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What You Can Find in This Document

Updates like this one are usually published annually. While the format is flexible, major sections similar to those described below will be included in each edition.

Summary of Work: This section identifies the FY accomplishments and work proposed for the following year. Usually only exceptional work or issues are discussed. Additional information is available to individuals upon request.

Rangeland Program Summary: This section outlines progress being made in implementing rangeland management objectives identified in the RA's land use plans and identifies recent actions in allotments.

National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Register: Listed in this section are those NEPA documents completed and documents initiated this FY.

Appendices

- ✓ An Acronym / Abbreviation Guide: A list of acronyms used throughout the document.
- ✓ Resource Management Plan (RMP) Maintenance Sheets: Minor changes, refinements, or clarifications in the RMP including incorporating new data are called plan maintenance actions. Plan maintenance actions do not expand the scope of resource uses or restrictions or change terms, conditions, or decisions of the approved RMPs. Maintenance actions are not considered plan amendments or revisions and do not require formal public involvement and interagency coordination. However, these types of actions are reported in planning updates.
- ✓ Categorical Exclusion (CX) Guide: Provides a definition and use of Categorical Exclusions specific to the Forestry Program.

INTRODUCTION

This Planning Update is part of the Bureau of Land Management's (BLM) continuing commitment to keep you informed of the management of public lands in south-eastern Oregon. Planning Updates, like this one, are published periodically, usually on an annual basis for all BLM Districts in Oregon and Washington. In rare instances, an update may go unpublished for several years as is the case for this document which includes information from Fiscal Years (FY) 2004-2008. It is our hope this update will help you understand land management decisions and current proposals occurring within the BLM's Burns District including Three Rivers and Andrews Resource Areas (RA). This document is not intended to be a comprehensive description of all activities, but rather a summary of land use plan implementation activities completed in recent years and activities planned for the upcoming year.

The Burns District manages over three million acres of public lands located primarily in Harney County (southeastern Oregon) and is divided into two RAs: Andrews RA and Three Rivers RA. The two RAs are further divided into lands contained within the boundary of Steens Mountain Cooperative Management and Protection Area (CMPA) and those outside the boundary; in Andrews RA, the latter are titled Andrews Management Unit (AMU). The two RAs differ in the major types of management activities that occur due to differences in types of natural resource values present.

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SUMMARY OF WORK ACCOMPLISHMENTS

This document is not intended to be a comprehensive description of all activities, but rather a summary of land use plan implementation activities, both accomplished and planned. For additional information, please contact the Burns District Office.

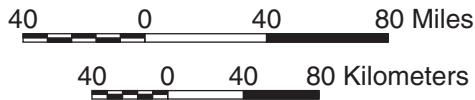
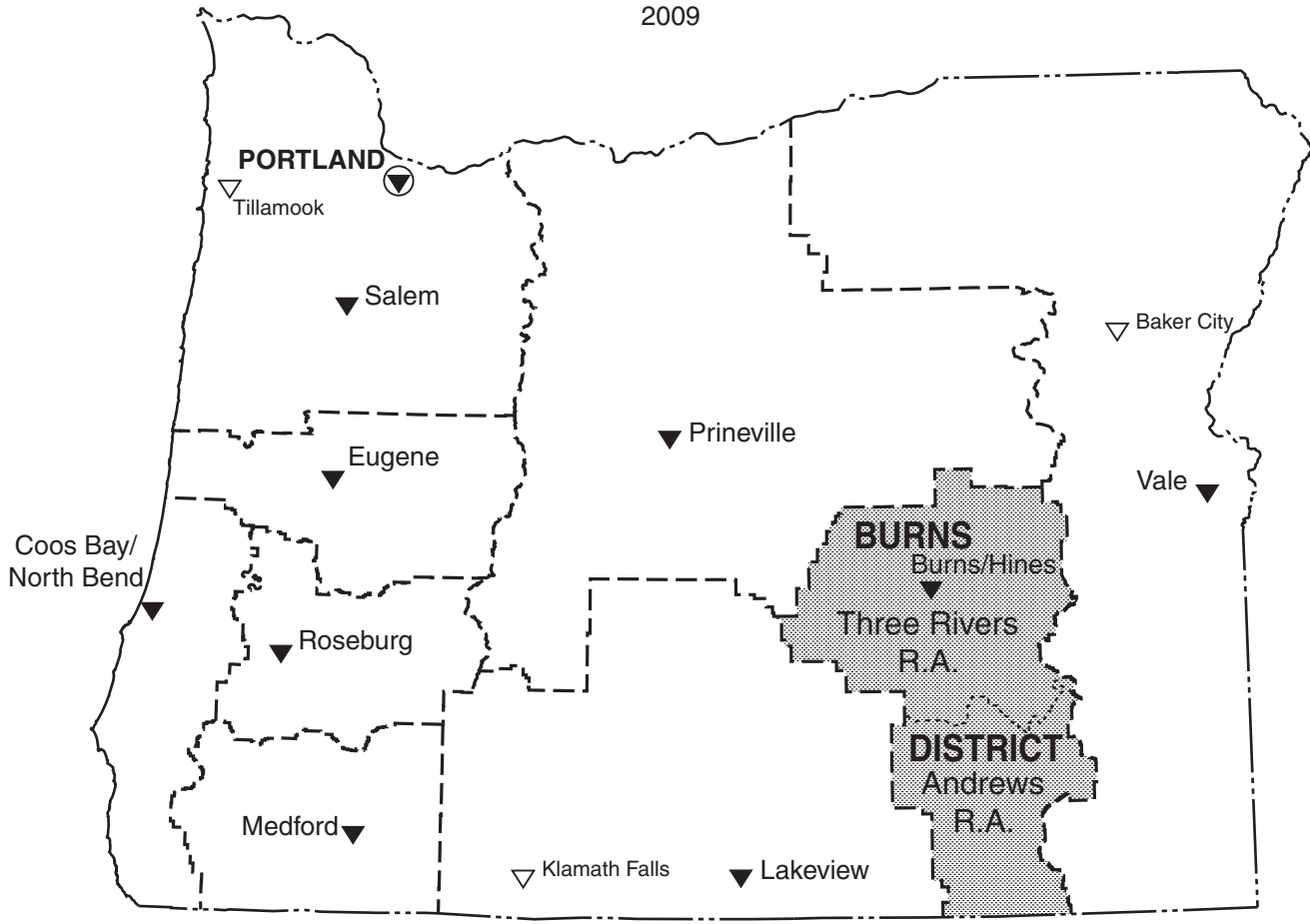
This summary includes FY04, FY05, FY06, and FY07 accomplishments and planned work for FY08 for the following:

- Terrestrial Habitat and Species Management
- Noxious Weeds
- Special Areas
- Cultural Resource Program
- Recreation
- Woodlands and Forest Management
- Minerals
- Land Tenure Adjustments, Access and Rights of Ways
- Hazardous Materials
- Wildfire and Fuels Management
- Law Enforcement
- Wild Horse and Burro Program
- Volunteers and Outreach

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FIGURE 1 - GENERAL LOCATION MAP

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LEGEND

-  BLM State Office
-  BLM District Office
-  BLM Resource Area Office
-  BLM District Boundary
-  BLM Resource Area Boundary



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The following table (Table S-1) provides a summary of resource management actions, directions and accomplishments for the AMU and CMPA RMPs completed near the end of FY05. A table is not represented for the Three Rivers RMP. This RMP was completed in 1992 and will be evaluated in FY08 or FY09 to determine if decisions and the NEPA analysis are still valid.

Land use plans are evaluated periodically to determine if decisions remain relevant to current issues, if decisions are effective in achieving (or making progress toward achieving) desired outcomes, if any decisions need to be revised, if any decisions need to be dropped from further consideration, and if any areas require new decisions. In making these determinations, the evaluation should consider if mitigation measures are satisfactory, if there are significant changes in the related plans of other entities, and if there are new data of significance to this plan.

Plan evaluations are completed prior to any plan revisions or major plan amendments. Special or unscheduled evaluations may also be required to review unexpected management actions or significant changes in the related plans of American Indian tribes, other Federal agencies, and State and local governments, or to evaluate legislation or litigation that has potential to trigger an RMP amendment or revision. Evaluations may identify resource needs and means for correcting deficiencies and addressing issues through plan maintenance, amendments, or new starts. They should also identify where new and emerging resource issues and other values have surfaced. Evaluations may also identify new and innovative practices that improve effectiveness and efficiency so other offices may benefit.



Photo. Nighthawk napping

Table S-1 Steens Mountain CMPA and AMU RMPs Planning Areas, Summary of Resource Management Actions, Directions and Accomplishments

RMP Resource Allocation or Management Practice or Activity	Activity Units	FY 2006 Accomplishments or Program Status	FY 2007 Accomplishments or Program Status	Cumulative Practices, since RMP approval*
Realty, Rights-of-Way (ROWs), Transportation Systems				
Land sales	Actions/acres	0	0	0
Land acquisitions by purchase, donation, withdrawal revocation, etc.	Actions/acres	0 (AMU) 1/5 Acres (CMPA)	0 (AMU) 0 (CMPA)	0 (AMU) 1/5 acres (CMPA)
Land exchanges	Actions/acres acquired/acres disposed	0	0	0
Recreation and Public Purpose actions	Number leases or patents/acres	0	0	0
Utility ROWs authorized	Actions/miles	0	1 action/0.34-mile (AMU) 0 (CMPA)	1/0.34 (AMU) 0 (CMPA)
Road ROWs acquired for public/agency use	Actions/miles	1 action/.2-mile (AMU) 0 (CMPA)	1 action/1.49 miles (AMU) 1 action/14.43 miles (CMPA)	2 actions/1.69 miles (AMU) 1 action/14.43 miles (CMPA)
Road ROWs granted	Actions/mile	2 actions/1.55 miles (AMU) 0 (CMPA)	1 action/1.66 miles (AMU) 0 (CMPA)	3 actions/3.21 miles (AMU) 0 (CMPA)
Roads constructed or authorized	Actions/miles/acres	0 0	0 0	0 0
Roads decommissioned/obliterated	Actions/miles/acres	0 0	0 0	0 0
Roads closed/gated	Actions/miles	0 (AMU) 6 miles closed (CMPA)	0 (AMU) 1.3 (CMPA)	0 (AMU) 7.3 miles closed (CMPA)
Wind energy feasibility studies/ROWs	Actions/acres	0	1 action/ 17,514 (AMU) 0 (CMPA)	1 action/17,514 (AMU) 0 (CMPA)
Withdrawals completed	Actions/units	0	0	0
Withdrawals revoked	Actions/units	0	0	0
Minerals and Energy Resources				
Oil and Gas leases/storage agreements	Actions/units	0	0	0
Geothermal leases	Actions/units	0	0	0
Other mineral leases (specify type)	Actions/units	0	0	0
Locatable minerals	Mining plans approved/units	0	0	0
Locatable minerals	Patents issued/acres	0	0	0
Salable mineral materials	Sites opened/closed, acres	0	0	0
Salable material sites available, sites/acres	Sites/acres	12 sites/500 acres (AMU) 5 sites/465 acres (CMPA)	12 sites/500 acres (AMU) 5 sites/465 acres (CMPA)	12 sites/500 acres (AMU) 5 site/465 acres (CMPA)

RMP Resource Allocation or Management Practice or Activity	Activity Units	FY 2006 Accomplishments or Program Status	FY 2007 Accomplishments or Program Status	Cumulative Practices, since RMP approval*
Designated recreational rock-hounded or panning, sites/acres	Sites/acres	0	0	0
Abandoned Mine Lands (AML)	Sites remediate	0 (AMU) 3 (CMPA)	0	0 (AMU) 3 (CMPA)
Recreation and Off-Highway Vehicle Use Areas				
Developed camping	Sites/spaces available, sites/units	0 (AMU) 4 sites / 92 spaces	0 (AMU) 4 sites / 92 spaces	0 (AMU) 4 sites / 92 spaces
Developed day use	Sites available	0	0	0
Maintained off-highway-vehicle staging areas	Sites available	0	0	0
Maintained off-highway-vehicle trails or routes	Units/miles	0	0	0
Maintained hiking trails/equestrian trails or routes	Units/miles	0 (AMU) 2 miles (CMPA)	0 (AMU) 5 miles (CMPA)	0 (AMU) 7 miles (CMPA)
Maintained back-country discovery or scenic routes	Units/miles	0 (AMU) 56 miles (CMPA)	0 (AMU) 56 miles (CMPA)	0 (AMU) 56 miles (CMPA)
Interpretive sites or trails	Units/miles	0 (AMU) 5 miles (CMPA)	0 (AMU) 5 miles (CMPA)	0 (AMU) 5 miles (CMPA)
Cultural and Paleontological Resources				
Cultural resource inventories completed	Sites/acres	1 site/2 acres (AMU) 0 site/200 acres (CMPA)	0 (AMU) 0 site/100 acres (CMPA)	1 site/2 acres (AMU) 0 site/300 acres (CMPA)
Paleontological resource inventories completed	Sites/acres	0	0	0
Cultural/historic sites on Historic Register, sites managed	Sites managed	3 (AMU) 2 (CMPA)	2 (AMU) 3 (CMPA)	3 (AMU) 3 (CMPA)
Cultural/historic sites nominated to Historic Register	Sites or Districts nominated	0	0	0
Cultural/historic sites restored, recovered or stabilized	Sites	3 (AMU) 3 (CMPA)	2 (AMU) 3 (CMPA)	5 (AMU) 6 (CMPA)
Hazardous Materials and Sites				
Hazardous material sites identified, under treatment or remediation completed	Units	0	0	0
Rangeland and Woodland Resources				
Livestock grazing permits or leases	Total/renewed units/AUMs	0 (AMU) 0 (CMPA)	8 / 5803 AUMs (AMU) 4 / 4564 (CMPA)	8 / 5803 AUMs (AMU) 4 / 4564 AUMs (CMPA)
Livestock Animal Unit Months (AUM) banked or relinquished	Units/acres	0 (AMU) 0 (CMPA)	0 (AMU) 0 (CMPA)	0 (AMU) 0 (CMPA)
Livestock fences constructed	Units/miles	2 miles (AMU) 12 miles (CMPA)	0 miles (AMU) 5 miles (CMPA)	2 miles (AMU) 17 miles (CMPA)

RMP Resource Allocation or Management Practice or Activity	Activity Units	FY 2006 Accomplishments or Program Status	FY 2007 Accomplishments or Program Status	Cumulative Practices, since RMP approval*
Livestock fences removed	Units/miles	0 (AMU) 0 (CMPA)	0 (AMU) 0 (CMPA)	0 (AMU) 0 (CMPA)**
Water developments maintained (wells, springs, pipelines, etc.)	Units	3 (AMU) 12 (CMPA)	3 (AMU) 4 (CMPA)	6 (AMU) 16 (CMPA)
Wild horses and burros removed and adopted***	Number of head	0	Kiger HMA - 146 removed/56 adopted Riddle HMA - 58 removed/39 adopted	204 removed/95 adopted
Wild horse and burro herd composite populations(s)** AML = Appropriate Management Level L = Low H = High EP = Estimated Population	Authorized management level/estimated current population	Kiger AML - 51 (L) / 82 (H) / 155 (EP) Riddle AML - 33 (L) / 56 (H) / 64 (EP)	Kiger AML - 51 (L) / 82 (H) / 51 (EP) Riddle AML - 33 (L) / 56 (H) / 33 (EP)	Not applicable
Prescribed burning - wildlife habitat and forage management	Actions/acres			
Noxious weeds chemical control	Sites/acres	52.58 acres (AMU) 25.66 acres (CMPA)	90.17 acres (AMU) 1,350.48 acres (CMPA)	142.75 acres (AMU) 1376.14 acres (CMPA)
Noxious weeds, estimated biological control	Sites/acres	5 acres (AMU) 10 acres (CMPA)	10 acres (AMU) 20 acres (CMPA)	15 acres (AMU) 30 acres (CMPA)
Noxious weeds, by other control methods	Sites/acres	0	0	0
Invasive species control by mechanical (option to specify species in text section)	Sites/acres	0	0	0
Invasive species control by prescribed fire (option to specify species in text section)	Sites/acres	0	0 acres (AMU) ~1,500 acres - Canada, scotch and bull thistle (CMPA)	0 (AMU) ~1,500 acres (CMPA)
Brush field/hardwood conversion	Sites/acres	0	0	0
Woodland species restoration (option to specify species in text section)	Sites/acres	0	0	0
Forest Management and Forest Health				
Regeneration harvest or fire salvage	Acres	0	0	0
Commercial thinning/density management/uneven age harvest	Acres	0	0	0
Timber sale volume offered for sale	MM board feet/ MM cubic feet	0	0	0
Timber sale quantity harvested	MM board feet/ MM cubic feet	0	0	0

RMP Resource Allocation or Management Practice or Activity	Activity Units	FY 2006 Accomplishments or Program Status	FY 2007 Accomplishments or Program Status	Cumulative Practices, since RMP approval*
Special forest products sales, sales and quantities (e.g., boughs, fence-posts, corral poles, fuel wood)	Actions/units by type	0	0 (AMU) 1 fuel wood (CMPA)	0 (AMU) 1 (CMPA)
Site preparation - prescribed fire	Sites/acres	0 (AMU) 8 sites / ~1,500 acres (CMPA)	0 (AMU) 8 sites / 1,900 acres (CMPA)	0 (AMU) 16 sites / ~3,400 acres (CMPA)
Site preparation - other (specify)	Sites/acres	0	0	0
Prescribed burning - hazard reduction	Sites/acres	0 (AMU) 1 site / 2,000 acres (CMPA)	0 (AMU) 2 sites/ 3,000 acres (CMPA)	0 (AMU) 3 sites / 5,000 acres (CMPA)
Natural or artificial ignition prescribed fire for ecosystem enhancement	Sites/acres	0	0	0
Vegetation control - mechanical/hand	Sites/acres	0	0	0
Planting - regular stock, acres	Acres	0	0	0
Fertilization, acres	Acres	0	0	0
Special Management Areas				
Areas of Critical Environmental Concern (ACEC)/Research Natural Areas (RNA)	Areas monitored	4 (AMU) 2 (CMPA)	4 (AMU) 4 (CMPA)	7 (AMU) 6 (CMPA)
Significant Caves	Sites inventoried/evaluated/monitored	Not Present	Not Present	Not Present
Designated Wilderness areas	Areas monitored	0 (AMU) 1 (CMPA)	0 (AMU) 1 (CMPA)	0 (AMU) 1 (CMPA)
Wilderness Study Areas (WSA), areas monitored	Areas monitored	18 (AMU) 5 (CMPA)	18 (AMU) 5 (CMPA)	18 (AMU) 5 (CMPA)
Designated Wild and Scenic Rivers (WSR), areas monitored	Areas monitored	0 (AMU) 3 (CMPA)	0 (AMU) 3 (CMPA)	0 (AMU) 3 (CMPA)
Administratively suitable WSRs, areas monitored	Areas monitored	0	0	0
National Monuments (if any), areas monitored	Areas monitored	Not Present	Not Present	Not Present

*Implementation began in FY06

**Total does not include 14 miles of fence removed within the No Livestock Grazing Area within Steens Mountain Wilderness.

***Portions of Kiger and Riddle Mountain Herd Management Areas (HMA) fall outside the CMPA boundary and within Three Rivers RA. Numbers shown include horses gathered and adopted within the entire HMA.

TERRESTRIAL HABITAT AND SPECIES MANAGEMENT

See Special Areas Section for information regarding ACECs and RNAs.

Approximately 150 populations of wildlife, plants and fish; 66 water quality sites; 25 miles of stream; 800 acres of wetlands; and 3,000 acres of terrestrial habitat were monitored. Approximately half the population monitoring was accomplished through partnerships in FY04. Roughly 2,000 acres/year were inventoried (itemized listing) for wildlife during FY05, FY06, and FY07. Botanical surveys (assessments) estimated 20,000 acres per year.

Seeds from six target species assigned to Burns District BLM were collected for the Seeds of Success Program in 2004, 2005, and 2006. Seeds of Success is an interagency program coordinated through the Plant Conservation Alliance. This alliance supports and coordinates seed collection of native plant populations in the United States to increase the number of species and amount of native seed available for use in stabilizing, rehabilitating, and restoring lands in the United States. Seeds of Success also provides seed quality and germination information critical to development of new native plant materials through a partnership with Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew Millennium Seed Bank, and opportunities for Federal agencies to work with seed growers in local communities.

WILDLIFE/SPECIAL STATUS SPECIES

Sage-grouse lek surveys and census of wintering bald eagle populations have been conducted yearly in conjunction with the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) and Malheur National Forest, and will continue in the future.

Columbia spotted frogs were monitored at 25 sites in FY04 throughout the District.

In FY04, FY05, and FY06, western snowy plovers, a BLM sensitive species, were monitored as part of a 3-year project to determine abundance and nesting sites on the east side of Steens and Pueblo Mountains. A contractor visited occupied sites four to five times each summer. In FY06 monitoring continued at only nine sites as water availability changed the plovers' habitat use. The last comprehensive survey of this kind was completed in 1990; however, yearly surveys by ODFW in the interim provided some data.

