Recreation Site	Scoping in progress. Environmental Assessment to be completed summer 2008.	Zach Jarrett (503) 375-5610
<p>Wildwood Main Power line (CX) Replace/upgrade main power line into and through the Wildwood Recreation Site.</p>	T2S, R7E, Section 31 at the Wildwood Recreation Site	Ongoing	Zach Jarrett (503) 375-5610
Transportation System Management Actions			
<p>Road Maintenance and Repair (EA/CX/DNA)</p>	Cascades Resource Area	Ongoing	Dan Nevin (503) 375-5673
Miscellaneous Land Use Requests			
<p>Process Requests (EA/CX/DNA): For various land uses such as rights-of-way, tailholds, and special use permits.</p>	Cascades Resource Area-wide	Ongoing	Carolyn Sands (503) 315-5973
<p>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.</p>	Cascades Resource Area – wide	Environmental Assessment is in progress, to be completed in June 2008.	Dan Nevin (503) 375-5673
Watershed Analysis and other Management Plans			
<p>Molalla River Corridor Plan: 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.</p>	Molalla Watershed	Pre-plan work. Public meetings will take place in summer 2008.	Zach Jarrett (503) 375-5610
<p>Sandy River Management Plan: Will address long term resource protection and management needs for BLM-managed lands in the Sandy River Basin.</p>	Sandy River Basin: T1S-R4E, T2S-R4E, T2S-R5E, T2S-R6E, T2S-R7E, T2S-R8E, about 30 miles east of Portland OR.	Ongoing. Environmental Assessment 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
Vegetation Management Actions (Additional vegetation management actions are described under the Multiple Projects heading)			
Yamaha Late Successional Reserve Enhancement/Aquatic Restoration (EA# OR080-06-18): 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 December, 2008. The timber sale project is proposed for fiscal year 2009.	Gary Humbar (503) 315-5981
Bottleneck Late Successional Reserve Enhancement (EA#OR 080-07-16): 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 May 2008. Decision Record planned for June, 2009. The timber sale project is proposed for fiscal year 2010.	Gary Licata (503) 315-5948
Condenser Peak Late-Successional Reserve Enhancement (EA# OR 080-05-07): 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 planned for July 2008. The timber sale is planned for August, 2008.	Gary Humbar (503) 315-5981
Cold Springs Late-Successional Reserve Enhancement (EA# OR 080-05-12): 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 December, 2008. The timber sale project is proposed for fiscal year 2009.	Gary Humbar (503) 315-5981
Mainline II Thinning (EA# OR080-05-11): 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 fiscal year 2009.	Dan Schreindorfer (503) 315-5994
Rickard Creek Timber Sale (EA# OR 080-04-16): 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
Western Salem Integrated Non-Native Plant Management Plan Revision (EA# OR080-03-10): Marys Peak Resource Area completed an EA for weed treatment and control in late January 2008. Included in the analysis is the use of chemicals (Glyphosate only) for control of Oregon State listed noxious weeds. This EA will include the Tillamook Resource Area in the analysis.	Westside Salem District, Coast Range.	The comment period on the EA closed February 2008. A Decision Record was signed and the 15 day protest period ended May 1, 2008. No protest was received.	Ron Exeter (503) 315-5963

Table 2: Marys Peak Resource Area Proposed Projects

Name / Description of Project	Location	Planning Status	Contact
<p>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.</p>	<p>Alsea River Basin, including the Upper Alsea, Lower Alsea, and Five Rivers –Lobster Creek watersheds, Benton and Lincoln counties, Oregon.</p>	<p>EA/FONSI/DR to be completed in summer 2008.</p>	<p>Scott Hopkins (503) 315-5956</p>
<p>Upper Alsea River Watershed Timber Sales (EA# OR 080-08-08): The proposed project areas are within approximately 800 acres of Late Successional Reserve and Riparian Reserves. One project 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.</p>	<p>South Fork Alsea River Watershed, Benton County; approximately 12 miles southwest of Philomath, OR.</p>	<p>Environmental Assessment planned for March, 2009. Decision Records planned for June, 2009. The projects are proposed for fiscal year 2010.</p>	<p>Gary Humbar (503) 315-5981</p>
<p>Green Peak II Density Management and Riparian Buffer Study (EA# OR 080-08-14): 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.</p>	<p>Marys River Watershed, Benton County; approximately 12 miles southwest of Corvallis, OR.</p>	<p>Environmental Assessment planned for March 2009. Decision Record planned for June, 2009. The project is proposed for fiscal year 2010.</p>	<p>Cory Geisler (503) 315-5949</p>
<p>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.</p>	<p>Marys Peak Resource Area</p>	<p>Categorical Exclusion planned for August, 2008.</p>	<p>Gary Humbar (503) 315-5981</p>
Multiple Projects			
<p>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.</p>	<p>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</p>	<p>Environmental Assessment completed in November 2007. The McFall Creek Decision Rationale was signed in March, 2008 and is planned to be sold May, 2008. The Potter Creek Decision Rationale is planned for June, 2010 and is planned to be sold August, 2010.</p>	<p>Traci Meredith (503) 315-5991</p>

Table 2: Marys Peak Resource Area Proposed Projects

Name / Description of Project	Location	Planning Status	Contact
Recreation Actions			
Alsea Falls and South Fork Alsea Byway Special Recreation Management Area Plan (EA# OR080-06-16): Develop a comprehensive recreation management plan of the Alsea Falls Recreation Site, South Fork Byway and surrounding Special Recreation Management Area.	T14S, R7W, Sections 17, 19-21, 25-36, T14S, R6W, Section 31, T15S, R8W, Section 1, T15S, R7W, Sections 2-8, 10, 12, and T15S, R6W, Sections 5&7 (Benton County), about 8 miles southwest of Alsea	Early scoping and assessment ongoing; general comments and concerns welcome. Environmental Assessment to be completed by fall 2009.	Traci Meredith (503) 315-5991
Alsea Falls Business Plan: Develop a business plan to raise group site fees to \$20 per night and implement a minimal day use fee to start in spring 2009.	T14S, R7W Section 25 (Benton County), about 8 miles southwest of Alsea	Categorical Exclusion planned for completion summer of 2008 in time for the next Recreation RAC meeting in fall 2008.	Traci Meredith (503) 315-5991
Missouri Bend Boat Launch Replacement (CX # OR080-08-04): 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.	Traci Meredith (503) 315-5991
Marys Peak Recreation Site Hazard Tree Removal (CX# OR080-08-03): Remove hazard trees in recreation sites over the next 5 years.	T. 14S, R. 7 S, Section 25, Alsea Falls Recreation Site and T. 14 S, R. 9 W, Section 13, Missouri Bend Recreation Site in Benton County, and T. 7 S., R. 6 W., Section 4, Mill Creek Recreation Site in Polk County	Categorical Exclusion completed spring 2008.	Traci Meredith (503) 315-5991
Transportation 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 manipulating/thinning trees to produce larger trees that are more appealing. Remove densely stocked trees with low vigor and other hazard trees to enhance tree growth and stand health in addition to providing a visually appealing and safe park for visitors.	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).	Scoping for Alsea Falls Recreation Site during the summer of 2008. Environmental Assessment to be completed in spring 2009.	Traci Meredith (503) 315-5991 or Gary Humbar (503) 315-5981
Miscellaneous Land Use Requests			
Process Requests (EA/CX/DNA): For various land uses such as rights-of-way, tailholds, and special use permits.	Marys Peak Resource Area-wide	Ongoing.	Gary Humbar (503) 315-5981
Maxfield Creek LWD Placement on Private Lands and Meadow Restoration (OR-080-07-15): Cutting of trees encroaching into upland meadows on BLM land and helicopter placement of the trees into Maxfield Creek for instream fish habitat enhancement on private land.	Maxfield Creek, northwest of Corvallis, OR. T10S, R5W, Sections 19, and T10S, R6W, Sections 23 and 24. Benton County.	Environmental Assessment completed November, 2007. Decision Rationale was signed April 2008.	Gary Humbar (503) 315-5981
Watershed Analysis			
Process Requests (EA/CX/DNA): For various land uses such as right-of-ways, easements, etc.	Tillamook Resource Area-wide.	Ongoing	Bob McDonald (503) 815-1110

Table 3: Tillamook 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)			
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 June 2008.	Sandra Holmberg (503) 815-1128
Watershed Restoration Actions			
East Fork Nehalem Restoration (EA): The proposed projects include: fisheries habitat enhancement, fish passage improvements, wildlife habitat enhancement, and riparian planting.	East Fork Nehalem River, Columbia County	Environmental Assessment is expected to be released for public comment in July 2008.	Matt Walker (503) 815-1145
Multiple Projects			
Moon Creek Projects (EA): 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 July 2008.	Andy Pampush (503) 815-1143
Everpower Right-of-Way (CX): Grant a new right-of-way to Everpower Renewables for a utility line along an existing BLM road.	T2S, R6W, sections 8 and 18, Yamhill County, Oregon	Categorical Exclusion to be completed spring 2008.	Bob McDonald (503) 815-1110
East Fork Nehalem Watershed Assessment. The BLM is cooperating with the Nehalem Watershed C	Portion of the Nehalem River Watershed	Expected completion in 2008.	Carolina Hooper (503) 315-5927
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