During FY05, the BLM implemented approximately 7,600 acres of sagebrush community conservation and management activities including brush beating, seeding and planting sagebrush seedlings. Activities included the following:

- ✓ Treated 3,500 acres for wildlife habitat conservation through brush beating in the sagebrush community to release grass and forb understory, promote sagebrush recruitment in decadent stands, and disrupt fuel continuity;
- ✓ Fire rehabilitation on 1,500 acres consisted of aerial seeding of sagebrush and planting (~800) bare-root seedlings;
- ✓ Rangeland restoration occurred on 2,100 burned acres invaded by cheatgrass by seeding a perennial grass/forb mix through cooperative (labor) efforts with the permittee. These burned areas are within a large complex of existing sagebrush/sage-grouse habitat; and
- ✓ 500 acres of strategic fuel breaks were established along approximately 80 miles of road to protect existing sagebrush/sage-grouse habitat.

Another wildlife habitat enhancement treatment in FY05 included cutting juniper within a 3,600-acre treatment area to reduce predator perches and prepare for prescribed fire to release shrub, grass, and forbs understory.

A 2-year sage-grouse habitat improvement project involving brush beating sagebrush was conducted in 2005 and 2006. The project involved brush beating approximately 50 percent of large tracts of sagebrush plant communities in an effort to invigorate the sagebrush stand, diversify age classes, and increase forb production. Approximately 3,000 acres were treated during the 2-year period.

In FY05 inventory and monitoring of wildlife occurred including sage-grouse, goshawks, bald eagles, and pygmy

rabbits.

Sage-grouse habitat was surveyed and maintained in FY06 by cutting 1,000 acres of western juniper encroaching onto the Glass Butte sage-grouse lek. Through West Warm Springs Sagebrush Restoration Project, 1,700 acres were treated by brush beating and a monitoring program established.

Beginning in 2005 and continuing through 2007, mountain quail were transplanted in Three Rivers RA to supplement current populations and were also reintroduced into Andrews RA. Approximately 120 mountain quail have been released in Three Rivers RA and about 300 in the Steens Mountain Area. About half of all quail released had radio telemetry transmitters attached. This was a cooperative project involving the U.S. Forest Service (USFS), ODFW, Oregon State University (OSU), U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) - Malheur National Wildlife Refuge (NWR), and the BLM.

The ODFW released 21 California bighorn sheep on Pickett Rim just west of Frenchglen in 2006 in an effort to reestablish bighorn sheep into historic habitat in Burns District. About half of these sheep were fitted with radio collars so movements could be tracked. Thirty bighorns were to be released but inclement weather conditions in the John Day River Canyon kept the ODFW from capturing additional sheep. However, in FY07 an additional 12 sheep were released on Pickett Rim to finish the transplant started in 2006. These sheep were captured in Deschutes River Basin.

In FY06 installation of a wildlife guzzler complex occurred in Three Rivers RA in 2006 and another installed in 2007. These guzzler complexes provide a reliable water source for big game and other wildlife species where that habitat component is deficient during the summer and fall months of most years. These projects should improve wildlife distribution as well as help to stabilize or increase big game populations in the area.

Sage-grouse strutting grounds were monitored in FY06 and FY07 in cooperation with ODFW. Leks monitored were ones that have been monitored over the years as part of long-term trend monitoring conducted by ODFW.

Bald eagle winter roosts were monitored in FY06 and FY07 as part of the long-term Statewide monitoring effort to track population changes in bald eagles.

Other projects completed in FY06 and FY07 included wildlife habitat monitoring for inclusion into NEPA documents and allotment evaluations, maintaining wetland areas for waterfowl habitat, and installing escape ramps for birds and small mammals in existing water troughs.



Photo SSS-1. Strutting sage-grouse.

Western snowy plover monitoring continued at 12 sites in FY07 as part of a rangewide survey effort coordinated by US Geological Survey and the US-FWS. The survey took place during a one-week period with a new survey protocol. The Burns District hired the same contractors who completed the 2004-2006 monitoring effort.

Also in FY07, about 15 California bighorn sheep were released near Riverside to supplement the existing herd in the lower section of North Fork Malheur River Basin. These sheep were captured in Deschutes

River Basin and transported to the Riverside release site.

A test plot was established in FY07 for a new method of reestablishing sagebrush in wildfire areas such as Pueblo and Granddad Fires of 2006. Seed heads were cut from sagebrush plants in early December and laid in small piles in a grid design. The test plot will be monitored in 2008 to see if any seedlings establish. Eastern Oregon Agricultural Research Center (EOARC) will help with monitoring.

Conducted surveys and monitored for goshawks, bald eagles, pygmy rabbits and greater sage-grouse in FY07. Additionally, trapped and tagged greater sage-grouse to monitor seasonal movements and distribution; surveyed and maintained sage-grouse habitat by cutting 2,000 acres of western juniper encroaching into sage-grouse habitat; and treated 1,000 acres for West Warm Springs Wyoming Sagebrush Restoration Project (brush beating) including collection of inventory data for treated areas.

Two acres of western juniper treatments to reduce competition and to protect an aspen stand in the Stinkingwater area occurred in FY07.

RIPARIAN, FISH AND WATER QUALITY

Coordination with researchers from Virginia Tech for collection of aquatic macroinvertebrate data in FY04 occurred.

Burns District implemented Clean Water Action Plan Projects in FY04 including six riparian fencing projects, Kiger Gorge fence, road restoration, cottonwood planting on Bluebucket Creek and Poison Creek Reservoir, and aspen planting on Newell Creek to protect and restore streams, riparian areas, and watershed function.

Participation on Harney County Watershed Council continued in FY04. The BLM participated as a member of Malheur River Bull Trout Workgroup along with USFWS, ODFW, Burns Paiute Tribe, USFS, and Bureau of Reclamation. Activities included writing the Bull Trout Recovery Plan, providing input to the Proposed Designated Critical Habitat for Bull Trout Plan, and assisting with bull trout inventory and monitoring activities. The BLM also participated as a member of the Lahontan Cutthroat Trout Northern District Population Segment Workgroup implementing the Lahontan Cutthroat Trout Recovery Plan.

Alvord Lake Subbasin Water Quality Restoration Plan was completed in accordance with the USFS and BLM Protocol for Addressing Clean Water Act (CWA) Section 303(d) Listed Waters and Oregon Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) Water Quality Management Plan. The restoration plan was completed through cooperation and consultation with DEQ during FY04 and FY05. The BLM continues to inventory and monitor water quality and riparian habitat to support management and development of other Water Quality Restoration Plans.

Staff worked closely with USFWS to complete Lahontan cutthroat trout consultation for Alvord and Mann Lake grazing allotments and consultation on the AMU and CMPA RMPs.

In FY05 inventory and monitoring of fish occurred including Special Status Species (SSS) such as redband trout; completed inventory and monitoring on streams and associated riparian habitat throughout the District; and assessed methodologies consisting of photo monitoring, greenline monitoring, Proper Functioning Condition (PFC) Assessments, stream shade, and water temperature monitoring. In total, 58 stream miles were monitored.

Riparian management and restoration projects were implemented to facilitate maintenance and improvement of watershed health, stream stability and function, fish and wildlife habitat, and/or water quality in FY05. Projects included



Photo TS-1. Planting cottonwood seedlings along Newell Creek.

protection of aspen stands from wildlife and livestock to promote regeneration, planting riparian trees and shrubs (cottonwood and willow) along streams, and reconstruction of riparian pasture fences. Specific projects were:

- ✓ Newell Creek Riparian Woody Species Planting: Cottonwood trees were planted within an existing 1-acre enclosure and willows were planted along 1-mile of stream/riparian habitat. This project should increase riparian diversity and community structure supporting maintenance and improvement of water quality and watershed function (Photo TS-1).
- ✓ Trout Creek Water Gap Improvement: An existing water gap was improved by installing coarse rock to reduce livestock loitering and stabilize the water access area, thus reducing sediment and fecal input.

A variety of riparian restoration projects intended to improve stream stability and function, water quality, and fish and wildlife habitat were conducted in FY06 including:

- ✓ Denio Creek Riparian Restoration: Woody riparian vegetation cuttings were planted and protected along 2 miles of Denio Creek. Denio Creek provides habitat for Lahontan cutthroat trout, an Endangered Species Act (ESA) Threatened Species. Denio Creek is also listed on the CWA 303(d) list as water quality impaired for stream temperature. The addition of woody riparian shrubs/trees will contribute to additional stream shading and thermal buffering.
- ✓ Burns District planted 150 dormant cottonwood cuttings at four locations along Malheur River. Establishment of cottonwood trees along Malheur River will contribute to improved fish and wildlife habitat, water quality and aesthetic/recreation values. Malheur River provides habitat for redband trout, a BLM SSS, and a variety of wildlife. Malheur River is recognized on the CWA 303(d) list as water quality impaired for stream temperature. The addition of cottonwood trees will contribute to additional stream shading (Photos TS-2 and TS-3).



Photo TS-2. Planting site on Malheur River.



Photo TS-3. Example of 1st year growth. This was an exceptional example at approximately 6.5 feet.

- ✓ Moon Hill Road Realignment: This project moved approximately 0.5-mile of Moon Hill Road outside of a riparian/meadow area and stabilized two stream crossings. This project will allow expansion of riparian/meadow vegetation and reduce erosion, thus improving watershed condition and wildlife habitat.
- ✓ Stinkingwater Creek Fence: Approximately 1/3 mile of fenceline was constructed to eliminate an existing 0.5-mile water gap along Stinkingwater Creek. Fence construction will control timing and duration of livestock access by incorporating it with the adjacent riparian pasture where livestock management is providing for maintenance and recovery of riparian vegetation, fish and wildlife habitat and water quality. This action was identified to meet Standards for Rangeland Health and Guidelines for Livestock Grazing Management (Standards and Guidelines) for the associated grazing allotment.

- ✓ Poison Creek Reservoir Dam Maintenance/Reconstruction: Implemented maintenance and reconstruction of Poison Creek Reservoir Dam to meet dam safety specifications and prevent structural failure:
 - Emergency Spillway: Prevent excessive erosion and head cutting through installation of compacted riprap interceptors.
 - Dam: Improve dam stability through addition of fill on downstream face and installation of compacted riprap at downstream dam toe-slope.

- ✓ Squaw Creek Aspen: Burns District conducted conifer thinning (pine and juniper) encompassing several decadent aspen stands under the Forestry Program. Removal of competitive vegetation will allow for regeneration and expansion of aspen stands as well as herbaceous vegetation (grasses, rushes and sedges). The objective of this project was to protect aspen regeneration from wildlife and livestock in four aspen stands, approximately 1-acre each.
- ✓ Bluebucket Creek Pasture Fence Augmentation: Burns District constructed 0.25-mile of fence as augmentation to the Bluebucket Creek Pasture boundary. The original pasture boundary fence was constructed to facilitate riparian-specific grazing management along Bluebucket Creek to improve riparian and stream habitat conditions. However, a portion of the pasture boundary relying on topography was found to be an insufficient barrier. This project will prevent unauthorized livestock use along a 3-mile reach of Bluebucket Creek and allow for continued improvement of riparian and stream habitat conditions.

Inventory and monitoring on streams and associated riparian habitat throughout the District continued in FY06 and FY07. Assessment methodologies consisted of photo monitoring, greenline monitoring, PFC Assessments, stream shade, and water temperature monitoring.

A variety of riparian restoration projects intended to improve stream stability and function, water quality and fish and wildlife habitat were conducted in FY07. These included:

- ✓ Borax Lake Protection: This effort involved continuation of cooperative population monitoring of Federally endangered Borax Lake chub (*Gila boraxobius*) among BLM, ODFW and USFWS. During September 2007 BLM and ODFW along with volunteers set 100 baited minnow traps throughout Borax Lake overnight. The following day traps were collected and fish processed [counted, measured (subsample), marked (caudal fin clip) and released]. Approximately 700 fish were sampled. Traps were reset the following evening and retrieved the next day to count marked and unmarked sampled fish (mark-recapture population sampling) (Photo TS-4). The ODFW calculated the Borax Lake chub population estimates and provided BLM a progress report. This information contributes to evaluating potential for down-listing or delisting the species pursuant to ESA.
- ✓ Ten populations of redband trout were monitored in coordination and cooperation with the ODFW. This effort included electrofishing for abundance estimates within Donner und Blitzen and Upper Malheur River subbasins and redband trout trapping/radio tagging (telemetry) for a life history study being conducted by ODFW and OSU.
- ✓ Twin Springs Reservoir/Coleman Creek Riparian Pasture Access Road Improvement: This project consisted of replacing gates with cattleguards to prevent further livestock trespass and subsequent stream/riparian degradation on Coleman Creek. The access road receives considerable travel for recreational use. Coleman Creek provides habitat for redband trout. Although the prescribed livestock management in Coleman Creek Riparian Pasture promotes maintenance and restoration of Coleman Creek, livestock

consistently access Coleman Creek outside authorized dates resulting in habitat degradation. This unauthorized access was due to gates being left open. Installation of cattleguards will eliminate livestock trespass and promote improvement of redband trout habitat in Coleman Creek.



Photo TS-4. Processing sampled Borax Lake chub.

- ✓ Silver Creek Riparian Fence: Lower Silver Creek Riparian Fence project consisted of constructing approximately 1.5 miles of fence just west of the rim over Lower Silver Creek Pasture in Dry Lake Allotment. Fence was needed to replace existing gap fences not functioning properly. Previously, livestock drifted from Native Pasture and congregated in the riparian area during the summer. In 2006 an analysis of Standards and Guidelines determined riparian and water quality standards were not being achieved with livestock as a causal factor.

- ✓ The temperature exceeded the 68 °F standard set by DEQ for salmonid bearing streams in all years data were collected. It is listed on the DEQ 303(d) list for high water temperature. This project initiates moving toward achieving the Standards not met. A downward trend in riparian condition threatens habitat for SSS redband trout and Malheur mottled sculpin. The grazing permit holder provided labor for fence construction.
- ✓ Willow Creek Road Reroute: Willow Creek Road Reroute involved closing and rehabilitating approximately 0.5-mile of Willow Creek Road, including one stream crossing (ford). The road was mechanically ripped and boulders strategically scattered to mask presence of the road and prevent future travel. A new “way” (nonconstructed vehicle route) was delineated and established (by passage of vehicles only) north of Willow Creek away from the channel to allow access to a private land inholding. Relocation of Willow Creek Road and abandonment of the stream crossing eliminates need for road maintenance/ stream channel disturbance and promotes natural riparian vegetation recovery associated with Lahontan cutthroat trout habitat, a threatened species pursuant to the ESA.
- ✓ Sulis Reservoir: The project consisted of constructing a reservoir in an ephemeral drainage that runs into Warm Springs Creek. Capture and storage of winter/spring runoff in this ephemeral drainage replaces livestock use along an intermittent reach of Warm Springs Creek. By constructing Sulis Reservoir, Warm Springs Creek would not need to be used by livestock. Therefore, this 0.6-mile stretch of creek will be fenced and excluded from livestock use. Warm Springs Creek provides habitat for Great Basin redband trout, a species recognized by the BLM, ODFW and Oregon Natural Heritage Program as an SSS. This project facilitates distribution of livestock in the upland environment and promotes restoration of riparian habitat as well as improves water quality along Warm Springs Creek. In turn, this project will initiate moving toward meeting allotment resource objectives and those objectives set forth in the Standards and Guidelines. Riparian and Water Quality standards are currently not being met for Warm Springs Creek due to livestock.
- ✓ Upper Malheur and Guano Subbasin Water Quality Restoration Plans: These plans were completed in accordance with the USFS and BLM Protocol for Addressing CWA Section 303(d) Listed Waters and the DEQ Water Quality Management Plan. The restoration plans were completed through cooperation and consultation with DEQ during FY07. The BLM continues to inventory and monitor water quality and riparian habitat to support management and development of other Water Quality Restoration Plans.

PLANNED WORK FOR FY08

- ✓ Continue to monitor sage-grouse, bald eagles, northern goshawks, and other migratory and resident bird species.
- ✓ Maintain five guzzlers affected by 2007 wildfires and possibly add additional storage tanks and capacity to two existing guzzlers in the Dry Mountain Area.
- ✓ Replace two existing guzzlers along Pickett Rim for improved water quality and increased capacity in support of bighorn sheep transplanted during 2006-07 in this area.
- ✓ Transplant approximately 100 mountain quail on Trout Creek Mountains which will be the first of three through 2010.
- ✓ Plant sagebrush in the 2006 Granddad and Pueblo wildfire areas to reestablish sagebrush in sage-grouse habitat. The EOARC will help with monitoring of these areas to document seedling establishment.
- ✓ Sage-grouse radio telemetry project in Pueblo wildfire area to determine use patterns throughout the year will occur.

NOXIOUS WEED PROGRAM

During FY04 through FY07 the District Integrated Weed Management program actively participated in the ongoing Harney County Weed Management Area Partnership (Partnership). The Partnership focuses and coordinates management of noxious weeds throughout the area with agencies/entities including Harney County Weed Control, Oregon Department of Agriculture (ODA), BLM, USFS, Malheur NWR, EOARC, Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT), the cities of Burns and Hines, Burns Paiute Tribe, Soil and Water Conservation District, ODFW, and OSU Extension Office. Activities conducted include education/awareness trainings for agency staff and the public, both formal and informal; coordinated inventory and monitoring; coordinated control efforts including cost-share opportunities; and coordinated research and demonstration projects and plots. The Partnership has proven to be a very effective way to conduct weed management in our area and subsequently evolved into a formal Cooperative Weed Management Area as of December 2004.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PARTNERSHIP IN FY04 INCLUDE:

EDUCATION/AWARENESS EVENTS

- Weed Awareness Tour (Medusahead)
- Drewsey Weed Awareness Shindig
- South-end Weed Awareness Shindig
- Crane Weed Awareness Shindig
- Spring Fling
- Agency Training (including ODOT)
- Oregon Hunter's Association (OHA) presentation
- Weed Corner Articles
- Weed Awareness Kiosks
- Southeast Oregon Resource Advisory Council (SEORAC) presentation
- Oregon Natural Desert Association (ONDA) Presentation
- Harney County Fair Display

COOPERATIVE CONTROL PROJECTS

- Operation Purple Haze (purple loosestrife control on Stinkingwater Creek)
- Whitetop Whiteout (whitetop control in Drewsey)
- Malheur Watershed Weed Blitz (weed treatments in the Upper Malheur Subbasin)
- Diamond Mow-down (Pepperweed treatments in the Diamond Area)
- Riley/Double O (weed treatments in the Riley/Double O area)
- Steens Wilderness Survey (horseback weed survey in Steens Mountain Wilderness)
- Front Range Survey/Treatment (Dalmatian toadflax treatments in the Front Range)
- Medusahead Challenge (Symposium to cooperatively address medusahead issues)
- Medusahead Control and Calibration Workshops (Fall treatments in Drewsey including calibration workshops for private landowners)
- Material Sites Treatment (Countywide)

BIOCONTROL PROJECTS

- Diffuse Knapweed (Mosquito Creek)
- Dalmatian Toadflax (Front Range)
- Canada Thistle
- Purple Loosestrife
- Poison Hemlock

RESEARCH PROJECTS

- Dalmatian Toadflax Control - Follow-up
- Medusahead Projects
- Russian Knapweed
- Perennial Pepperweed

In addition, the following weed program activities occurred on the Burns District in FY04:

- ✓ 23,000 acres inventoried, including extensive inventories of previous year's wildfires.
- ✓ Applied manual and chemical control treatments to 450 acres benefiting 4 miles of riparian habitat and an area of 615 acres of wetland habitat.
- ✓ 5,000 acres of weed sites/treatments were monitored.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PARTNERSHIP IN FY05 INCLUDE:

WEED EDUCATION/AWARENESS EVENTS/PRESENTATIONS:

- Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation (RMEF) Annual Meeting
- Pesticide Recertification Training
- Migratory Bird Festival
- Road Department Training (including ODOT)
- Double O Organizational/Education Shindig
- Silvies Organizational Meeting II
- South-end Organizational/Education Shindig
- Riley Organizational/Education Shindig
- Spring Fling
- OHA Banquet
- Silvies Organizational/Education Shindig
- Agency Training
- Community Weed Awareness Day
- Weed Awareness Tour (Russian Knapweed)
- Harney County Fair
- Weed Corner Articles
- Weed Awareness Kiosks

COOPERATIVE TREATMENT PROJECTS:

(continuing)

- Whitetop Whiteout II
- Front Range Survey and Treatment
- Operation Purple Haze II
- Medusahead Challenge (ongoing)
- Medusahead Control Projects
- Material Sites Treatment

(new)

- Double O/Riley Watershed Weed Treatments
- Silvies River I Watershed Weed Treatments
- Alvord (South End) Watershed Weed Treatments

BIOCONTROL PROJECTS:

- Diffuse Knapweed (East Steens) – new releases on private land (treatments)
- Dalmation Toadflax (Front Range) – new releases on private land (treatments and monitoring)

RESEARCH PROJECTS:

- Medusahead Projects – ongoing
- Russian Knapweed Projects – ongoing and new

In addition, the following weed program activities occurred on the Burns District in FY05:

- ✓ 41,000 acres inventoried, including extensive inventories of previous year's wildfires.
- ✓ Treated 680 acres including 60 acres using manual controls. No new biocontrol releases occurred on BLM lands this year. These treatments benefited 4 miles of riparian habitat and an area of 615 acres of wetland habitat.
- ✓ 8,350 acres of weed sites/treatments were monitored.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PARTNERSHIP IN FY06 INCLUDE:

WEED EDUCATION/AWARENESS EVENTS/PRESENTATIONS:

- Pesticide Recertification Training
- Migratory Bird Festival
- Spring Fling
- OHA Newsletter Insert
- Burns-Hines Councils
- Drewsey Whitetop Education/Organizational Shindig
- Silvies Organizational/Education Shindig
- Weed Awareness Tour (Toadflax)
- Double O/Riley Organizational/Education Shindig
- Agency Weed Training
- Harney County Fair
- Weed Corner articles
- Weed Awareness kiosk

COOPERATIVE PROJECTS:

- Strategic Weed Attack Team (SWAT)
- Whitetop Whiteout III (Drewsey WT)
- Front Range Survey and Treatment
- Operation Purple Haze III
- Steens Wilderness Survey, Wildhorse
- Kiger Survey
- Medusahead Challenge (ongoing)
- Medusahead Control Projects
- Material Sites Treatment
- Double O/Riley Follow-Up
- Silvies River Phase II
- South End Perennial Pepperweed II
- South-End Russian-Medusahead
- South Fork Malheur Perennial Pepperweed #1
- Diamond Mow-Down IV

BIOCONTROL PROJECTS:

- Dalmation Toadflax (Front Range)
- Canada Thistle (Monitor)
- Purple Loosestrife (Lamb Ranch)

RESEARCH PROJECTS:

- Medusahead Projects – various; ongoing
- Russian Knapweed Projects – ongoing and new

In addition, the following weed program activities occurred on the Burns District in FY06:

- ✓ 25,300 acres were inventoried, including extensive inventories of previous year's wildfires.
- ✓ Applied chemical treatments to 488 acres, manual controls to 25 acres, nonclassical biological controls to 225 acres, and 3 new biocontrol releases occurred on BLM lands this year. These treatments benefited 4 miles of riparian habitat and an area of 615 acres of wetland habitat.
- ✓ 9,010 acres of weed sites/treatments were monitored.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PARTNERSHIP IN FY07 INCLUDE:

WEED EDUCATION/AWARENESS EVENTS/PRESENTATIONS:

- Burns City Council
- Pesticide Recertification Training
- BLM Staff Training
- Hines City Council
- OHA Newsletter insert
- Migratory Bird Festival
- Spring Fling
- Citywide Weed Removal
- Harney County Fair
- Weed Corner articles
- Weed Awareness Kiosk

COOPERATIVE PROJECTS:

- Pass Creek Thistle Obliteration
- Whitetop Whiteout (Drewsey WT)
- Burns-Hines Weed Clean-up
- Front Range Survey and Treatment
- Medusahead Plot Work
- Operation Purple Haze IV
- Steens Wilderness Survey II - Wildhorse
- Medusahead Control Projects
- Material Sites Treatment
- Double O/Riley Follow Up
- Silves River Phase III
- South Fork Malheur Perennial Pepperweed #2

BIO-CONTROL PROJECTS:

- Dalmation Toadflax (Front Range) - monitor and new releases
- Canada Thistle - monitor

RESEARCH PROJECTS:

- Medusahead Projects – ongoing
- Russian knapweed Projects – ongoing and new

In addition, the following weed program activities occurred on the Burns District in FY07:

- ✓ 37,500 acres inventoried, including extensive inventories of previous year's wildfires.
- ✓ Applied herbicide treatments to 476 acres, manual controls to 25 acres, and nonclassical biological controls to 225 acres plus new biocontrol releases occurred on BLM lands this year. Additionally, an aerial treatment project in Ruby Springs Allotment treated 1,320 acres of Canada, Scotch, and bull thistles over a 5-day period in July under contract. These treatments benefited 10 miles of riparian habitat and an area of 500 acres of wetland habitat.
- ✓ 49,626 acres of weed sites/treatments were monitored



Photo NW-1. Aerial weed treatment in Ruby Springs Allotment.

PLANNED WORK FOR FY08

Weed management plans for FY08 include as many Partnership activities as possible and continuation of programs for treatment, inventory, and monitoring on BLM lands.

PROJECTED ACREAGES INCLUDE:

- 2,500 acres of inventory
- 650 acres of treatment
- 2,500 acres of monitoring

SPECIAL AREAS

STEENS MOUNTAIN COOPERATIVE MANAGEMENT AND PROTECTION AREA

The Steens Mountain Advisory Council (SMAC) established by the Steens Mountain Cooperative Management and Protection Act (Steens Act) met 18 times throughout a 4-year period (FY04-07). Major topics of interest ranged from the CMPA RMP to the Steens Mountain Travel Management Plan (TMP) to the Steens Mountain Inholder Access Environmental Assessment (EA). All totaled the SMAC made 46 official recommendations to the BLM. Of those 46 recommendations, 30 were taken and acted upon in whole, 3 partially taken, and the remaining 13 were administrative in nature or were addressed by existing policy and direction.

Future topics identified for SMAC involvement for FY08 and beyond include Steens Mountain Comprehensive Recreation Management Plan, Science Strategy, and South Steens Water Development EA. The SMAC has become a valuable asset to the BLM in its recommendation making processes to care for and manage the land for future generations.

Land Use Planning: On October 3, 2003, the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Notice of Availability of the Draft AMU/CMPA RMP/Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) was published in the Federal Register initiating a 90-day comment period. News releases were sent to the media; 307 hard copies of the Draft RMP/EIS and 80 compact discs were sent to individuals, agencies, and organizations; and a newsletter was distributed to about 538 names on the mailing list announcing availability of the Draft RMP/DEIS as well as announcing the public comment period and meeting dates. The Draft RMP/DEIS was also made available on the Burns Web site. During

the 90-day public comment period, four public meetings were held in the following cities on the dates listed with number of attendees as stated below.

Portland, Oregon	October 27, 2003	49 attended
Bend, Oregon	October 28, 2003	38 attended
Burns, Oregon	October 29, 2003	6 attended
Frenchglen, Oregon	October 30, 2003	10 attended

The BLM received approximately 5,563 public comment letters, a majority of which were form letter communications. Approximately 923 letters were individualized and 84 contained substantive comments which were addressed in the Proposed RMP/Final EIS (PRMP/FEIS). Comments made during the Southeast Oregon RMP process specific to the Andrews RA were also considered. The BLM involved the SEORAC, the SMAC, and cooperating agencies throughout the process.

The PRMP/FEIS was released August 13, 2004, which initiated a 30-day protest period. Six protests were received. Following resolution of protests, the AMU RMP and Record of Decision (ROD) and the CMPA RMP/ROD were made available on August 26, 2005. The availability of the RMPs/RODs began a 30-day appeal period on all implementation-level decisions. The Steens Mountain Wilderness and WSRs Plan was also made available with a 30-day appeal period. No appeals were received.

In February 2006, ONDA filed a lawsuit against the BLM regarding four broad categories of the RMPs/RODs. The ONDA alleged BLM did not adequately consider effects of the RMPs on wilderness resources; the BLM violated the NEPA by failing to consider an adequate range of alternatives for grazing and lands closed to Off-Highway Vehicle (OHV) use; the BLM failed to adequately consider grazing allocations; and the Transportation Plan (TP) and route designations in the CMPA RMP fail to meet the explicit requirements of the Steens Act.

On June 8, 2007, District Court Judge Ann Aiken issued an Opinion and Order ruling in favor of the BLM on three of four broad allegations. Judge Aiken favored ONDA's claim regarding the TP.

Travel Management Plan: The Steens Act directed the BLM to develop a TP for the CMPA which was made part of the CMPA RMP and identified maintenance levels for roads, defined route management categories, and prescribed other specific transportation management actions. The TP also called for an intensive inventory of the motorized route system within the CMPA so a TMP designating level of use for routes could be developed. In FY05 the Steens Mountain TMP was initiated.

The Harney County Court agreed to participate in this inventory completion process as a cooperating agency with BLM. Both entities ensured all stakeholders had the opportunity to identify roads and routes not currently in BLM or County inventories. Input was used to complete a final map of the planning area from which options for management of roads were considered. A proposed decision (for grazing-related implementation actions) and decision were issued on May 31, 2007, but were later rescinded due to Judge Aiken's ruling. A new Proposed Decision on grazing-related implementation actions was released August 2007. A Final Decision was issued November 28, 2007, which was timely appealed by five parties. The Interior Board of Land Appeals (IBLA) did not issue a stay on many of the decisions in the TMP; however, a stay was issued on the mapping of obscure routes. Final decision on all appealed elements is pending, and may take up to 3 years for resolution.

RMP Implementation Plans: The CMPA implementation planning process began immediately following release of the CMPA RMP. The implementation planning process as described by the National BLM office consists of four steps: outlining the work to implement the RMP, identifying priority projects for the next 3 to 5 years, identifying the tasks required to complete projects and estimate budget needs, and developing a communications strategy. The purpose of an implementation plan is to provide a user-friendly version of the RMP with clear links to the BLM's management system, provide a framework for tracking and evaluating plan implementation, foster a shared understanding of RMP commitments and out-year priorities, facilitate communication and engage the public in implementing the RMP, provide valuable information to State Office and/or program leads about out-year priorities, and demonstrate budget performance integration. At this point Burns District has completed steps 1-3 of the Implementation Plan, and uses a modified version to track funded activities.

The Nationally-directed Implementation Plan format did not meet the needs of managers and staff in Burns District, nor did it appear particularly relevant to the SMAC. As such, the fourth step in the process (developing a communications strategy) did not occur. However, the BLM worked with the SMAC throughout the CMPA RMP process to ensure participation from the public and the SMAC continues to receive a presentation on CMPA RMP and project planning and implementation on an annual basis at the January meeting. As this is a public meeting, it serves as public notice as to the progress of implementing the CMPA RMP. This information is also available on request to other interest groups. The AMU Implementation Plan (at least to the extent it requires public review) will commence following completion of the CMPA RMP Implementation Plan (pending any additional direction from the National Landscape Conservation Service office) with discussion with the SEORAC.

STEENS MOUNTAIN WILDERNESS AND WILD AND SCENIC RIVERS

Steens Mountain Wilderness and Wild and Scenic Rivers Plan: After intensive baseline monitoring following designation in 2000, the Steens Mountain Wilderness and WSRs Plan was released in 2004 initiating a 30-day comment period. Three comment letters on the Plan were received. This management plan is designed to set guidelines for on-the-ground management and for future project planning efforts for the CMPA. The final plan was released in August 2005.

General Management and Monitoring (FY04–FY07): Visitor use (campsites and trails) in wilderness and WSR corridors was conducted each year to ensure use does not impair these designated areas. Baseline monitoring data were collected for campsites and trails most of which fall within Steens Mountain Wilderness and WSRs. Monitoring associated with administering the winter recreation program also continued. Closed routes and cherry-stemmed roads were monitored to help identify areas where vehicle intrusions may be occurring and signing of closed areas was completed where needed. Trail and road counters were utilized to help estimate visitor use.

In FY05 trailhead registration boxes and visitor information boards were installed to improve visitor information and to gather general information on wilderness use. Law enforcement efforts to detect wilderness violations were enhanced in FY05 through cooperation with the Oregon State Police Wildlife Enforcement Officer. In FY07, two small information boards were added to roads along the east face of Steens Mountain near the wilderness to help improve visitor information on routes open and closed to motorized vehicle use.

Additional monitoring related to fish, wildlife and vegetation resources within Steens Mountain Wilderness and WSRs also continued. Key areas of noxious weed infestations were identified and treated each year. Please refer to the Terrestrial Habitat and Species Management and Noxious Weed Sections of this Update for additional information.

Trail Maintenance (FY04-07): Trail maintenance has been very limited due to lack of funding. In FY04, volunteers assisted with conversion of approximately 1.5 miles of trail from a two-track road into a single-track trail along Big Indian Trail. In addition, several volunteer groups such as American Hiking Society, Oregon Youth Conservation Corps and Back Country Horsemen of America, and other individuals have assisted with over 5 miles of trail maintenance on Blitzen River, Nye, Little Blitzen and Big Indian trails, most of which occurred in FY07.



Photo SA-1. Little Blitzen Gorge

No Livestock Grazing Area (FY04-07): The No Livestock Grazing Area was partially implemented in FY04 following completion of most projects for implementation of the Steens Act and the No Livestock Grazing Area, except for Kiger Gorge which was implemented in FY05. Approximately 75 miles of boundary fence were monitored and maintained each year to ensure livestock remained outside the No Livestock Grazing Area. Monitoring indicated livestock were accessing Donner and Blitzen WSR, and in response, the BLM amended the Projects for Implementation of the Steens Act EA in FY06 to construct 2.5 miles of fence between Tabor Cabin and just south of Bradeen Crossing. A fence construction contract was awarded in FY07.

Restoration Projects (FY04-FY07): The removal of unneeded fence within the No Livestock Grazing Area continues and to date over 33 miles of fence have been dismantled with approximately 20-30 miles of fence remaining for removal. Funding for this project has been limited and volunteer groups like ONDA, Sierra Club, Wilderness Volunteers, and Trout Unlimited have been instrumental in completing this work.

Other Wilderness Projects (FY04-FY07): A decision on the Ankle Creek Inholder Access EA (OR-027-02-011) was completed in FY04 and was appealed to IBLA. In FY07, IBLA affirmed BLM's decision to provide a reasonable amount of motorized access along Ankle Creek Route to affected inholdings while minimizing impacts to Steens Mountain Wilderness.

WILDERNESS STUDY AREAS

Monitoring and sign maintenance of WSA boundaries and routes are ongoing. An EA for the maintenance of range, wildlife and wild horse improvements in WSAs was completed in 2005. Please refer to Wildfire and Fuels Management and Special Areas (Steens Mountain CMPA) Sections for additional project information regarding North Steens Ecosystem Restoration Project and TMP, respectively.

An EA (South Steens Water Development Project EA OR-06-027-060) to analyze development of additional water sources in South Steens Allotment (primarily Blitzen River and South Fork Donner und Blitzen WSAs) to provide reliable, late-season water for livestock, wildlife, and wild horses commenced with scoping in December 2006. A tour of the area was provided to the SMAC and public in August 2007. The SMAC will continue to be involved in development of the EA throughout the process.



Photo SA-2. Alvord Basin in winter

AREAS OF CRITICAL ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERN/RESOURCE NATURAL AREAS

The table below presents information on ACECs and RNAs monitored by FY. All ACECs and RNAs were monitored to assess the condition for which they were established. In addition, South Narrows ACEC in Three Rivers RA was monitored in FY04-FY07 for presence of Malheur wirelettuce (*Stephanomeria malheurensis*), a Federal endangered plant species.

Name of ACEC/RNA	Year Monitored				Resource Area
	FY04	FY05	FY06	FY07	
Long Draw RNA	X			X	Andrews
Pueblo Foothills RNA	X	X	X	X	Andrews
Little Wildhorse Lake RNA	X	X		X	Andrews
South Fork Willow Creek RNA	X		X		Andrews
East Kiger Plateau RNA	X				Andrews
Fir Groves ACEC	X	X		X	Andrews
Silver Creek RNA		X	X	X	Three Rivers
South Narrows ACEC	X	X	X	X	Three Rivers
Mickey Basin RNA		X		X	Andrews
Rooster Comb RNA		X		X	Andrews
Little Blitzen RNA		X		X	Andrews
Alvord Desert ACEC		X		X	Andrews
Dry Mountain RNA		X	X		Three Rivers
Foster Flat		X	X		Three Rivers
Tum Tum Lake RNA			X		Andrews
Serrano Point RNA			X		Andrews
East Fork Trout Creek RNA			X		Andrews
Big Alvord Creek RNA			X		Andrews

In FY07 a combined effort with the USFWS, ODA, Native Plant Society, BLM and other interested parties attempted to reestablish Malheur wirelettuce in South Narrows ACEC and a sand dune site 15 miles to the west. Both sites are in Three Rivers RA. Wirelettuce is an endangered plant species and has disappeared from its original critical habitat in the ACEC probably due to drought and competition from exotic annual plant species. Seed had been collected in the past when plants numbered about 2,000 individuals and stored at Berry Botanic Garden in Portland, Oregon. Seed had also been propagated at Vanderbilt University in Nashville, Tennessee. Seed from both sites was obtained and germinated in a greenhouse and planted at the ACEC and dunes sites in early May. The plants numbered about 430 individuals at each site and were watered weekly for the first month. Results showed about a 10 percent survival rate with close to 80 plants maturing and producing seed. Seed from those plants was allowed to drop and monitoring will continue in FY08 on the germination of the seed produced in FY07.

PLANNED WORK FOR FY08:

The TMP will be implemented.

Wilderness Monitoring programs will continue and a database will be developed to help analyze campsite monitoring data. Ongoing work such as signing, trail maintenance and fence removal will continue. The fence removal program and trail maintenance will continue with the help of volunteer groups.

The 2.5-mile fence between Tabor Cabin and just south of Bradeen Crossing will be constructed to help secure the No Livestock Grazing Area. The BLM will continue to monitor and maintain fences surrounding this area.

Work will begin on a Special Recreation Permit (SRP) Outfitter and Guides Commercial Use Needs Assessment for Steens Mountain Wilderness. This needs assessment will provide a framework for evaluating outfitter and guide commercial use permit requests in Steens Mountain Wilderness.

WSAs: Ongoing monitoring and signing will continue. New bulletin boards, signing and other visitor information are being considered in areas like Alvord Playa where management of motorized vehicle use related to WSA boundaries is complex.

An EA for South Steens Water Development Project is expected to be released to the public late FY08 and a 30-day comment period will be provided.

ACECs:

In FY08, the USFWS, ODA, Native Plant Society, BLM and other interested parties plan to plant more Malheur wirelettuce seedlings in South Narrows ACEC and a dunes site 15 miles to the west. Results of this effort will hopefully be the reestablishment of wirelettuce, an endangered species, at both sites. Number of plants to be established will be determined early in FY08 and will be dependent on funding priorities.

CULTURAL RESOURCES PROGRAMS

NATIONAL REGISTER SITES MANAGED

Mortar Riddle Site: Two National Register sites were managed in 2004. The Mortar Riddle Site, a 1,500-year-old prehistoric summer village on Steens Mountain, was the scene of a month-long scientific excavation partnership between BLM, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee (UWM), and the Oregon Archaeological Society (OAS). House floors, fire pits, grinding stones and artifacts such as spear and arrow points, knives, scrapers, bone and tooth beads and a U.S. Army button were uncovered in the 2004 field work (Photos CR-1, CR-2, CR-3 and CR-4). The end products of this project are a master's thesis, Ph.D. dissertation, a number of journal and popular articles, and interpretive posters.



Photo CR-1. OAS volunteers screening for artifacts



Photo CR-2. Archaeological feature with a stone mortar in left foreground

During FY05 UWM graduate student Emily Mueller, with help of BLM staff and OAS volunteers, completed the second year of full-scale excavation at the Mortar Riddle Site on Steens Mountain. Analysis of the materials from the site indicated it was occupied between 550-1,400 years ago and was probably a summer camp where small (rabbits, ground squirrels, marmots, and trout) and large (deer and elk) game were butchered and eaten. Additional data on the types of charcoal found in hearths at the site show a wide range of soft and hard wood species were being burned in the hearths. Obsidian sourcing studies showed obsidian artifacts from as far away as 100 miles were discarded at the site. Of particular note were the recovery of additional bone, shell and stone beads and pendants in 2005. These analyses were reported in both local and regional presentations to various historical and archaeological societies.



Emily Mueller and Ethan Epstein, both Ph.D. candidates at UWM, returned to the Mortar Riddle Site on Steens Mountain in 2006 and 2007 to complete their major excavation. They finished their master's thesis on the Mortar Riddle Site in spring 2007 and both have been accepted into the Ph.D. program. Their Ph.D. dissertations will be an extension of the master's

Photo CR-3. OAS volunteer measuring an artifact location

Photo CR-4. Bone gaming piece



work at the site and will give Burns BLM extensive data and synthesis of prehistoric use of Steens Mountain in the last 1,500 years.

Ed Broughton, graduate student at UWM joined the Mortar Riddle team in 2007 and will work on the numerous grinding stones found at the site for his master's thesis. It is expected to be completed by January 2009.

All excavation work was covered by a 2004 EA.

Riddle Brothers National Historic District: Additional site management activities occurred at Riddle Brothers Ranch National Historic District on Steens Mountain in 2005. Riddle Brothers Ranch National Historic District received upgraded sanitary facilities in summer 2005 when a RomTec self-contained toilet was installed at the headquarters of the ranch (Photo CR-5). The RomTec unit replaced two pit toilets. These pit toilets were either removed or made inoperable and are no longer a potential ground water pollutant source.



Photo CR-5. Completed RomTec Toilet at Riddle Brothers Ranch.