Table 4: District-wide Proposed Projects

Name / Description of Project	Location	Planning Status	Contact
Vegetation Management Actions			
Western Salem Integrated Non-Native Plant Management Plan Revision (EA# OR080-03-10): The Tillamook Resource Area is writing a new EA for weed treatment and control. Included in the analysis is the use of chemicals (Glyphosate only) for control of Oregon State listed noxious weeds. This EA will include the Mary's Peak Resource Area in the analysis.	Westside Salem District, Coast Range.	Environmental Assessment to be completed in a few months.	Kurt Heckerth (503) 815-1132
Salem Sample Tree Falling (CX): Felling, bucking, and scaling sample trees to ensure accuracy of timber cruises.	Salem District-wide	Categorical Exclusion was completed in May, 2008. Decision Notice posted June 2, 2008	Clarke Tiecke (503) 315-5975
Multiple Projects			
None			
Recreation Actions			
None			
Transportation System Management Actions			
None			

Table 5: 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	Cascades	Cascades	Marys Peak	Marys Peak	Marys Peak
Timber Sale Name	McDowell Creek Thin	Round Mountain Thinning	House Mountain	Condenser	McFall Creek	Neuman Rd LSR
Probable Location (Twn, Rge, Sec)	T12S-R1E-21,25,27	T11S, R1E, 33; T12S, R1E, 3	T8S-R3E-31,32; T9S-R2E-1,15	T7S-R8W-13/14/15	T8S-R7W-31	T7S, R7W, Sec. 1 and 2
Land Use Allocation	GFMA/RR	GFMA/CON	GFMA	LSR	AMA	LSR & Riparian Reserve
Proposed Harvest Type	Commercial Thinning	Commercial Thinning	Commercial Thinning	Density Management	Commercial Thinning / Density Management	Density Management
Anticipated Acreage Involved	570	196	400	290	317	101
Anticipated Volume (MBF)	9,610	2,800	7000	8318	9617	1,716
Probable Sale Offering Date	5/28/2008	5/28/2008	08/27/2008	8/27/2008	5/28/2008	11/28/2007
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	EA	EA - Completed
Items of Special Interest	None	None	None	None	Research project with OSU. 221 Acres Helicopter yarding	None
Timber Sale Status (In Preparation/ Advertised/ Sold)	Sold	Sold	In Preparation	In Preparation	Sold	SOLD
Contact Person's Name	Keith Walton	Chris Papen	Rudy Hefter	Dan Schreindorfer	Traci Meredith	Gary Humbard
Contact Person's Number	(503) 375-5646	(503) 375-5646	(503) 375-5646	(503) 315-5994	(503) 315-5991	(503) 315-5981

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Table 5: 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	Marys Peak	Marys Peak	Marys Peak	Tillamook	Tillamook	Tillamook
Timber Sale Name	Little Boulder Creek Salvage	Lake Lyons Salvage	Poison Oak Salvage	Camp One	Fan Creek	Blind Barney
Probable Location (Twn, Rge, Sec)	T8S, R8W, 11	T13S, R7W, 29	T6S, R6W, 35	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	AMA	GFMA	AMA	AMA	AMR	AMA
Proposed Harvest Type	Windthrow Salvage	Windthrow Salvage	Windthrow Salvage	Density Management	Density Management	Density Management
Anticipated Acreage Involved	3	2	29	341	160	386
Anticipated Volume (MBF)	140	57	71	6,200	1,600	6950
Probable Sale Offering Date	6/25/2008	5/28/2008	5/28/2008	8/27/2008	5/28/2008	8/27/2008
Set-Aside for SBA? (Yes or No)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown
NEPA Document Type (CX/EA) and Status	EA - completed	EA - completed	EA - completed	EA - completed	EA - completed	EA - completed
Items of Special Interest	For businesses with less than 25 employees	For businesses with less than 25 employees	For businesses with less than 25 employees	None	None	None
Timber Sale Status (In Preparation/ Advertised/ Sold)	In Preparation	Sold	Sold	In Preparation	Did Not Sell	In Preparation
Contact Person's Name	Dan Schreindorfer	Dan Schreindorfer	Dan Schreindorfer	Sandra Holmberg	Sandra Holmberg	Sandra Holmberg
Contact Person's Number	503 315-5994	503 315-5994	503 315-5994	503 815-1100	503 815-1100	503 815-1100

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