SITE RESTORATION, STABILIZATION, AND PROTECTION

Riddle Brothers Ranch Willow Corral: The willow corral at Riddle Brothers Ranch National Historic District was stabilized with the help of wilderness volunteers in September 2004. The 80+ year-old corral had fallen over and was in danger of complete disintegration. Volunteers were able to pull sections of the fence upright and support them with recycled ("vintage") steel fenceposts and smooth wire (Photo CR-6).



Photo CR-6. Wilderness volunteers re-erecting willow corral at Riddle Brothers Ranch

Volunteer caretakers kept a watchful eye on the historic district and regularly completed fire prevention and cleaning tasks in and around the Frederick Riddle ranch headquarters building complex. They also offered interpretive information and tours to visitors. Site management activity also occurred in 2005, 2006, and 2007.

Protection Fences: Protective measures for 2005

included an active monitoring program and installation of a 0.9-mile protective fence at Lost Dune Site in Three Rivers RA. Lost Dune Site is a prehistoric bison processing camp occupied by Shoshonean people visiting their Northern Paiute relatives around 400 years ago. The site is located in an environment very susceptible to wind erosion and livestock trampling. Fencing the site will reduce the amount of erosion currently noted.

Livestock trampling impacts were also noted at Knoll Site in Silvie's Valley and a 0.5-mile fence was erected around the north half of the site.

ARCHAEOLOGICAL INVENTORIES

Steens Mountain Archaeological Inventory Project: Steens Mountain Archaeological Inventory Project was continued in 2004. Two teams of OAS volunteers lead by BLM archaeologists completed 500 acres of inventory and



Photo CR-7. OAS Volunteers atop Steens Mountain

recorded five archaeological sites in Catlow Uplands (Photo CR-7). The crews documented a turn of the 20th century can dump, a rock cairn site, two extensive prehistoric camps, and two sites with prehistoric rock art.

"Lakes District Inventories": Other BLM archaeology staff led a different group of OAS volunteers in three, 4-day-long inventories where crews covered 800 acres and recorded 12 sites in the Wagontire area of the District. Most sites recorded by this crew are 10,000-year-old prehistoric camps.

In 2005 BLM archaeological technicians led two inventories with OAS and local volunteers in the Wagontire and Riley areas. Eight new sites were recorded and 750 acres were inventoried.

Clovis Quest Inventories: In 2006 the BLM archaeological staff began a systematic inventory of the north half of the District in search of Clovis spear points and associated artifacts. The BLM is very interested in discovering distribution of Clovis artifacts in southeastern Oregon and determining particular geographic locations preferred by people living off the land 13,000+ years ago. Archaeological staff is also determined to find a Clovis aged site(s) to recover datable material, such as charcoal or bone, to firmly date this technology and the people that used it in the northern Great Basin. The OAS and local volunteers spent 2 weeks in 2006 and 2007 inventorying pre-selected locations and found a Clovis spear point each year, recorded 15 new sites, revisited 4 additional sites, and inventoried 1,300 acres.

Because of these volunteer surveys and other BLM staff work, the number of recent Clovis finds has increased. A new site, Sage Hen Gap, was inventoried in 2007 by BLM, OAS, local volunteers and students from the University of Oregon (U of O) field school. Five Clovis spear points and Clovis era artifacts have been found there and the site has become the focus of surface collection, mapping, and excavation (Photo CR-8).

ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITE RESEARCH

Lake-on-the-Trail Test Excavations: BLM archaeological staff, Alison Stenger of the Institute for Archaeological Studies, and OAS volunteers began test excavations at Lake-on-the-Trail Site (Photos CR-9 and CR-10). This site spans the last 12,000+ years with sporadic occupations during wet periods. Of particular interest is the early period, a time when the site was intensively used. Excavators were able to penetrate over 12 feet deep into the site's matrix but did not find the bottom of the cultural deposits. Results of the excavation were inconclusive and summarized in a report by Ms. Stenger. Additional testing at the site in cooperation with the U of O Field School and OAS volunteers is planned in 2010.



Photo CR-8. Complete Clovis Point



Photo CR-9. OAS Volunteers begin to open up test units at Lake-on-the-Trail.

Photo CR-10. Complete 11,000-year-old obsidian spear point from Lake-on-the-Trail.



Desert Field Caves: The U of O field school, led by archaeologist Dennis Jenkins Ph.D., completed salvage excavations at Desert Field caves complex in summer 2006. The field school tested three caves heavily damaged by looters since prior to the 1950s. Two caves yielded some intact archaeological sediments and were dated to the last 3,000 years. A small number of perishable artifacts such as an arrow shaft, a small basket fragment and twined string were recovered. The third cave was found to be undisturbed and was probed to about 9 feet deep where a charcoal sample yielded a date of 6,500 years ago. This cave has been reserved for future research as it likely contains completely preserved materials as old as 13,000 years and, because it is dry, may contain perishable artifacts such as sandals, basketry, arrows, atlatls and other rare artifacts. It will be annually monitored until time and budget allow a significant excavation of its deposits.

Sage Hen Gap: Surface collection, mapping, and test excavations were done in summer 2007 by the U of O field school under the direction of archaeologist Patrick O’Grady, Ph.D. The OAS, local volunteers, and BLM staff assisted in activities at the site. Clovis-related artifacts such as fluting flakes and early stage biface fragments were recovered. Intensive mapping and test excavations enabled U of O and BLM archaeologists to determine “hot spots” of prehistoric activity and depth of ancient buried deposits. An ashy deposit that may contain datable charcoal is currently being analyzed for pollen and plant remains such as seeds. The BLM hopes to collect enough charcoal from this deposit to submit for C14 dating and get a solid date for the site (the first in Oregon).

PALEONTOLOGICAL INVENTORIES

One paleontological locality was inventoried with the aid of the State BLM paleontological lead in 2004. This locality yielded 5.5 million-year-old, fossilized bones and teeth of various animals such as horses, rhinos, elephants, rabbits, and rodents. Additional analysis of fossil specimens was completed in 2005. An interpretive poster will be created in 2008 about the site and creatures that once roamed the land.

Monitoring of Bartlett Spring and Weed Lake Ditch localities was completed in 2006. Additional fossils from the 5.5 million-year-old Bartlett Spring and 20,000+ year-old Weed Lake Ditch localities were found and have been sent to South Dakota School of Mining and Technology paleontologist Jim Martin, Ph.D. for analysis and identification. Of particular interest was the giant camel bones found at Weed Lake Ditch.

Monitoring of Bartlett Spring and Thousand Springs localities by BLM staff occurred in 2007. Additional rhino, horse, and rabbit fossils were found at Bartlett Spring and Thousand Springs yielded rhino and camel fossils. This group of fossils will be analyzed by Jim Martin, Ph.D. in winter 2008.

INTERPRETATION ACTIVITIES

A Districtwide interpretive project started in 2004. By 2006, ten interpretive panels were designed and installed at five locations. Two panels each were installed at Gap Ranch Civilian Conservation Corp Camp and Poison Creek Reservoir in Silvies Valley in summer 2006.

An active interpretive program, consisting of presentations to local and regional advocational groups and at professional meetings, and the creation of numerous posters presented at the annual John Scharff Migratory Bird Festival was completed in 2004, 2005, 2006, and 2007.

CULTURAL RESOURCES CLEARANCES FOR DISTRICT PROJECTS

The following table provides data on number of projects and acres inventoried by fiscal year and number of sites found within the project areas:

FY	Number of Projects	Acres Inventoried	Sites Found
2004	35	15,000	69
2005	38	16,000	75
2006	27	29,000	90
2007	31	27,000	87

PLANNED WORK FOR FY08

NATIONAL REGISTER SITES MANAGED

Two thematic National Register nominations will be written in 2008. One nomination for cave sites will include Catlow and Desert Field Caves. The other, nominating open sites, will include Skull Creek Dunes, Juniper Lake and, possibly, Lost Dune and The Knolls sites. This initiative is funded by the State Office and will also include sites on Lakeview, Prineville, and Vale Districts.

SITE RESTORATION, STABILIZATION AND PROTECTION

No site restoration or stabilization activities are planned for 2008. Maintenance activities are planned for Gap Ranch Civilian Conservation Corps Camp, Riddle Brothers Ranch National Historic District, Bulkeley and Gibson Cabins and Trout Creek School House.

Volunteer caretakers will keep a watchful eye on Riddle Brothers Ranch National Historic District and regularly complete fire prevention, cleaning, and light maintenance tasks in and around Frederick Riddle ranch headquarters building complex. They will also offer interpretive information and tours to visitors.

The Fire Prone Sites project focuses fuels reduction treatments on historic buildings and other fire-sensitive cultural resources in both RAs. Work on the project is planned for Riddle Brothers Ranch National Historic District.

Skull Creek Dunes is a large, fragile, buried, prehistoric site with evidence of at least 9,000 years of occupation. It is susceptible to erosion caused by livestock trailing and all-terrain vehicle travel on the windward side of the site in particular. The site is located about half on private land and half on public land. The private landowner agreed to allow their portion of the site to be fenced with the public portion. Botanical and cultural clearances for this project will be completed in 2008. The EA will be written in 2009.

ARCHAEOLOGICAL INVENTORIES

Clovis Quest 2008: Two weeks of archaeological inventory is planned for summer 2008. This inventory will be completed by BLM staff, OAS, and local volunteers.

Steens Archaeological Inventory Research: The UWM graduate students, OAS volunteers and BLM staff will inventory selected areas in the Steens Mountain uplands. Inventories will focus on upland, long-term prehistoric campsites to compare with findings at Mortar Riddle Site and previously researched lowland camps in Catlow and Alvord Basins.



Photo CR-11. Overview of a resistant (but eroding) soil layer at Skull Creek Dunes.

ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITE RESEARCH

Steens Archaeological Research: As a continuation to research at Mortar Riddle Site on Steens Mountain, UWM graduate students, OAS, local volunteers, and BLM staff will begin testing other archaeological sites in the uplands of Steens Mountain in summer 2008.

Desert Field Caves: A final report on the excavation at Desert Field is expected in January 2008.

Sage Hen Gap: The U of O field school, OAS, local volunteers, and BLM staff will spend 4 weeks continuing excavations at Sage Hen Gap Clovis site in the north end of the District. Two other Clovis locations (Sheep Mountain

Clovis site and Ilse Clovis site) will be tested by the field school for subsurface deposits and other Clovis era artifacts for 2 weeks in summer 2008. A preliminary report about the 2007 activities will be presented at the Society for American Archaeology meeting at Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada, in March 2008.

PALEONTOLOGICAL INVENTORY

Monitoring and collection at Weed Lake Ditch and Flagstaff Butte localities will be completed in 2008. Tentative plans are being made for a South Dakota School of Mining and Technology field school to work at the wide-spread Thousand Springs locality in the southern end of the District in 2009.

INTERPRETIVE ACTIVITIES

Two interpretive signs will be installed at The Narrows near Malheur Lake in spring 2008. Two additional signs will be placed at the entrance to Riddle Brothers Ranch National Historic District in summer 2008.

An active interpretive program, consisting of presentations to local and regional groups and professional meetings, and the creation of a number of posters for the annual John Scharff Migratory Bird Festival is intended for 2008.

An interpretive poster will be created in 2008 about the paleontological site inventoried in 2004 yielding 5.5 million-year old, fossilized bones and teeth and the creatures that once roamed the land.

CULTURAL RESOURCES CLEARANCES FOR DISTRICT PROJECTS

FY08 District project clearance activities are very likely to mirror the levels seen in 2006 and 2007. Large-scale, fuels reduction projects are the dominant project type expected.

RECREATION

During FY04 through FY07 normal recreation maintenance was conducted at all recreation sites; campground hosts were stationed at Chickahominy, Page Springs, Fish Lake, and South Steens Campgrounds and at Riddle Brothers Ranch National Historical District; and recreation use monitoring continued, including the installation of additional road counters to better understand recreation use throughout the area.

The following table depicts the number of SRPs issued and the number of paid visits by fiscal year:

Fiscal Year	Number of SRPs issued	Paid Visits
04	18	4,109
05	46	3,045
06	35	3,323
07	26	3,606

In FY04 an increase in general recreation use on the District, including within the CMPA, was noted.

A Burns District SRP guidebook was developed in FY05 and has been distributed to the public. The guidebook is intended to help the public understand requirements of the District's SRP program while reducing staff time needed to explain the process.

The Zone Interagency Recreation Program between Emigrant Creek Ranger District and the BLM Burns District continued through FY07. This program falls under the umbrella of the "Service First" Initiative where the BLM and USFS are working together to deliver seamless service to customers and "boundary-less" care for the land. This program continues to be a win/win situation for the public, agencies involved, and the communities of Burns and

Hines. Within guidelines of this agreement, the following were accomplished: quality recreation maintenance provided consistently throughout the USFS facilities; health and safety needs of the visiting public are meeting Federal and State standards; some infrastructure repairs were completed; better signing and organization of information boards within recreation sites, and campgrounds have been established.

In FY07 in addition to ongoing maintenance, a solar-powered water system and a CXT vault toilet were installed at Fish Creek Campground and Warm Springs Recreation Site, respectively.

PLANNED WORK FOR FY08

Proposed projects for FY08 include continuing maintenance of all recreation sites, continuing road and trail counter monitoring throughout Burns District, and conducting required NEPA analyses to accommodate new special recreation permittees such as outfitters, guides, and organized groups. The Zone Interagency Recreation Program is also expected to continue throughout FY08.

Beginning in 2008, an activity-level plan addressing recreation in the entire CMPA will be initiated. This plan will address issues 1) raised in public scoping for the AMU/CMPA RMP, 2) received during planned public scoping for this planning effort, 3) identified in the Draft RMP, but whose consideration was delayed, and 4) identified by BLM staff. The CMPA Comprehensive Recreation Plan will replace the 1985 Steens Mountain Recreation Plan and the 1993 Andrews Plan Amendment for Recreation Access Surrounding the Steens Mountain Loop Road.

Radar Hill operation maintenance grant work will occur in FY08 consisting of dispersal of ATV safety and riding ethics literature, trash removal by the Harney County work crew, improvement of water drainage to mitigate resource damages, installing barriers, and signing of public lands.

Work on Moon Hill Reservoir EA will continue. This EA will analyze effects of developing the recreation site including refurbishing the fishing dock, installation of a vault toilet and graveling roads.

WOODLAND AND FOREST MANAGEMENT

The forestry program is primarily confined to Three Rivers RA, except for minor amounts of special forest product sales in the Andrews RA.

Forest health treatments and associated hazardous fuels reduction projects continue to be the District's priority for forest management. Rattlesnake/Squaw Creek/Coffeepot (RSC) thinning project continued implementation in FY04 and FY05 with four contracts for 424 acres and 455 acres, respectively, of noncommercial thinning and piling. The project was completed in FY06 with three contracts for 350 acres of thinning and piling. The piles were burned in November 2006.

Dry Mountain Old Growth had 194 acres noncommercially thinned and piled in FY04 to reduce bark beetle damage. The piles were burned in FY05.

Silvies, Hopper, Emigrant and Detrick (SHED) Forest Restoration project began implementation in FY05 after an extended outreach process. Meetings were held with Grant and Harney County Courts, Harney Soil and Water Conservation District, Harney County Watershed Council, and a public open house at BLM Burns District Office. The first contract awarded was the Hopper Stewardship contract. This contract was awarded to a local contractor and utilized the provisions of stewardship contracting to use the merchantable value of small trees to lower overall cost of mechanical treatments. It entailed thinning 147 acres of overstocked ponderosa pine and Douglas-fir and yielded about 321,000 board feet of timber. Twelve hundred (1,200) green tons of biomass were sent to the cogeneration plant in Prairie City and used to generate electricity. The primary objective of the project was to treat hazardous fuels conditions. This was accomplished through removal of large numbers of generally small, understory trees and breaking up the continuous forest canopy, reducing the risk of crown fires.

An EA was written to analyze forest management options for the consolidated block of BLM land in Silvies Valley resulting from a recent land exchange. Newell Forest Health Project proposed to treat 934 acres of overstocked second growth ponderosa pine stands. Treatments include fencing and/or replanting 24 aspen stands, noncommercial thinning, slash piling and burning, timber harvest, and road relocations and closures. Project implementation began in December 2005.

Aspen stands are an important habitat that continues to be a District priority for restoration. Squaw Creek Aspen Rehabilitation Project began implementation in FY04. It involved cutting expansion junipers and pines out of seven aspen stands and then fencing the stands to protect reproduction from browsing animals. This was completed in fall of 2006.

Theimer Stewardship Contract was awarded in September 2007 and will be implemented over the next 2 years. It was developed to implement a portion of Devine Ridge/Forks of Poison Creek EA. It entails the mechanical thinning and piling of 350 acres of ponderosa pine and juniper. A small amount [60 mbf (1,000 board feet)] of timber will be produced by this project. The contract contains design features to encourage the contractor to utilize biomass if economical.

In FY07 an EA was written to analyze treatment options for Pinecraft Hazardous Fuels Reduction Project. Treatments will include conifer removal and fencing of ten aspen stands, noncommercial thinning, slash piling and burning, timber harvest and road relocations and closures. This timber sale will remove large numbers of small trees and break up the continuous forest canopy, reducing risk of crown fires. Mechanical treatments should be finished in 5 to 7 years and will be followed by a landscape scale underburn.

Special forest products including juniper boughs, posts, and firewood continue to be provided as a service to the public.

Juniper control projects have also been identified in the Terrestrial Habitat and Species Management, Wildland Juniper Management Area (WJMA) (Special Areas Section), and Wildfire and Fuels Management Sections of this update.

PLANNED WORK FOR FY08

Lake Creek Stewardship Project will be offered for bid in FY08. It contains 800 acres of transitional ponderosa pine/juniper woodland. Reduction of hazardous fuels and canopy continuity are primary objectives. It is anticipated 100 mbf of small timber will be offered to partially offset the cost of the 800 acres of noncommercial thinning.

Commercial harvest of Newell Forest Health Project will be completed in spring 2008 with 679,000 board feet of small timber being logged. Noncommercial thinning will begin in FY08 and will finish in about 3 to 4 years depending on budgets.

Implementation of Pinecraft Hazardous Fuels Reduction Project began in October 2007 with the sale of 1.4 mmbf (one million board feet) of small timber.

MINERALS

In July 2004, Burns District completed an EA for a Mine Plan of Operation (MPO) for green obsidian, a suspected common variety material according to BLM guidance. Mining of green obsidian under the approved MPO began in fall 2004. Also in July 2004, Burns District received another MPO for flat rock, another suspected common variety material. Botanical and archaeological surveys were completed and an EA written in 2006. BLM continues to sell flat rock from Pine Creek Decorative Stone Community Pit adjacent to the flat rock claims.

The MPOs for suspected common variety materials are processed under BLM's 2001 Mining Law regulations contingent upon claimants establishing and paying into an escrow account the in-place value of the mined mate-

rial pending a validity exam. If the validity exam process finds the materials are common variety, the claimants must relinquish the money collected in escrow and their claims. If the validity exam process finds materials are uncommon variety and therefore claimable, claimants keep the escrow money and continue to operate under their approved MPO.

In July 2004 BLM completed an EA for development and reclamation of Neals Hill Community Pit. The Harney County Road Department began mining gravel from this site under a free use permit in fall 2004. In 2005, Harney County Road Department completed paving 10 miles at the north end of East Steens Road using rock from Neals Hill Materials Source. In 2005 BLM completed environmental analysis for expansion of Long Hollow Summit Community Pit and in 2006 Harney County Road Department paved approximately 7 miles at the south end of East Steens Road using rock from Long Hollow Summit.

In October 2004 the BLM notified sunstone claimants within Steens Mountain Mineral Withdrawal Area a validity exam found minerals in insufficient quantity or quality to constitute a discovery of a valuable mineral deposit at the time lands were withdrawn or at present. Claimants contested the finding, and a hearing in May 2007 before an IBLA Administrative Law Judge resulted in a decision in favor of the BLM in October 2007. Claimants requested review before the IBLA, which is pending.

In 2005 and 2006, mining of small quantities of obsidian continued at Green Obsidian Mine north of Burns with the claimant paying into an escrow account pending a validity exam. In 2007 the claim lapsed and a BLM community pit designation acquired a superior right to all subsequent claims. In 2008 BLM will decide how to best manage the green obsidian area, but meanwhile it is open to removal of small quantities by the general public as a casual use activity despite subsequent claims.

South Harney Road Zeolite Mine, located south of Harney Lake, was permitted in 1996 and was active in December 1996 to January 1997. The operator hauled ore to Hines for stockpiling and processing and then the mine was inactive for 10 years. In October 2007 the mine was reactivated under a new owner, ZeoCorp, and the new owner is again stockpiling and processing ore in Hines while working on marketing.

Removal of small volumes of sand and gravel and flat rock for personal use is permitted by sales from 32 designated community pits in Burns District. The BLM averages 20 small sales (10 to 500 cubic yards each) per year to the general public. Sales of large volumes for personal use are rare. Removal of large volumes of gravel to public entities such as Harney County Road Department and ODOT is permitted by free use permit from community pits. The BLM averages two large, free use permits (approximately 50,000 cubic yards each) per year. Environmental analyses for new aggregate sources and updated development and reclamation plans are written as time allows.

PLANNED WORK FOR FY08

ZeoCorp is expected to revise their MPO to propose blasting. The BLM will complete environmental analysis when information on the blasting amount and timing is received.

EP Minerals, Inc., plans to update their MPO for Celatom Mine, a diatomite mine east of Drewsey, and expand their existing mine area. They are currently operating under an MPO approved by BLM after environmental analysis in 1985. EP Minerals will use results and recommendations of the acid rock drainage potential report (completed in 2007) to revise their MPO. A revised MPO is expected in December 2007. The MPO will be available for 30-day public review in 2008 as a contractor begins environmental analysis for mine expansion of the diatomite mine.

The BLM will continue to process small sales (10 to 500 cubic yards each) for sand, gravel and flat rock to the general public throughout 2008.

LANDS TENURE ADJUSTMENTS, ACCESS, AND RIGHTS OF WAY

The Burns District lands program continues its efforts to acquire lands within the CMPA. One 20-acre private inholding and a second 5-acre inholding within Steens Mountain Wilderness were purchased in FY04 and FY06, respectively, using Land and Water Conservation Fund monies. In addition, assistance of The Wilderness Land Trust and The Nature Conservancy was secured in FY04 to aid in BLM's land acquisition efforts in the Steens. These nonprofit partners continue to actively negotiate on BLM's behalf with landowners for key wilderness inholdings and have resources to expeditiously secure properties for eventual transfer to BLM. A regular mailing in FY05 to inholders resulted in new interest by some to sell several small inholdings to BLM. The BLM has undertaken resource clearances, conducted preliminary staff scoping, and negotiated with other landowners on several exchanges that would result in acquisition of additional Steens lands including multiple small wilderness inholdings.

Processing of Rock Creek Ranch land exchange has continued into 2008 and is nearing completion. In addition, negotiations, resource clearances and feasibility work were accomplished on Clemens land exchange proposal in 2006 and 2007. These two exchanges would ultimately result in acquisition of six wilderness inholdings and other land on the east face of Steens Mountain with rural residential development potential following public environmental analysis.

Since 2004 the Burns District continued efforts on its popular land sale program. Final processing and conveyance of 14 parcels totaling over 1,000 acres were accomplished in early 2004. Two additional parcels, unsold from this earlier sale, were sold in 2005. Processing on a second package of sales continued through December 2007, when 24 parcels aggregating nearly 3,000 acres were auctioned and sold. Since 1996 the Burns District has sold nearly 12,000 acres of public lands which are difficult and uneconomical to manage by BLM and identified for disposal out of Federal ownership by the Three Rivers RMP. These sales have resulted in total receipts of over \$1.7 million dollars. Most sale receipts are deposited in a land acquisition fund and are made available to acquire lands containing important natural resource and cultural values and for preparation of additional sales within the State.

A multiyear project was completed in early FY07 to acquire access for a major timber sale and other administrative purposes in Three Rivers RA. This work included negotiations and processing of nine individual easement cases. Two additional easements were acquired in FY06 which provide legal public access to Moon Reservoir and along Mill Creek Road, important public use areas. Work also progressed through FY06 and completed in early FY07 to secure legal administrative access in Kiger Gorge for long-term maintenance of fences associated with the No Livestock Grazing Area of Steens Mountain Wilderness.

Processing continued through FY06 on an application by Burns Butte Sportsmen's Club to purchase public lands currently under lease containing Burns Butte Shooting Range. An EA and Plan amendment were completed in late 2006. However, a legal impediment surfaced which limited BLM's ability to transfer the property through the Recreation and Public Purposes Act.

ROWs, road use agreements and permits were issued in the District for development of new roads, use of existing roads, small-scale electric power lines, telephone lines and a variety of other public land uses. Monitoring continued on new public land uses to ensure compliance with terms and conditions of appropriate permits. Several road ROWs were granted to cooperating landowners in exchange for administrative road easements acquired by BLM from FY04 through 07.

A ROW for a single wind monitoring tower was issued in FY04 on Stinkingwater Mountains. Two additional ROWs were issued in early 2007 for wind monitoring and testing project areas on Stinkingwater and northern Pueblo Mountains which may have potential for wind energy development. In addition to authorizing wind monitoring sites, these project area ROWs limit competing wind development applications for a period not to exceed 3 years while the holder of the ROW studies feasibility of wind energy development.



Photo LT-1. Pueblo Mountains

Authorizations were issued in 2006 and 2007 for earth research facilities including three permanent Global Position System base station sites associated with the nationwide Earthscope project and several temporary seismometer stations connected to the regional High Lava Plains Seismic Experiment.

Two communication use leases were processed in FY05 and FY07. These leases authorized installation of a new cellular telephone site and a two-way radio repeater at Jack Mountain, a designated communications site. A Communications Site Plan was also completed in FY06 for Buckskin Mountain finalizing communications planning on all three of the District's designated communications sites, including a new site at Wrights Point where BLM installed a two-way radio repeater in 2005.

A long-term occupancy trespass in Glass Buttes area was resolved in FY05 in conjunction with AML cleanup in the area.

Significant effort was expended by the District's lands and realty staff in 2004 and 2005 in preparation of the Lands, Realty and Transportation Sections of the AMU/CMPA RMP/EIS. This effort was completed in July of 2005 when the RODs for the plans were approved.

PLANNED WORK FOR FY08

Negotiations will continue with willing landowners in the CMPA to secure key parcels in public ownership and to protect and conserve other properties in the CMPA. A decision will be made on Rock Creek Land Exchange, and if approved, completion of the exchange is planned for early FY08. A purchase agreement with a landowner of a 20-acre wilderness inholding will be updated, title clearance actions completed, and purchase of the parcel finalized in FY08. Negotiations and processing will continue on the Clemens exchange once the proponent has reached side agreements with third parties related to the exchange. If completed, the exchange would result in acquisition by BLM of six small wilderness inholdings. The District will immediately undertake processing of any opportunities that arise to purchase additional wilderness inholdings and generally consider exchange proposals for inholdings a higher priority than proposals in other areas.

The District plans to scale back its land sale program in an effort to respond to exchange requests and other types of land adjustments along with an increasing workload in ROWs and other use authorizations. Many BLM properties identified for disposal in Three Rivers RMP have now been sold or have known resource issues limiting their availability for sale. Negotiations and initial processing will be undertaken on one exchange in Three Rivers RA resulting in acquisition of an important parcel adjacent to Diamond Craters Outstanding Natural Area/ACEC and, if acquired, incorporated into this special area.

Negotiations will resume with Burns Butte Sportsmen's Club on transfer of land containing Burns Butte Shooting Range. If agreeable to the Club, the land may be offered to them through a Federal Land Policy and Management Act (FLPMA) sale.

New access acquisition efforts will be undertaken in preparation for out-year timber sales including a proposed salvage sale associated with the 2007 Egley Fire (See Wildfire and Fuels Management Section).

The District is experiencing an increase in residential development of rural property resulting in additional applications for access and utility ROWs. This trend is expected to continue in FY08. In addition, a number of land uses requiring authorization are being contemplated. These include a National Guard training area for the local transportation unit, additional elements of High Lava Plains Seismic Experiment, potential wind energy development

and possible major utility projects. Other ROWs and land use permit applications will continue to be processed as they are received and unauthorized use dealt with as it is discovered. Compliance inspections on authorized land uses will be conducted to ensure compliance with terms and conditions of the authorization.

An EA will be completed in FY08 to facilitate more expeditious processing of minimum impact filming permits proposed within the District's special management areas.

A second EA to consider an additional access route and winter snowmobile access to wilderness inholdings may be initiated in FY08 as well as an EA to analyze trailing of livestock to an inholding. A decision will be issued on the TMP.

With the assistance from Burns District Office, the BLM Oregon/Washington State Office has been developing formal boundary descriptions of various designations contained in the Steens Act. Completion of these descriptions is expected in FY08 and will be transmitted to the BLM Washington Office for eventual submission to Congress as required by the Act.

HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

HAZMAT

In July 2004, the Environmental Protection Act (EPA) contractors removed asbestos-containing material and scrap metal from BLM land surrounding the top of Radar Hill, an old U.S. Air Force radar base now in private ownership. Most asbestos-containing material and scrap metal on BLM land were located in a borrow pit apparently excavated during construction. In February 2005, BLM used a dozer to reshape the old borrow pit, blocked two access roads so the site is not readily accessible for illegal dumping, and seeded the site with bluebunch wheatgrass and squirreltail.

In September 2004, the BLM drafted a Community Action Plan for cleanup of Glass Buttes AML under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980. The Glass Buttes AML site is located 48 miles west of Burns, Oregon, and approximately 5 miles east of Glass Butte. In FY05 cleanup activities focused on land adjacent to abandoned mercury retorts. During the week of May 2, 2005, a hazmat contractor removed eight cubic yards of soil containing hazmat levels of mercury for transport to Wisconsin Treatment Storage and Disposal facility for recovery of the contained mercury. All metal, wood, soil, and processed rock remaining at Glass Buttes contain less than 600 parts-per-million (ppm) mercury, which is DEQ's standard cleanup level for soil at an industrial site.

During the week of May 23, 2005, a hazmat contractor constructed a repository at each of two abandoned mercury mill/retort sites and buried soil and debris with greater than 40 ppm mercury. Uncontaminated metal and concrete debris in the vicinity were added to the repositories to the extent they fit. Repositories were capped by a minimum of 24 inches of local soil, and runoff control ditches and runoff control berms were constructed to protect the repositories from erosion.

Realty trespass procedures were followed to allow the public to claim any personal property from an occasionally-occupied bunkhouse prior to BLM's removal. Uncontaminated wood debris at Glass Buttes bunkhouse and mill/retort sites were a safety hazard due to potential for hantavirus and were burned by BLM fire crews on May 31, 2005. Uncontaminated metal collected from the Glass Buttes area was removed to a scrap metal dealer; unburnable debris was removed to C&B Sanitary transfer station at Burns for transport to Clay Peak Landfill at Payette, Idaho; and the mill/retort sites plus some of the AML exploratory dozer cuts were shaped by BLM equipment operators during June, July, and August. The repositories and other remediated areas were seeded by BLM in November 2005.

Many dozer cuts and open pit mines remain unremediated over a two-square-mile area and will remain available for recreational collection of small quantities of rock for casual use. In the future, no removal of rock beyond small quantities for personal use from Glass Buttes AML area will be permitted without written concurrence

from the DEQ. The DEQ has expressed concern that rock with natural mercury mineralization could contaminate surface water, even if analyses detect no leachable mercury in the unprocessed rock. In addition, mining law exploration notices or MPOs in the remediated areas will be required to have a reclamation bond equal to the total cost of BLM cleanup actions in the Glass Buttes area since 1997 (\$300,000) in addition to specific costs to reclaim the proposed exploration and mining activities.

The BLM land use plan, which applies to the entire remediated area, identifies this land for retention in public ownership. Remediated lands will continue to be used for grazing by wildlife, cattle, and horses.

The Glass Buttes AML sites were reseeded in winter 2006-2007 and part of the area burned in summer 2007 as part of Round Top Butte wildfire. The burned area was seeded in fall 2007.

In spring 2006 BLM took samples in the vicinity of abandoned mercury retorts in a WSA on the east side of Steens Mountain west of Alvord Hot Springs. The area has elevated mercury levels, but no hazmat levels of mercury were found. An EA was written for remediation in that vicinity and made available for public review. Remediation in fall 2006 included installation of bat grates at two horizontal adits and removal of debris. In 2007 additional work was done at the bat grates to deter entry by recreationists.

A spill plan for Frenchglen Fire Guard Station was updated in 2006. A curb was constructed in fall 2006 to help confine fuel spills on pavement.

In 2007, Pueblo Group AML sites were inspected and sampled for hazardous materials and none were found.

PLANNED WORK FOR FY08

The Glass Buttes AML area will be inspected in 2008 for reestablishment of vegetation and reseeded as needed. The bat grates at AML sites on the east side of Steens Mountain will be monitored and additional AML sites in the vicinity of Pueblo Peak will be sampled. An EA will be written in 2008 for public review for remediation activities in the Pueblo Peak area in 2009. Remediation may include backfilling an abandoned horizontal adit and a vertical shaft on the east side of Pueblo Peak.

The hazmat program promotes recycling, provides for proper cleanup of reported spills and debris on BLM land, provides annual disposal of BLM's unwanted or expired paint and other hazardous materials used in our work, and provides hazmat assessment of parcels of land for realty land exchanges and other realty actions.

WILDFIRE AND FUELS MANAGEMENT

PREPAREDNESS PROGRAM

The Burns Interagency Fire Zone (BIFZ) is comprised of State and Federal Agencies from across southeast Oregon including Burns District BLM, Emigrant Creek Ranger District, Malheur National Forest and Malheur NWR. The BIFZ annually staffs a mixture of fire fighting resources consisting of 17 engines, 1 helicopter, a 5-person hand crew, Single Engine Air Tanker, and 6 fire lookouts.

PREVENTION PROGRAM

The BIFZ fire prevention program consists of three basic elements: Industrial Fire Precaution Level (IFPL), public awareness (awareness) and public outreach (outreach). These three elements are functioning at various levels.

The IFPL is a mandated function performed by Burns Interagency Communication Center and is fully functional. It consists of developing, tracking and communicating IFPLs that regulate operations performed on public lands.

It is a progressive scale raising restrictions as general fire danger increases from no restrictions to total shutdown of almost all operations. It is communicated by signs, an information line and notifying government employees overseeing contracts, agreements or industrial activities.

Awareness consists of developing, tracking and communicating fire danger indices and somewhat restricts activities pursued on public lands. Awareness is accomplished through six zone entry portal signs, a collection of various signs placed across the zone and public service announcements through local newspapers and radio. This element is currently functioning at a minimum level. Noteworthy, however, is the Red Flag Program. This program is a communication program where people and businesses post red flags during periods of hazardous fire weather conditions (Red Flag Warnings) as announced by the National Weather Service.

Outreach efforts consist of facilitating Smokey Bear appearances at local public events, namely the Harney County Fair, and maintaining a recorded phone message at (541) 573-4555 to provide updated IFPLs, fire danger, and public use restrictions information.

In the past the BIFZ had a dedicated prevention technician and funding to perform prevention functions. With decline in overall funding, the position has been vacant for several years and funded prevention activities are at a minimum. When staffed and funded, the prevention program had more robust approaches to accomplishing the three elements, especially awareness and outreach. The Harney County Community Wildfire Prevention Plan notes the need for increased awareness and outreach as does the BIFZ management staff. In an attempt to facilitate more awareness and outreach an approach being tried for the first time is assigning some activities to the BIFZ Business Assistant.

FIRE PLANNING PROGRAM

Wildland fire and aviation preparedness reviews are conducted annually prior to fire season to help the field unit prepare for fire season, identify operational, procedural, personnel or equipment deficiencies, and recommend corrective actions. National level reviews occur every 4 years with the last one occurring in 2005. Regional/State level reviews are conducted every 2 years with the last one occurring in 2007.

Phase 1 of Fire Planning Analysis (FPA) for the Burns Fire Planning Unit was accomplished in 2006. The purpose of the FPA System is to provide managers with a common interagency process for fire management, analysis, planning and budgeting to evaluate effectiveness of alternative fire management strategies through time to meet land management goals and objectives. The FPA will reflect fire objectives and performance measures for the full scope of fire management activities. It is a joint initiative between five Federal wildland fire management agencies: USFS, BLM, National Park Service, USFWS, and Bureau of Indian Affairs. The FPA replaces the initial attack preparedness systems used by these five agencies prior to 2006. The FPA had no activity occur in 2007.

Program reviews are conducted periodically to identify planning, implementation and fiscal strengths and weaknesses, check application of policy direction and recommend corrective actions.

STABILIZATION AND REHABILITATION PLANNING

In 2006 an Emergency Stabilization and Burned Area Rehabilitation plan to cover eight fires was completed. The BLM seeded approximately 11,000 acres (3,500 acres of which were solely native species) constructed or repaired 15 erosion control structures, installed an early-flood warning system above the community of Fields, and constructed or repaired 82 miles of fence. Preparation to plant 70 acres of ponderosa pine seedlings occurred with planting expected in FY08.

Four Emergency Stabilization and three Burned Area Rehabilitation plans were completed for four large fires of 2007. In conjunction with these plans, four EAs were written. The BLM seeded approximately 13,000 acres, and conducted work to protect against large sediment loss by installing or repairing 14 sediment control structures. Ponderosa tree planting and bitterbrush planting were planned, but not funded. The BLM will be repairing 89 miles of fence and constructing another 15 miles.

Monitoring is ongoing and management decisions are being based and/or modified on some of the data generated. Per policy all treatments have permanent monitoring plots and plots are measured annually. Monitoring will continue through 2011.

AGREEMENTS

Updated fire agreements were put in place during 2005 and have been updated annually since. These agreements provide mutual assistance to Oregon Department of Forestry, Oregon Division of State Lands, Burns and Hines Volunteer Fire Departments, County 911 center, and Crane-Drewsey, Silver Creek, and Fields-Andrews Rural Fire Protection Associations. These agreements provide suppression assistance, coordinated fire prevention planning, and joint training opportunities amongst participants. In the spring of 2007 a new agreement was forged with Malheur NWR bringing their Fire Management Staff and resources fully into the BIFZ organization.

FIRE SUPPRESSION

The following table provides information regarding suppression efforts for FY04-FY07:

Fiscal Year	Agency	Total Number of Fires	Total Acres	Lightning Caused (Number/Acres)	Human Caused (Number/Acres)
2004	BLM	24	77	19 / 73	5 / 4
	FS	72	25	61 / 22	11 / 3
	USFWS	6	810	4 / 320	2 / 490
2005	BLM	47	10,392	38 / 8,999	9 / 1,393
	FS	40	22	32 / 17	8 / 5
	USFWS	4	22	3 / 17	1 / 5
2006	BLM	123	153,685	103 / 100,003	20 / 53,682
	FS	78	26	65 / 19	13 / 7
	USFWS	3	13	3 / 13	0
2007	BLM	58	99,574	43 / 89,578	15 / 9,996
	FS	78	101,510	53 / 101,446	25 / 64
	USFWS	7	28	6 / 26	1 / 2



Photo WF-1. Aerial View of Bartlett Fire South of Highway 20 near Warm Springs Reservoir

The Burns District manages a diverse landscape in the southern Blue Mountains and northern Great Basin of southeastern Oregon. Many vegetation types are represented within this area from conifer forest to the north to sagebrush-steppe on the southern end. Present and future fuels projects within Burns District are focused on reducing these hazardous fuel concentrations and restoring native plant and animal communities that rely on periodic disturbance from fire.

Since the early 1980s, there has been a shift in how wildland fire is viewed by the public and managed by the BLM. Prior to European settlement, fire played a significant role in most Pacific Northwest ecosystems. Plants and animals developed mechanisms to escape, avoid or tolerate periodic fires. European settlement changed the view of periodic wildfires. Fires were viewed as a destructive force and a competitor for resources. Resources consumed by fire were thought to be lost. Land management agencies in the early part of the 20th century began a campaign to reduce land and resources lost to wildfires. Reducing influence of fire in these ecosystems allowed living and dead plant material to accumulate. Prior to the era of fire suppression, periodic fires in forests and rangelands kept the amount of dead and dying trees, or density and cover of shrubs, at a level where large-scale, high-intensity wildfires were a rare event. From the early part of the 20th century to the 1950s and 1960s there were little obvious impacts of fire suppression efforts. In the early 1980s, there appeared to be an increase in number of acres burned and average size of fires. This trend became readily apparent in the 1990s, when large-scale, high-intensity wildfires began to occur every fire season. Some of these fires received wide-spread attention because of their damage or threats to businesses and residences in areas adjacent to forests and wildlands, now called the Wildland Urban Interface. In the latter part of the 1990s, Federal agencies began to work to reduce these threats.

The Healthy Forest Initiative was launched in 2002 to aid in implementation of projects from the Healthy Forest Restoration Act (HFRA). The HFRA provides improved statutory processes for hazardous fuels reductions projects on BLM lands and also provides other authorities and direction to help reduce hazardous fuel and restore healthy forest and rangeland conditions on lands of all ownerships.

The BLM Fuels Management Program treated less than 60,000 acres nationwide prior to 1998. Since that time, the BLM has treated an average of 188,000 acres a year nationwide. The hazardous fuels reduction projects strive to mitigate threats to public safety, and enhance, restore, and/or maintain critical plant and animal communities.

Burns District has followed National direction by increasing the number of acres treated from under 2,500 acres in 1996 to over 21,000 acres in 2006. A combination of prescribed fire and various mechanical treatments has been utilized to reduce threats to the public and enhance, maintain, and restore plant and animal communities. A summary of accomplishments is illustrated in the table below.

BURNS DISTRICT HAZARDOUS FUELS PROGRAM SUMMARY

Fiscal Year	Thinning Acres	Machine Pile Acres	Hand Pile Acres	Brush Mowing Acres	Seeded Acres	Pile Burn Acres	Prescribed Burn Acres	Total Acres
2004	6,908	474	302	2,606	0	580	4,930	15,800
2005	5,834	1,857	764	1,500	1,153	1,130	5,441	17,679
2006	3,351	316	1,265	2,550	4,620	348	9,045	21,495
2007	1,863	165	12	1,400	325	1,359	5,687	10,811

A combination of mechanical fuels treatment and prescribed fire are being used to help reduce fuels accumulations in the ponderosa pine forests and adjacent sagebrush steppe on Burns District. Three Rivers RA has numerous planning efforts taking place such as Strategic Fuel Breaks, Hazardous Fuels Reduction, SHED Forest Restoration, Lake Creek/Boone Canyon Forest Restoration, Three Rivers Under Burning CX, and Forks of Poison Creek/Devine Ridge Vegetation Management Restoration Projects. The following provides an update for each project:

- ✓ Strategic Fuel Breaks Project planning was completed in 2004 and implementation work began in 2005. Work on the project is ongoing. To date approximately 349 acres have been thinned and piled and 330 acres pile burned. Future implementation plans include further thinning, pile burning and maintenance mowing.

- ✓ Hazardous Fuels Reduction Project planning was completed in 2004 and implementation began in 2005. Work on the project is ongoing. To date approximately 4,041 acres have burned, 1,318 acres piled, and 1,153 acres seeded. Future plans are to pile and burn fuel concentrations along roadsides tentatively starting in 2010.
- ✓ The SHED Forest Restoration Project planning was completed in 2005 and implementation began the same year. Work on the project is ongoing. To date approximately 854 acres have been thinned and piled and 145 acres pile burned. Future implementation plans include further thinning, piling and pile burning. This project should be completed by 2010.
- ✓ Lake Creek/Boone Canyon Forest Restoration Project planning was completed in 2004 and implementation began in 2005. Work on the project is ongoing. To date 1,529 acres have been thinned and piled and 397 acres pile burned. Further implementation plans include finish pile burning, start thinning and machine piling and implement a forest under burn.
- ✓ Three Rivers Under Burning CX planning was completed in 2006 and implementation began the same year. Work on the project is ongoing. To date approximately 1,333 acres have been burned on the north-central units.
- ✓ Forks of Poison Creek/Devine Ridge Vegetation Management Restoration project planning was completed in 2005 and implementation began the same year. Work on the project is ongoing. To date approximately 2,177 acres have been burned, 1,830 acres thinned, 1,017 acres seeded, and 353 acres piled.

Other areas of fuels management projects being conducted are in sagebrush plant communities that have been, or are being, converted to western juniper woodlands. Primary goals of these projects are protecting life and private property located within and adjacent to these plant communities and restoring or maintaining sagebrush plant communities. Many wildlife species rely on these sagebrush plant communities for their life cycles. Western juniper has increased significantly over the last 150 years at the expense of sagebrush and associated plant species. Reduction in dominance of western juniper will help to reestablish mountain big sagebrush, quaking aspen, and riparian hardwood plant communities. Three Rivers RA has planning efforts taking place with Miller Canyon/Mahon Creek Rangeland Restoration Project. Andrews RA has planning efforts taking place with Ruby Springs Rangeland Restoration CX and Oliver Springs Rangeland Restoration CX. The following provides an update for each project:

- ✓ Miller Canyon/Mahon Creek Rangeland Restoration Project planning was completed in 2005 and implementation began the same year. Work on the project is ongoing. In 2005, 2,272 acres were cut to burn. In 2007, 1,110 acres were jackpot burned and another 400 acres were cut to burn. In 2008 plans are to broadcast burn 1,920 acres and seed 1,000 acres. Future plans include cutting, burning and seeding the north pastures.
- ✓ Ruby Springs Rangeland Restoration CX planning was completed in 2004 and implementation began the same year. Work on the project is ongoing. In 2004 and 2005, 2,385 and 1,287 acres were cut to burn, respectively. In 2005, 2,000 acres were jackpot burned. In 2006, 3,000 acres were broadcast burned and 300 acres hand seeded. In 2007, 302 acres were cut to burn. In 2008, plans are to jackpot burn 131 acres and seed 831 acres.
- ✓ Oliver Springs Rangeland Restoration CX planning was completed in 2006 and implementation began the same year. To date approximately 2,400 acres have been thinned and 300 acres burned. Work on the project is on going. Approximately 3,000 acres are planned for burning in 2008 and 1,000 acres for seeding in 2009.

West Warm Springs Allotment Management Plan (AMP) continued implementation. In 2004, 1,163 acres were burned on Buzzard 2 unit then seeded in 2005. In 2005 prescribed fire was applied to 4,800 acres on Basque Wells and Black Ridge units then seeded. These treatments achieved their purpose of reducing wildland fire hazards and improving condition of rangeland plant communities. Approximately 3,000 additional acres are planned to be burned and seeded in future years.

Previously planned projects are reaching their final phases of implementation. These projects are Kiger Creek/East Ridge Rangeland Restoration Project in Andrews RA and West Silvies and RSC Forest Restoration Projects in Three Rivers RA.

- ✓ Kiger Creek/East Ridge Rangeland Restoration Project continued implementation. To date an additional 200 acres were thinned and burned. These treatments achieved their purpose of reducing wildland fire hazards and improving the condition of rangeland plant communities. Another 400 acres of juniper thinning are planned for 2009 and burning in 2010. These treatments should complete the project.
- ✓ West Silvies Forest Restoration Project was completed between 2003 and 2007 with 2,650 acres burned. The project was a combination of spring and fall jackpot burning and under burning primarily in ponderosa pine forest to reduce fuel accumulations and promote forest health. These treatments achieved their purpose of reducing wildland fire hazards and improving the condition of forest and rangeland plant communities.
- ✓ The RSC Forest Restoration Project continued implementation. The project is achieving its objectives of reducing threat of a large-scale, high-intensity crown fire in ponderosa pine forest and removing juniper expansion into sagebrush steppe to promote overall forest and rangeland health. To date approximately 1,839 acres have been thinned, 1,647 acres piled, and 1,477 acres piled burned. Another 200 acres are planned to be thinned and piled in 2008 and the last piles burned in 2009. These treatments should finish the project.

Eight fuels reduction/ecosystem restoration projects were developed for Three Rivers RA and two for Andrews RA. These projects will reduce fuels and influence of western juniper on plant communities and reduce stocking of forested stands on public and private lands in cooperation with participating private landowners. They include Five Creeks Rangeland Restoration Project (see specifically titled section below) located in the vicinity of Riddle Mountain; Dry Lake Ecological Restoration Project located west of Silver Creek in the northwestern quarter of the RA; Camp Harney/Cow Creek Ecological Restoration Project located north of Harney; Otis Mountain/Moffet Table Vegetation Management Project situated due north of the community of Drewsey; Wyoming Big Sagebrush Fuel Break Project located generally south of Highway 20 and west of Highway 205; and North Steens Ecosystem Restoration and Wildlands Juniper Management Area projects located within the Steens Mountain Area (see specifically titled sections below). The Fire Prone Sites project focuses fuels reduction treatments on historic buildings and other fire-sensitive cultural resources in both RAs. The following provides an update for each project:

- ✓ Dry Lake Ecological Restoration Project planning was completed in 2006. Implementation is scheduled to begin in 2008.
- ✓ Camp Harney/Cow Creek Ecological Restoration Project planning was completed in 2007. Implementation is scheduled to begin in 2008.
- ✓ Otis Mountain/Moffet Table Vegetation Management Project planning will be completed in 2008. Implementation is scheduled to begin in 2009.
- ✓ Wyoming Big Sagebrush Fuel Break Project Phases 1 through 4 were completed in 2007. Approximately 2,950 acres have been mowed.
- ✓ Fire Prone Sites Project planning was completed in 2006 and implementation began in 2007 with approximately 200 acres of brush mowing and juniper removal at the Gap Ranch. Work on the project is ongoing.

FIVE CREEKS RANGELAND RESTORATION PROJECT:

Five Creeks Rangeland Restoration Project is a landscape scale vegetation treatment that encompasses approximately 73,500 acres (approximately 26,000 acres in the CMPA). The primary purposes of this project are to return vegetation communities to historic compositions and reduce hazardous fuel loads. This will be accomplished by using various forms of prescribed fire and mechanical treatments to reduce influence of encroaching western juniper. Project timeline is projected to be 10 to 12 years. The NEPA documentation was completed fall of 2006 (FY07) with the first phase of project implementation beginning in the fall of 2007. A contract for 2,612 acres of juniper cutting was awarded in the summer of 2007 with cutting underway by fall (FY08). An additional



Photos WF-2 and WF-3. Freshly cut juniper around a mahogany stand. Cut trees will be piled away from the mahogany and burned in 2009 so the fire-sensitive mahogany will not be lost during broadcast burn operations.

4,000 acres were laid out in the summer of 2007 for a contract to be awarded winter 2008. Cutting these 4,000 acres should begin in spring 2008.

In total, these 6,000 acres have been cut to prepare for a prescribed fire covering Phase 1 (24,000 acres) of Five Creeks Rangeland Restoration Project in FY09. Cooperators include Harney Soil and Water Conservation District, Harney County Watershed Council, Otley Brothers Inc., Steens Mountain Ranch, Riddle Ranches and Home Ranch, LLC.

NORTH STEENS ECOSYSTEM RESTORATION PROJECT:

North Steens Ecosystem Restoration Project (North Steens Project) is a landscape-level project to reduce juniper-related fuel loading and improve ecological health of the area by encouraging a healthy functioning ecosystem through appropriate land uses. This is a multiyear project and each year the extent of implementation will vary depending on variables such as staff limitations, resource considerations and climatic and operational conditions.

The proposed Project Area is located within the Andrews RA primarily within the CMPA and encompasses approximately 336,000 acres of private land and public land administered by the BLM.

The EOARC will work cooperatively with the BLM by placing intensive research sites on selected areas within the Project Area. The EOARC is jointly operated by OSU and U.S. Department of Agriculture- Agricultural Research Service. The BLM will work closely with EOARC to monitor project results.

Early in 2005, numerous comment letters were received during the initial 43-day scoping period. Most letters contained substantive comments, which supported the proposed project in principle. Some members of the public believed the proposed management direction in the alternatives did not provide adequate resource protection, while others wanted more emphasis on restoration of water quality and wildlife habitat. Treatments in wilderness, WSAs, and WSR corridors, and concerns about livestock grazing were themes as well. In response to public comments received during the first public scoping opportunity and increased interest in participation, a number of changes were made to the proposal resulting in the need for preparation of an EIS. An additional 15-day scoping period was offered for further public involvement. Five letters were received addressing ten issues.

On February 10, 2006, the EPA Notice of Availability of the North Steens Project Draft EIS was published in the Federal Register initiating a 45-day public comment period. A news release was sent to media groups including the Burns Times-Herald and KZZR Radio announcing availability of the Draft EIS. Approximately 118 hard copies and 125 compact disc copies of the Draft EIS were sent to individuals, agencies, and organizations. A newsletter was also distributed to names on the mailing list announcing the availability of the Draft EIS as well as announcing the public comment period and meeting dates. During the 45-day public comment period, public meetings were held in Burns and Diamond, Oregon, with a total of 13 attending. Numerous comments were received and were reviewed by BLM specialists and cooperating agencies. Changes were made between the Draft and Final EIS based on public comments and internal review. The BLM continued to involve the SMAC and cooperating agencies throughout the process.

A 30-day availability period was offered on the Final EIS beginning on August 17, 2007, following publication of EPA's Notice of Availability in the Federal Register. A Preferred Alternative was identified based on a recommendation provided by the SMAC. A news release was sent to media groups including the Burns Times-Herald and KZZR Radio announcing availability of the FEIS. Approximately 167 hard copies and 10 compact disc copies

were mailed to individuals, agencies and organizations on the mailing list. The FEIS was also made available on the BLM Web site at <http://www.blm.gov/or/districts/burns/plans/burns.php>.

The ROD was signed on September 26, 2007, and subsequently appealed to IBLA. The IBLA did not issue a stay. A final decision on all appealed elements is pending.

WILDLANDS JUNIPER MANAGEMENT AREA:

Various mechanical and prescribed fire treatments will be applied to demonstration plots in the Wildlands Juniper Management Area (WJMA) on Steens Mountain Loop Road. The WJMA was established for the purpose of demonstrating and experimenting with management techniques intended for restoration of fire-adapted ecosystems and reduction of hazardous fuels on Steens Mountain.

Implementation on the demonstration plots in the WJMA began in 2006. In 2006 the juniper cut-and-leave plot and the cut-and-machine pile plot were completed. In 2007, juniper blasting and demonstration pile burning were completed on their respective plots. In 2009 implementation plans are to initiate the hand cut plot, complete additional pile burning and tentatively initiate the broadcast burning plot in 2010. Work on the project is ongoing.

PLANNED WORK FOR FY08

In 2008 further analysis and implementation will occur using the FPA process to prepare for the 2011 budget cycle. Implementation work will continue on the above mentioned projects in FY08 and have work planned over the next several years. Of the projects entering their final phases, RSC and Oliver Springs should see completion in 2009 and SHED in 2010. Monitoring on treatments under the Emergency Stabilization and Burned Area Rehabilitation Plans will continue through 2011.

LAW ENFORCEMENT

Burns District has one full-time BLM Law Enforcement Ranger and, through a law enforcement agreement with Harney County Sheriff's Office, the service of one half-time sheriff's deputy.

Law enforcement efforts for FY04-FY07 included the following:

- ✓ Responding to and investigating natural resource crimes throughout the District
- ✓ Investigating occupancy trespass cases and fire trespass cases
- ✓ Investigating drug/narcotic offenses
- ✓ Investigating crimes against Federal employees and Federal property
- ✓ Assists to other BLM districts for marijuana eradication
- ✓ Coordinating law enforcement actions with other Federal, State and local departments including Harney County Sheriff's Office, Burns Police Department, Hines Police Department, Burns Paiute Tribal Police, Oregon State Police, USFS, USFWS, Drug Enforcement Administration and the Oregon Army National Guard.

FY	Number of Incidents/Cases Entered into The BLM LAWNET System
2004	75
2005	80
2006	88
2007	90

Cases and incidents have resulted in written warnings, citations, physical arrests and referral of cases to other agencies.

In addition to the above, negligent, human-caused fires resulted in damages of excess of \$30,000 in FY05, \$2,000,000 in FY06, and \$40,000 in FY07.

PLANNED WORKED FOR 2008

Through an agreement, Burns District Law Enforcement will use Harney County Sheriff's Office for specific BLM patrols. This agreement will go through September 2008. Also, specific enforcement activities have been targeted in the CMPA and Alvord Desert WSA. The focus in these areas will be OHV incursions.

WILD HORSE AND BURRO PROGRAM



Photo WH-1. South Steens Red Pinto Foal with Mare

Burns District is the lead office for Oregon and Washington's wild horse adoption and population management program. The District manages eight HMAs and provides support for the management of an additional 11 HMAs located in Lakeview, Vale, and Prineville Districts. In addition, one herd is managed by Ochoco National Forest near Prineville and a second near Dayville is managed jointly by Prineville BLM District and Malheur National Forest.

In FY04 approximately 3,169 horses were on the range in Oregon's 21 HMAs compared to 2,082 in FY05, 2,490 in FY06, and 2,569 in FY07. Each HMA is gathered every 3-5 years, depending on range conditions and population numbers determined by range studies and periodic census flights. In FY04 Burns District removed 785 horses from their HMAs compared to 891 in FY05, 423 in FY06, and 283 in FY07. Gathered excess animals are available

to qualified adopters at Burns Wild Horse Facility and various adoption events in Oregon and Washington. Burros from the southwest are also available at some of the adoption events. Animals are also available to adopters through the "Walk Up" appointments at the Burns Corral Facility for the minimum adoption fee of \$125 per animal. In FY04 the Bureau placed 455 animals in adoptive homes during nine adoption events in Oregon and Washington and the remaining excess animals (397) were transferred to other adoption events in other states and/or to long-term holding facilities. In FY05, 309 animals were placed in adoptive homes. In FY06, 283 animals were placed and 159 in FY07.

Burns District established a pre- and post-adoption program where BLM will partner with other individuals and universities to present two programs to adopters. The pre-adoption program consists of presentations of how much money and time are required for horse maintenance, horse physiology and training demonstrations. Post-adoption clinics have adopters bring their adopted horses to the event and trainers teach them how to address their training problems. Three classes were held as follows: 1) March 18 and 19, 2006 - "Help for Horses and Owners": Shelton, Washington; 2) April 4-6, 2007 - "TAME" (Teaching and Achieving Mustang Excellence) Prineville, Oregon; and 3) August 25 and 26, 2007 - "TAME II", Redmond, Oregon. Both TAME clinics were co-sponsored by BLM, Central Oregon Wild Horse Coalition and USFS, Ochoco National Forest.

Prineville District has established a living animal display program with High Desert Museum located in Bend, Oregon. The BLM brings two animals to the museum each year and trainers work with these animals during the year giving training demonstrations at the museum. At the end of the year, horses are saddle broke and High Desert Museum hosts an adoption for these animals. Prineville District is developing partnerships with advocacy groups in central Oregon to assist in compliance and placement of animals in adoptive homes.

In addition, in 2006 and 2007 the Burns District Wild Horse and Burro Program continued expansion of a network of volunteers to support compliance and adoption facets of the program. In an effort to maximize success of adoptions, outreach efforts to Oregon and Washington horse trainers experienced and available to work with

mustangs were conducted. A new trainer list was created and made available to past and future adopters.

In November 2007, the Kiger Adoption Event was held drawing interested adopters from 21 states. A total of 106 horses were adopted with two high-bids for Kigers of \$7,800 and \$7,400. Oregon horses found new homes in Washington, Idaho, California, South Dakota, Wyoming, Illinois, Tennessee, Georgia, Texas, Arizona, Colorado, Kansas, Missouri and of course, Oregon.

Oregon's Wild Horse Corral Facility received a considerable overhaul in summer 2007. With the original facility construction taking place in the late 1970s and early 1980s, the water and corral systems have slowly deteriorated over the years and needed replacing. The list of long-overdue upgrades included self-watering troughs, new water lines and electricity for heat to each trough, a new 10,000-gallon water storage tank, an evaporation pond to collect water runoff, and approximately 6,000 feet of steel posts and panels for pens and alleyways.

Installation of a "TUB" system for sorting and handling the mustangs was another big improvement. The purposes of the "TUB" are to (1) minimize stress to the animals and stock people (us!) while handling, and (2) reduce the number of people required to handle and sort the animals. The handling and sorting facility consists of a circular tub connected to a chute leading to the "processing area" where animals are freeze-marked, vaccinated, aged, etc. Horses enter the circular tub and centrally pivoted swinging gates rotate and slowly push the animals through the chute for processing. The chute is angled to encourage animal flow and has capacity to facilitate all sizes of horses from weanlings to older studs.

The remodel was long over-due and has since provided a safer working environment, longer-lasting facility structure, increased operational efficiency and reduced costs to taxpayers.

PLANNED WORK FOR FY08

The Burns District plans to remove approximately 803 horses in highest priority areas to be determined through assessment of AML priorities and drought conditions. Adoptions, pre- and post adoption clinics, volunteer contributions and the High Desert Museum partnership will continue.

Information about the Wild Horse Program is available through the internet at the following sites:

National Wild Horse and Burro Web Page: <http://www.blm.gov/whb>

Burns District Home Page: <http://www.blm.gov/or/districts/burns/wildhorse/index.php>

Adoption applications and information may also be obtained by calling the Burns District Office at (541) 573-4400.

VOLUNTEERS AND OUTREACH

ACCOMPLISHMENTS FOR FY04

In FY04, volunteers and hosted workers contributed almost 13,000 hours of service to public lands on the Burns District, valuing over \$220,000 worth of work.

Steens Mountain Wilderness was established by the Steens Act to protect a unique area of Oregon's high desert. Within the wilderness, and also as part of the Steens Act, a 97,000-acre section was designated as a No Livestock Grazing Area – the first Congressionally designated area of its kind within wilderness. This designation left miles and miles of barbed-fire fence in the No Livestock Grazing Area no longer needed and obsolete. With the help of several volunteer groups, miles of fence are gradually being removed and the No Livestock Grazing Area is slowly moving toward its original landscape. Fence removal projects began in 2002 and since then, several groups including ONDA, Oregon Trout, Sierra Club, Steens-Alvord Coalition, Kiger Mesteño Association, and Wilderness Volunteers have worked cooperatively and aided the BLM in removing miles and miles of old fence.

The OAS and other volunteers have contributed thousands of hours of labor to ongoing archaeological work at Burns BLM sites. The last 3 years they have participated in 4-day long archaeological surveys in the Wagontire area with OAS volunteers and BLM Archaeological Technicians. In 2004 they helped a UWM graduate student excavate at the Mortar Riddle Site on Steens Mountain. The Mortar Riddle Site is a 2,000-year old summer village that may have been used until the 1850s. Please see the Cultural Resources Programs Section for additional information. Also during summer 2004, OAS volunteers assisted the BLM Burns District Archaeologist looking for archaeological sites on Steens Mountain. They discovered prehistoric hunting camps, rock art sites, summer villages, and historic sheepherder camps. Volunteers in Archaeology enable Burns BLM to stretch their budget dollars and accomplish far more projects than anticipated 5 years ago.

Campground hosts on Burns District gave over 4,000 volunteer hours to the recreation program this year. Hosts worked at various sites across the District including Page Springs, South Steens, and Fish Lake Campgrounds and Riddle Brothers Ranch on Steens Mountain and Chickahominy Reservoir Campground near Riley, Oregon. Hosts provided visitors with information about Burns District, helped BLM personnel with campground maintenance and visitor compliance, and even gave travelers late night entertainment by the campfire light and early morning coffee on occasion!

Partnering with the OHA, ODFW, and RMEF, BLM was able to build a large wildlife guzzler at Egli Ridge in FY04. In the spring, BLM and ODFW employees installed two Boss Dome Top Guzzlers, which capture rainwater and deposit it into a 1,800-gallon storage tanks. Each has a 3-foot-square drinker hole in one corner that allows water to percolate in through slits but minimizes evaporation from the main tank. Shortly after tank installation, 14 members of the Harney County Chapters of the RMEF and OHA volunteered their time and effort to finish the project. They spent a Saturday installing two, 10-foot by 30-foot water-catchment aprons and a 4-acre cattle enclosure fence. Although the guzzler was established primarily for big game species such as elk, mule deer, and antelope, small game and nongame species will benefit as well. The guzzler should encourage big game herds to stay on public land in the area, where in the past they were forced onto private land for water.

Members from the Wilderness Volunteers group completed the final volunteer project on Burns District for FY04 with a celebration of National Public Lands Day on Steens Mountain. The group honored the day by stabilizing the Riddle Brothers Ranch Willow Corral and rehabilitating a buck and pole fence in Big Indian Gorge. The willow corrals at Riddle Brothers Ranch National Historic District have been standing for at least 80 years and were still in remarkably good shape due to our dry, high desert climate. Parts had fallen over and other sections were leaning a bit. The volunteers were able to lift the fallen parts, realign the crooked parts, and reinforce everything with wire and reused, old fenceposts salvaged on the Steens. The group was incredibly organized and motivated and was able to repair the Willow Corral in just 4 hours and rehabilitate the buck and pole fence in less than 2 days!



Photo EO-1. Big Indian Gorge.

Other volunteer projects that occurred over the year in Burns District included riparian work and several activities in the Wild Horse and Burro Program.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS FOR FY05

In FY05 volunteers and hosted workers contributed over 14,000 hours of service to public lands on the Burns District, valuing almost \$250,000 worth of work.

Eight separate volunteer work parties accomplished a variety of projects in Steens Mountain Wilderness including 6.5 miles of fence removal (34,000 linear feet of fence and 1,700 posts), 3 miles of trail maintenance, and maintenance of portions of the No Livestock Grazing Area boundary fence. Volunteer groups participating in work

projects in wilderness included: Backcountry Horsemen of Oregon, Burns Llama Trailblazers, Wilderness Volunteers (national), Sierra Club (national and local), Reed College and ONDA. These groups worked on fence removal and No Livestock Grazing Area boundary fence repair projects. American Hiking Society (national) completed

trail maintenance on a portion of the lower end of Little Blitzen Trail, and a contract was awarded to Warren Matthews of Harney County Mule Company to pack out a portion of removed fence materials from Ankle Creek Basin.

In the recreation program, campground hosts gave over 4,700 hours of volunteer service. Hosts worked at various sites across the District including Page Springs, South Steens, and Fish Lake Campgrounds and Riddle Brothers Ranch on Steens Mountain and Chickahominy Reservoir Campground near Riley, Oregon.

A 5-week excavation at a 2,000-year-old summer village on Steens Mountain brought many volunteers into the cultural resources program in FY05. The Mortar Riddle Site project resulted from a cost-share agreement between OAS, UWM and BLM and facilitated 1,200 hours of volunteer service. During excavation in FY04 and FY05, volunteers uncovered many types of artifacts including an incised marmot tooth gaming piece, a 19th century military button, a stone pipe, obsidian arrow and atlatl points, and a perforated bone pendant. Please see the Cultural Resources Programs Section for additional information.

Focused recruiting for volunteers in the Wild Horse and Burro Program reaped over 1,800 hours of service in FY05. Eight dedicated volunteers were very active forming an enthusiastic support group who donated their time, energy and specific skills to benefit wild horses. Volunteers proved to be the true believers of the value of the American Mustang - mentoring new adopters, giving foster care to orphaned foals and horses that need to be reassigned, helping at adoption events, doing compliance checks, and even opening their own stables to 'just-one-more' wild horse desperately in need of a home – all making a tremendous impact on the success of the Wild Horse and Burro Program.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS FOR FY06

In FY06 volunteers and hosted workers contributed over 16,000 hours of service to public lands on the Burns District, valuing over \$291,000 worth of work.

Nine volunteer work parties (six for ONDA, two for Sierra Club, and one for the Wilderness Volunteers) accomplished a variety of projects on Steens Mountain including 10.75 miles of fence removal and rolling another 3 miles of already downed fence. Fence removal will become more difficult and time-consuming from this point on due to remoteness of existing fences.

In the recreation program, campground hosts gave over 7,000 hours of volunteer service. Hosts worked at various sites across the District including Page Springs and South Steens Campgrounds and Riddle Brothers Ranch on Steens Mountain and Chickahominy Reservoir Campground near Riley, Oregon.

A 6-week archaeological excavation at a 2,000-year-old summer village on Steens Mountain brought more volunteers into the cultural resources program in FY06. Excavation blocks, started in summer 2004, were completed this year, bringing the archaeological excavation at the site to a close. The data analysis and writing will result in two Ph.D. dissertations and one master's thesis. The Mortar Riddle Site project was the focus of a segment of "Oregon Field Guide," a television program produced and shown by Oregon Public Broadcasting. This project resulted from a cost-share agreement between OAS, UWM and BLM and facilitated 2,512 hours of volunteer service. Please see the Cultural Resources Programs Section for additional information.

For the second year in a row, the Wild Horse and Burro Program showed considerable service with 2,500 hours of service in FY06, more than Burns District has ever recorded in that program. Approximately 13 dedicated volunteers were very active throughout the year in this program.

ACCOMPLISHMENT FOR FY07

In FY 2007 volunteers and hosted workers contributed over 13,000 hours of service to public lands on the Burns District, valuing over \$244,000 worth of work.

Volunteers for Oregon/Washington's Wild Horse and Burro Program continue to increase in numbers and service hours. In FY07, 35 volunteers contributed over 2,500 hours to America's Living Legends. Special efforts made and appreciated this year include orphan care, help at the Kiger Mustang adoption, event promotion, training and gentling, and adoption support.

Every year for about the last 6 years an OAS member and a Burns BLM employee have organized an archaeological survey during June for OAS members and local volunteers. Volunteers have a chance to be on a BLM archaeological survey and see how we do things. This summer (Clovis Quest 2007) we again focused on areas where we expected to find artifacts and sites as old as 12,000 years, particularly Clovis spear points. Please see the Cultural Resources Programs Section for additional information.

The U of O Field School and OAS volunteers spent three hot weeks in July mapping and test excavating the deposits at Sage Hen Gap. The intensive mapping and test excavations at the site enabled a Ph.D. of the U of O to determine where hot spots of prehistoric activity have occurred and depth of ancient buried deposits. Please see the Cultural Resources Programs Section for additional information.

Meanwhile, during July and August, the final season of excavation at Mortar Riddle Site on Steens Mountain was completed by graduate students from the UWM. They were assisted by many returning and some new volunteers, mostly from OAS. The 6 weeks of excavation revealed the remnants of wickiup-like structural remains and complete exposure of buried hearths and work areas at this 2,000-year-old camp. The crew from UWM returned to Milwaukee with enough artifacts and data to keep them busy for the next 9 months. The data analysis and writing will result in two Ph.D. dissertations and one master's thesis.

The largest portion of recreation-related volunteer service for Burns District comes through our campground hosting program. In FY07, volunteer hosts gave over 5,300 hours of service, nearing almost \$100,000 in value-of-work. Hosts served at various sites across the District including Page Springs Campground and Riddle Brothers Ranch on Steens Mountain and Chickahominy Reservoir Campground near Riley, Oregon.

The ONDA led the way once again, contributing 33 volunteers and 1,167 hours of service to BLM through the Burns District Office Wilderness program. All hours contributed by ONDA were spent removing unneeded fence in Steens Mountain Wilderness - handling/rolling barbed wire and removing/stacking fenceposts in rough terrain and varying climates...including wildfire! Sierra Club also took in a single fence removal trip for 224 hours while Trout Unlimited spent time in Steens Wilderness completing trail maintenance along Donner und Blitzen River. Overall wilderness volunteers provided over \$28,000 worth of work to the agency and removed 3.5 miles of fence and maintained 5 miles of trail.

COOPERATIVE MANAGEMENT AGREEMENTS

Cooperative Management Agreements (CMA) are provided for in the Steens Act and many are currently in effect such as the CMA with ONDA. Since 2003, ONDA continues to bring volunteer parties into Steens Wilderness under a CMA to roll up unneeded wire as described above. Otley Brothers Ranch provided an easement and constructed and maintains the Kiger Gorge portion of the No Livestock Grazing boundary fence. This particular agreement began in September 2003 and continued through December 2007. In 2005, the BLM entered into an agreement with Steens Mountain Resort for the purpose of allowing mutual assistance to users of Steens Mountain to access the snowline for cross-country skiing, snowshoeing, and other nonmotorized activities as well as issue snowmobile permits. In FY06, ONDA entered into another CMA with BLM to cooperatively and collaboratively treat unnatural expansion of juniper into important habitats on public lands within the CMPA. In addition to ONDA, various ranchers have agreements with BLM to collaborate on juniper fuels treatments. After years of negotiations, a CMA was signed in FY07 between BLM and a Steens Mountain landowner for use of private lands within the CMPA for public users. Additional work to reduce recreation-caused erosion and road damage on this private parcel is ongoing. A CMA to establish a relationship and standards of communication between Steens Mountain Landowner's Group and BLM was signed in FY07.

Additional opportunities to enhance recreation on public and adjacent private lands are under consideration.

PLANNED WORK FOR FY08

In FY08, volunteers are likely to continue work on fence removal in Steens Mountain Wilderness, serve as campground hosts, provide office support, and support projects in the District's Cultural, Weed, and Wildlife programs. Come join us!

BURNS DISTRICT RANGELAND PROGRAM SUMMARY

The purpose for the Rangeland Program Summary is to outline the progress being made in implementing the rangeland management objectives of each resource as identified in current land use plans.

Since 1998, the District has been on a 10-year schedule to complete NEPA analyses on all 10-year grazing permits and leases, and to do an assessment of each allotment to see if they are in conformance with the "Standards for Rangeland Health and Guidelines for Livestock Grazing Management for Public Lands in Oregon/ Washington (dated August 12, 1997)" (Standards and Guidelines). In accordance with regulations (43 CFR 4180), if these assessments identify one or more of the five standards not being met, appropriate action is taken that will result in progress toward achieving these Standards and Guidelines.

Due to workload, it is not possible to complete an assessment of Standards and Guidelines for each allotment as the term permit expires. Therefore, the District process has been to do assessments on a priority schedule. If necessary, the permit may be reissued prior to the assessment under the Appropriations Act and/or the Administrative Procedure Act [USC 558 (c)] with the condition it may be modified later to add conditions or management changes to ensure progress toward meeting the standard(s) not achieved.

During FY04 to FY07 the District completed Standards and Guidelines assessments on 84 allotments (1,539,269 acres). Twenty-four (24) of these allotments did not achieve standards due to the following factors: 11 to livestock, 1 to wildfire, 3 to medusahead invasion, 3 to juniper encroachment, 3 to historic grazing practices, 1 to mining, 1 to logging, and 1 to irrigation. Since 1998, the District has completed a total of 242 allotment assessments (approximately 83 percent) on 2,736,211 acres.

THREE RIVERS RESOURCE AREA - Fiscal Years 2004-2007

Allotment Number	Name	Category	Implementation Progress
0001	Malheur Lake	M	Term Permit Renewal #3602321 was processed under NEPA during FY07.
0046	East Wagonfire Fenced Federal Range (FFR)	C	Standards and Guidelines were assessed in FY07. All Standards were achieved and grazing management practices conformed to Guidelines.
2246	Camp Curry FFR	C	Standards and Guidelines were assessed in FY07. All Standards were achieved and grazing management practices conformed to Guidelines.
4097	Trout Creek	I	A rangeland evaluation and assessment of Standards and Guidelines were completed during FY07. Allotment management conformed to all Guidelines. Standards were achieved except for the Watershed Function - Riparian/Wetland Areas Standard for Lost Creek. Current livestock management was not a causal factor. Evaluation determined management objectives were being achieved except in Camp Creek Pasture. A change to deferred use in this pasture was recommended.
4126	Abraham's Draw	C	Term Permit Renewal #3600118 was processed under NEPA in FY07.
4143	Silvies	I	See Planned Work for FY08.
5101	Devine Ridge	M	Term Permit Renewal #3602343 was processed under NEPA in FY07.
5102	Prather Creek	M	Term Permit Renewal #3602343 was processed under NEPA in FY07
5103	Lime Kiln	M	In FY04, 246 acres of juniper were piled and burned as a Hazardous Fuels Reduction Project.
5105	Camp Harney	M	One cattleguard was installed on the forest boundary fence in FY05. Term Permit Renewal #3602276 was processed under NEPA during FY07.
5202	Hunter	M	Term Permit Renewal #3600190 was processed under NEPA in FY04.
5203	Catterson	C	Term Permit Renewal #3600190 was processed under NEPA in FY04.
5206	Stockade FFR	C	Standards and Guidelines were assessed in FY04. All Standards were achieved and grazing management practices conformed to Guidelines.
5217	Thompson FFR	C	Standards and Guidelines were assessed in FY04. All Standards were achieved and grazing management practices conformed to Guidelines. Term Permit Renewal #3602321 was processed under NEPA in FY07.
5218	Bennett FFR	C	Term Permit Renewal #3602274 was processed under NEPA in FY06.
5221	West Davies	I	An allotment management evaluation was conducted in FY04. Results indicate objectives identified in the 1993 AMP were achieved. Monitoring indicates a downward trend in Quier Pasture and a stable trend in Luper Pasture. Standards for Rangeland Health for Ecological Processes and Native, T&E, and Locally Important Species were achieved. The Standard for Water Function – Uplands was partially achieved and Water Function – Riparian/Wetland Areas and Water Quality were not applicable. The evaluation recommended revising the AMP and incorporating a new grazing system that improves the health of the allotment. An AMP was prepared to incorporate the recommendations and a grazing system was designed. Key forage species and utilization levels were identified for each pasture.
5223	East Davies	I	An allotment management evaluation was conducted in FY04. Results indicate objectives identified in the 1993 AMP were achieved or partially achieved. Standards for Rangeland Health for Water Function – Uplands, Ecological Processes and Native, T&E, and Locally Important Species were achieved in the Reservoir and Balkan Basin Pastures. Lower Pasture is not achieving Standards for Water Function – Uplands, Ecological Processes, and Native, T&E, and Locally Important Species. Watershed function – Riparian/Wetland Areas and Water Quality were not applicable. The evaluation recommended revising the AMP incorporating a new grazing system that improves the Lower Pasture and overall health of the allotment. An AMP was prepared to incorporate the recommendations and a new grazing system was designed to meet objectives. Key forage species and utilization levels were identified for each pasture.

5301	Princeton	M	In FY06, following a wildfire within the Northwest Pasture in the summer of 2005, 262 acres were seeded to perennial grasses and native forbs to stabilize the site to prevent soil erosion and prevent establishment of cheatgrass. A protective fence was also constructed to exclude the seeded area from livestock grazing for two growing seasons. Also, in FY06 a prescribed fire was conducted on 320 acres within the Black Ridge Pasture. This area was seeded to perennial grasses following the prescribed burn. Black Ridge Pasture will be rested for two growing seasons or longer, if necessary, to ensure the seeding becomes established.
5302	Big Bird	M	Portions of North Pasture were treated with a brush beater in FY05 to control reestablishment of sagebrush within the seeded pasture. This project was designed to stimulate seeded grass plants being suppressed by sagebrush. This project will increase livestock forage and improve habitat for the long-billed curlew.
5303	Dry Lake	M	Term Permit Renewal #3600190 was processed under NEPA in FY04. Term Permit Renewal #3602280 was analyzed in an EA in FY06 with public review. Also in FY06 two old troughs were replaced along the pipeline within Craters Pasture and a temporary fence constructed at the south end of Hamilton Pasture where the Craters Fire (wildfire) crossed the allotment. This area was also seeded with crested wheatgrass. The fence will be removed once the seeding is established. In FY07, an extension was made to Square Butte Well Pipeline within West Square Butte Pasture. The pipeline extension moved the existing trough, which is generally a livestock congregation area, further away from the gate to relieve pressure. In FY07 the trough on the southwest side of West Square Butte Pasture on Crow's Nest Pipeline was replaced. In FY07 upland trend data using the Pace 180° method was conducted.
5305	Crow's Nest	M	In FY06 a formal allotment evaluation and Standards and Guidelines were completed. Results indicate allotment-specific resource objectives identified in the 1999 AMP had been achieved. Standards for Rangeland Health were determined to be achieved or not present and unknown for Native, T&E and Locally Important Species - long-billed curlew. Grazing management was not in conformance with Guidelines for Livestock Grazing Management because periodic growing season rest had not been provided in either pasture. However, permitted season of use (04/15 – 07/15) did not allow for a rest during the growing season. Recommendations were made to extend the permitted season of use to allow for a defer treatment (use after seed set) and recommendations for adjustments in grazing management were also made. In FY06 the Crow's Nest AMP was revised to incorporate the recommendations from the 2006 allotment evaluation. The AMP also implemented a permitted season of use of March 1 through October 15, which allows flexibility in grazing management to continue achieving resource objectives. Also in FY06 upland trend data collection using the Pace 180° method was conducted.
5306	Rocky Ford		An allotment management evaluation was conducted in FY06. Results indicate the system outlined in the AMP has generally been followed. Photo points had been established in 1981, permanent trend transects were not established until 2006 (a transect was established in the Swamp Creek Pasture in 1991, but not read until 2006). Photo analysis and overall data indicate the allotment is in a stable trend in rangeland condition. Resource objectives identified in the AMP have been achieved. Assessment of Standards and Guidelines found all Standards were achieved and grazing management practices conformed to Guidelines. The evaluation recommended continuing operating under the current grazing system with current stocking levels.

5309	Happy Valley	I	Skidoo Spring and overflow were fenced, two reservoirs were cleaned, and approximately 200+ acres of juniper were cut near Frog Creek to release brush, grass and forbs in FY04. An allotment management evaluation was conducted in FY05. Results indicate resource objectives identified in the 1996 AMP are being achieved over a majority of the allotment. However, the objective for maintaining good condition crested wheatgrass seedings was not achieved. Upland trend was determined to be stable to downward over a greater part of the allotment. Assessment of Standards for Rangeland Health found two Standards were achieved. Ecological Processes, Water Quality, and Native, T&E, and Locally Important Species - redband trout were not achieved. Livestock were a causal factor in not achieving the Ecological Processes Standard together with juniper encroachment, prescribed fire, and age of the crested wheatgrass seedings. The 2005 allotment evaluation recommends a new grazing system that will initiate moving toward meeting those Standards not achieved due to livestock and conforming to Guidelines. Stocking levels remained the same. Additional recommendations include maintenance of existing crested wheatgrass seedings, juniper management projects, management of wild horse AUMs closer to those allocated in the RMP, and treatment of noxious weeds using the most appropriate methods. Due to resource concerns within this allotment, the evaluation recommended changing the management category to an "I". A trend plot was established in Deep Creek Pasture.
5310	Riddle Mountain	I	Approximately 311 acres of juniper were cut in FY04 in the Paul Creek Pasture on private and public lands to release brush, grass, and forbs. In FY06 Term Permit Renewal #3602305 was analyzed in an EA with public review. In FY06 upland trend data collection using the Pace 180° method was conducted.
5316	Virginia Valley	M	In FY04, 4 miles of pipeline and 3 troughs were replaced. Term Permit Renewal #3602367 was processed under NEPA in FY05.
5317	Hatt Butte FFR	C	Standards and Guidelines were assessed in FY04. All Standards present were achieved and grazing management practices conformed to Guidelines.
5325	North Lake FFR	C	Term Permit Renewal #3602280 was analyzed in an EA in FY06 with public review.
5327	Jenkins B Flat FFR	C	Term Permit Renewal #3602280 was analyzed in an EA in FY06. Following public review a proposed decision was not issued.
5329	Riddle/Coyote	I	In FY07 upland trend data collection using the Pace 180° method was conducted.
5331	Smyth/Kiger	I	An allotment management evaluation was completed in FY04. Results indicate present grazing management conforms to Guidelines for Livestock Management. The following Standards for Rangeland Health were achieved: Watershed Function – Uplands, Ecological Processes - Upland, and Native, T&E and Locally Important Species - greater sage-grouse. Standards for Watershed Function - Riparian/Wetland Areas, Ecological Processes - Riparian, Water Quality, and for Native, T&E and Locally Important Species - redband trout, Malheur mottled sculpin and possibly spotted frog were not achieved. Livestock and wild horses were determined to be causal factors. Recommendations include a change in grazing treatments, new monitoring to include three new greenline transects, six additional photo points, 6.75 miles of fence line changes, 18 reservoir cleanouts and 4,800 acres of western juniper control.
5502	Rock Creek	M	Term Permit Renewal #3600253 was processed under NEPA in FY06.
5503	Pine Creek	I	The 3.5-mile Wildcat fence was completed in late May of 2004. This fence will implement a riparian management system along Pine Creek. The fence was completed in cooperation with the landowner and Harney County Soil and Water Conservation District. An allotment evaluation was conducted in FY05. Results indicate not all objectives identified in the 1998 AMP were achieved. The grazing system developed in the AMP did not provide adequate growing season rest in Oard Flat and Pine Creek Pastures. A new grazing system was recommended. Standards for Rangeland Health for Water Function – Uplands and Ecological Processes were achieved. The Native, T&E, and Locally Important Species Standard for ravens lomatium, goshawk, sage-grouse, and biscuitroot were achieved, and not achieved for redband trout with livestock being a causal factor. Watershed Function Riparian/Wetland Standard was achieved on Little Pine Creek and not achieved on Pine Creek with livestock as a causal factor. The Water Quality Standard was not achieved on both Pine and Little Pine Creeks with livestock as a causal factor. A riparian pasture, including Pine Creek, was recommended to achieve the Standards. There were three cattleguards installed in FY05.

5504	State Field	M	Two cattleguards were installed on the north and south allotment boundaries in FY04. Term Permit Renewal #3602320 was processed under NEPA in FY07.
5506	Muddy Creek	I	During fall 2003, Four Corner Spring reconstruction was completed. The spring source was reestablished and fenced, new pipe was laid and a water trough was replaced. This reconstruction project was needed to ensure proper distribution of livestock and to provide water for wildlife.
5507	Wolf Creek	M	An allotment management evaluation was conducted in FY07. Results indicate resource objectives outlined in the 1983 AMP were achieved within the allotment. It was determined from rangeland trend studies the long-term trend in condition was stable. All Standards for Rangeland Health present were achieved during the evaluation period and grazing management conforms to Guidelines for Livestock Grazing Management.
5509	Williams Dripp	M	The reservoir at the bottom of Williams Dripp Springs drainage was reconstructed in FY04 and the riparian area above the reservoir fenced from livestock use.
5510	Jones Dripp	M	The Dripp Springs drainage riparian area was fenced and excluded from livestock grazing in 2004 with a pipeline and trough installed for offsite water in 2005. This resolved livestock as a causal factor in not achieving Riparian and Water Quality Standards in the past. The AMP was revised in FY05 to incorporate recommendations and resource concerns from the 2005 evaluation amendment to the 2001 allotment evaluation. A graze/defer grazing system was designed to ensure multiple-use objectives and Standards for Rangeland Health are achieved in the future. Key forage species and utilization levels were identified. In FY06 a new trend plot was established and data was collected on both plots.
5511	Moffet Table	I	A small gap fence was constructed between Bluebucket and Moffet Table Pastures to block livestock access to Bluebucket Creek. This project will ensure resource objectives established on Bluebucket Creek can be achieved.
5512	Clarks River FFR	C	Term Permit Renewal #3602263 was processed under NEPA in FY05.
5513	Shelley	I	See Planned Work for FY08.
5514	Coal Mine Creek	I	Term Permit Renewal #3602353 was processed under NEPA during FY04. Term Permit Renewal #3602264 was processed under NEPA during FY06.
5515	Mule Creek	I	See Planned Work for FY08.
5516	Birch Creek	M	An allotment management evaluation was conducted in FY04. Results indicate resource objectives identified in the AMP are being achieved. Trend was found to be stable. Standards for Water Function - Uplands, Ecological Processes, and Native, T&E, and Locally Important Species were achieved. Standards for Water Function - Riparian/Wetland Areas and Water Quality were not present. The grazing system conforms to Guidelines for Livestock Grazing Management.
5522	Cottonwood Creek	M	An allotment management evaluation was conducted in FY06. Results indicate resource objectives identified in the 1994 AMP are being achieved with only one exception on 0.2-mile of Cottonwood Creek in Palmer Pasture. To ensure the objective would be achieved in the future, an enclosure was extended within Palmer Pasture to include the 0.2-mile of affected creek. This area was fenced from livestock use in FY07 before livestock were turned out in the spring. Achievement of Standards for Rangeland Health was also analyzed and results are as follows: Watershed Function – Upland was achieved; Watershed Function – Riparian/Wetland Areas was achieved within the Enclosure and Creek-Reservoir Pastures and not achieved in the Cottonwood-Palmer Pasture with livestock as a causal factor; Ecological Processes was achieved; Water Quality was not achieved with livestock not being a causal factor in the Enclosure and Creek-Reservoir Pastures and livestock being a causal factor in Cottonwood-Palmer Pasture; and Native, T&E, and Locally Important Species was not achieved for redband trout within Enclosure and Creek-Reservoir Pastures with livestock not being the causal factor and not achieved in Cottonwood-Palmer Pasture with livestock as a causal factor. This Standard was also achieved for sage-grouse and bald eagle. Grazing management was determined to be in conformance with Guidelines for Livestock Grazing Management because of the rotational grazing system allowing half of the allotment to be deferred each year.
5523	Tub Springs/Hart	I	In FY04 Box Springs was reconstructed by the permittee.
5524	Dawson Butte	I	See Planned Work for FY08.

5525	Mill Gulch	M	An allotment management evaluation was conducted in FY07. Results indicate resource objectives identified in the 1994 AMP are being achieved. Rangeland trend analysis on uplands determined trend was stable for each key area. Within Mill Gulch Pasture, riparian areas are in an upward trend which is attributed to the season of use within the pasture. Standards for Rangeland Health were assessed and all Standards were achieved. Grazing management was determined to be in conformance with Guidelines for Livestock Grazing Management.
5526	Chalk Hills	M	An allotment management evaluation was conducted in FY06. Results indicate resource objectives identified in the 1994 AMP are being achieved. Rangeland trend analysis indicates the allotment is in a stable to improving trend. Achievement of Standards for Rangeland Health was also analyzed and achieved except the Native, T&E, and Locally Important Species Standard was not achieved. Livestock were determined not be a casual factor. Grazing management was determined to be in conformance with Guidelines for Livestock Grazing Management because pastures were rotated to provide for growing season deferral on a regular basis in all pastures.
5529	House Butte	M	Term Permit Renewal #3602353 was processed under NEPA in FY04.
5530	River	I	An allotment management evaluation was conducted in FY04. Results indicate the system outlined in the AMP has not necessarily been followed, but documentation of ID team recommendations to change use dates were analyzed. Overall riparian trend using current grazing treatment has been upward. Resource objectives identified in the AMP found two of the four objectives were achieved. Objectives were not achieved in Carey Tables and Lake Pastures because range condition was in a stable to downward direction of trend. Management actions for all pastures are following Guidelines for Livestock Grazing Management by providing periodic rest for rangeland vegetation. Lake Pasture also did not meet its riparian habitat objective because analysis resulted in a downward trend. Currently, an experimental grazing management system is in place to assist in developing a system to provide mostly early season of use as well as rest in Lake Pasture. This would provide riparian vegetation with adequate time for regrowth. Assessment of Standards for Rangeland Health found two of the five Standards were being achieved completely. The Standard for Watershed Function - Riparian/Wetland Area was achieved in the River Pasture, but not achieved in Lake Pasture with livestock being a causal factor. The Water Quality Standard was not achieved with livestock not a causal factor in River Pasture and livestock being a causal factor in Lake Pasture. The Native, T&E, and Locally Important Species Standard was not achieved for redband trout with livestock being a causal factor in Lake Pasture. The evaluation recommends fencing the potential riparian portions of Lake Pasture, continuing the current grazing system, and removing all wild horses. The fencing project has been designed but postponed until the experimental grazing system can be tested.
5531	Stinkingwater	I	Two springs were developed in FY04. A rangeland evaluation and assessment of Standards and Guidelines was completed in FY07. Standards for Rangeland Health for Watershed Function - Riparian/Wetland Areas and Water Quality were not achieved with livestock being a causal factor. Livestock grazing management was not in conformance with Guidelines due to lack of periodic rest and timing of grazing. The allotment objective for riparian management was also not achieved. Riparian grazing was changed to early use to provide management that would meet objectives, achieve Standards and conform to Guidelines.

5532	Mountain	I	An allotment management evaluation was conducted in FY04. Results indicate not all objectives identified in the 1998 AMP are being achieved. The grazing system from the AMP stated to use one bunch of cattle and rotate them through the pastures. This system was used for one year and then abandon. The permittees went back to running the cattle in two groups. A new grazing system was recommended in the evaluation. Standards for Rangeland Health for Water Function – Uplands, Ecological Processes and Native, T&E, and Locally Important Species were achieved. Watershed Function - Riparian/Wetland Areas was achieved on Warm Springs and Stinkingwater Creeks. The upper portion of Stinkingwater Creek did not meet Standards and livestock were determined to be a causal factor. A fenced riparian area is proposed. Water Quality was not achieved on Warm Springs or Stinkingwater Creeks. Livestock were not a causal factor. The ¾ mile of Stinkingwater Creek did not meet Standards and livestock was a causal factor (fencing of a riparian area will take place). An additional 600 acres of juniper were cut at the head of Stinkingwater and Little Stinkingwater Creeks. The headbox and trough were replaced at Bootleg Spring. In FY07 an AMP/EA was completed analyzing grazing management to achieve Standards for Rangeland Health and conform with Guidelines for Livestock Grazing Management while meeting resource objectives. The EA completed public review and a Proposed Decision was issued which became final. Management and fencing outlined in the decision will be implemented as funding becomes available.
5533	Buchanan	M	An allotment management evaluation was conducted in FY07. Results indicate resource objectives identified in the 1983 AMP are being achieved. Rangeland trend analysis indicates the allotment is in a stable trend. Achievement of Standards for Rangeland Health was also analyzed and results are as follows. Watershed Function – Upland was achieved; Watershed Function – Riparian/Wetland Areas was not present; Ecological Processes was achieved; Water Quality was not present; and Native, T&E, and Locally Important Species was achieved. Grazing management was determined to be in conformance with Guidelines for Livestock Grazing Management because pastures were either used to provide for growing season rest or deferral on a regular basis in all pastures.
5534	Mahon Creek		In FY04, 120 acres of juniper were cut along Mahon Creek between Mahon Creek and Miller Canyon Allotments. An allotment evaluation was conducted in FY05. Results indicate objectives identified in the 1994 AMP were achieved. Standards for Rangeland Health were assessed and the Water Function - Riparian/Wetland Areas and Water Quality Standards were achieved. Watershed Function - Uplands, Ecological Processes, Native, T&E, and Locally Important Species Standards (sage-grouse) were not achieved due to drought and juniper encroachment. Ecological restoration using a combination of prescribed burning methods was recommended for Mahon Creek Allotment.
5535	Miller Canyon		In FY04, 120 acres of juniper were cut along Mahon Creek between Mahon Creek and Miller Canyon Allotments. There were approximately 2,253 acres of juniper cut in Miller Canyon Allotment in FY05 associated with Miller Canyon/Mahon Creek Prescribed Burning Project. A combination of selective cutting and clear cutting was used. Areas selectively cut will be treated in preparation for a broadcast burn, and those areas clear cut will be jackpot burned. In FY05 an allotment evaluation was conducted. Results indicate all objectives identified in the 1994 AMP are not being achieved due to juniper encroachment and drought. The following Standards for Rangeland Health were not achieved in Miller Canyon Allotment due to drought and juniper encroachment; Watershed Function - Upland and Riparian/Wetland Areas, Ecological Processes, and Native, T&E, and Locally Important Species (sage-grouse). Ecological restoration using a combination of prescribed burning methods was recommended for Miller Canyon Allotment.
5536	Alder Creek	I	Approximately 100 acres of juniper were cut in Coleman Creek Pasture in FY04 to release brush, grass and forbs. Under a Cooperative Agreement, bentonite was distributed to the permittee to be applied in Butterweed Reservoir to seal the reservoir bottom. Term Permit Renewal #3602328 was processed under NEPA in FY05. In FY07 Alder Creek Aspen Enclosures were constructed by contract to prevent livestock and elk use in these aspen stands treated during prescribed jackpot burning to remove down juniper. In FY07 upland trend data collection using the Pace 180° method was conducted.

5537	Buck Mountain	M	Term Permit Renewal #3600190 was processed under NEPA in FY04. In FY06 a formal allotment evaluation was completed. Results indicate allotment specific resources objectives identified in the 1999 AMP were achieved with the exception of Stockade Creek which was unknown due to lack of data collected. Achievement of Standards for Rangeland Health analyzed and results are as follows: Watershed Function – Uplands was achieved; Watershed Function – Riparian/Wetland Areas was achieved on Warm Springs Creek and unknown on Stockade Creek; Ecological Processes was achieved; Water Quality was achieved on Warm Springs Creek; and Native, T&E, and Locally Important Species was not achieved for sage-grouse with livestock not a causal factor and unknown for Biddle’s lupine. Grazing management was in conformance with Guidelines for Livestock Grazing Management. Recommendations were made to adjust grazing management, develop potential water sources on the east side of Coyote Creek Pasture, and to add new cultural and riparian monitoring (Stockade Creek).
5538	Riverside	I	An allotment management evaluation was conducted in FY05. Results indicate one resource objective identified in the 1997 AMP was not being achieved due to excessive medusahead infestations. Assessment of Standards for Rangeland Health found none of the Standards are being achieved with livestock being a partial causal factor coupled with medusahead infestations. The 2005 allotment evaluation and the 2005 amendment recommended adjustments to the grazing system allowing for periodic rest of rangeland vegetation to conform to Guidelines for Grazing Management. Other recommendations included construction of a reservoir, additional range improvement projects should the reservoir not be successful, a storage tank and pipeline, flexibility in season of use, and treatment of noxious weeds using the most appropriate methods. Stocking levels remained the same. Due to the large number of resource concerns within this allotment, the evaluation recommended changing the management category to an “I.” In FY06 a permit transfer for Riverside Allotment occurred. A new trend plot was established in Reservoir Pasture. An AMP/EA was completed and signed in FY07. The AMP proposed extending the permit from April 1 to a start date of March 1 to aid in flexibility of grazing management and help conform to Guidelines for Livestock Grazing Management. The AMP also proposed a change in grazing management to provide periodic growing season rest to each pasture. Range improvement projects included construction of Sulis Reservoir and Warm Springs Creek Enclosures. These projects were proposed to achieve Water Quality, Watershed Function - Riparian/Wetland Areas and Native, T&E and Locally Important Species Standards for Rangeland Health determined “not achieved” in the 2005 Riverside Allotment Evaluation. Sulis Reservoir and Warm Springs Creek Enclosure were constructed in FY07.
5539	Blaylock FFR	C	Term Permit Renewal #3601522 was processed under NEPA in FY07.
5540	Luce Field FFR	C	Term Permit Renewal #3601522 was processed under NEPA in FY07.
5560	West Vickers FFR	C	In FY03 Standards and Guidelines were assessed. All Standards present were achieved and grazing management practices conformed to Guidelines.
5564	Wheeler Basin	M	An allotment management evaluation was conducted in FY05. Results indicate resource objectives identified in the 1994 AMP are being achieved. Trend was found to be stable at all plots. Standards for Rangeland Health for Water Function - Uplands, Ecological Processes, and Native, T&E, and Locally Important Species have been achieved. Watershed Function - Riparian/Wetland Areas and Water Quality Standards were not present. The current grazing system, which provides opportunities for regrowth of key forage species following grazing in one half of the allotment annually, is also meeting Guidelines for Livestock Grazing Management.

5565	Upton Mountain	I	In FY04 an allotment management evaluation was conducted. Results indicate the grazing system did not meet Guidelines for Livestock Grazing Management as there was not complete deferment on any pasture and utilization on Malheur Prince's Plume Sites did not allow for deferment past seed dispersal. The following Standards for Rangeland Health were achieved: Watershed Function – Uplands; Ecological Processes; and Native, T&E, and Locally Important Species - greater sage-grouse and California bighorn sheep. Standard for Watershed Function was not achieved with livestock determined to be a causal factor. The Standard for Water Function - Riparian/Wetland Areas has not had studies completed to make a determination. The Standard for Native, T&E, and Locally Important Species - Malheur prince's plume was not achieved and livestock were determined to be a causal factor. The evaluation recommended changing the present grazing treatment and to have a reduction of livestock numbers through agreement with the permittee until the next evaluation period. Other recommendations included repair or reconstruction of six reservoirs, development of two springs, reconstruction of one spring, new monitoring for Archaeology, spring photo plots and a Pace 180° trend plot. Alkali Spring was reconstructed and the pipeline from Texaco Basin Allotment into Upton Mountain Allotment was reconstructed by the permittee. An AMP/EA was completed and signed in FY06. In FY07 Bartlett Mountain Fire burned the entire Upton Mountain allotment. Following the fire, approximately 10,686 acres were drill seeded, 4,891 acres aerial seeded, and 5,795 acres were broadcast seeded to perennial grasses and native forbs to stabilize the site to prevent soil erosion and prevent establishment of cheatgrass and medusahead. Also in FY07 Upton Mountain well was drilled by the permittee and Watershed Conservation District and is not functional. Pipeline and troughs were installed by BLM.
5573	Beaver FFR	C	Standards and Guidelines were assessed in FY04. All Standards present were achieved and grazing management practices conformed to Guidelines.
5577	Cooper FFR	C	Standards and Guidelines were assessed in FY04. All Standards present were achieved and grazing management practices conformed to Guidelines.
5584	Poison Creek	C	Term Permit Renewal #3600273 was processed under NEPA in FY04.
5587	Manning FFR	C	Standards and Guidelines were assessed in FY04. All Standards present were achieved and grazing management practices conformed to Guidelines.
5588	Reed FFR	C	Standards and Guidelines were assessed in FY04. All Standards present were achieved and grazing management practices conformed to Guidelines.
5590	Smith FFR	C	Standards and Guidelines were assessed in FY04. All Standards present were achieved and grazing management practices conformed to Guidelines.
5592	Coleman Creek	M	An allotment management evaluation was conducted in FY05. Results indicate resource objectives identified in the 1994 AMP are being achieved with the exception being maintaining the current good range condition in Lower and Rim Pastures. This is due to medusahead infestations, age of the crested wheatgrass seedings, and grazing management not conforming to Guidelines for Grazing Management. Assessment of Standards for Rangeland Health found Standards were achieved except for Watershed Function – Uplands and Ecological Processes with livestock being a partial factor. The 2005 allotment evaluation recommends a new grazing system (graze/defer) for Lower and Rim Pastures allowing for periodic growing season rest for rangeland vegetation and conformance to Guidelines for Livestock Grazing Management. Stocking levels remained the same. Additional recommendations include rehabilitation of the crested wheatgrass seedings and treatment of noxious weeds using the most appropriate methods.

5593	Slocum	I	An allotment management evaluation was conducted in FY04. Results indicate the grazing system did not meet Guidelines for Livestock Grazing Management as the management plan was not being followed. The following Standards for Rangeland Health were not present: Watershed Function and Water Quality. The following Standards were not achieved and livestock is not a causal factor: Watershed Function – Uplands; Ecological Processes; and Native, T&E, and Locally Important Species. These Standards are not being achieved due to encroachment of medusahead rye. The evaluation recommends changing the present grazing treatment, assure reporting of treatments is accurate, and establishing two additional Pace 180° trend plots. It was also recommended to change the category from an "M" category allotment to an "I" category. The AMP was revised to incorporate the recommendations from the allotment management evaluation and address conflicts and concerns identified in the RMP. Conflicts and concerns included medusahead rye infestation and big game habitat. Grazing treatments were designed which will meet Slocum Allotment objectives. Key forage species and utilization levels were identified for each pasture. In FY07 Term Permit Renewal #3602296 was processed under NEPA.
5594	Venator	I	The AMP was revised in FY04 to incorporate recommendations from the allotment management evaluation and address conflicts and concerns identified in the RMP. Conflicts and concerns included Water Quality, riparian or aquatic habitat, SSS species-redband trout, and range condition. A grazing system has been designed to ensure multiple-use objectives and Standards for Rangeland Health are achieved and/or progress is being made toward them. Key forage species and utilization levels were identified for each pasture.
5595	Coyote Creek	M	An allotment management evaluation was conducted in FY04. Results indicate the grazing system outlined in the AMP was followed, but 196 Temporary Nonrenewable AUMs were authorized annually to achieve management objectives. Resource objectives identified in the AMP were all achieved except an upward trend along Crane Creek. Upland trend in South Pasture was found to be upward while trend in North Pasture was stable. Range condition in both pastures is at risk due to medusahead infestations. Assessment of Standards for Rangeland Health found Standards were achieved except Water Function -Riparian/Wetland Areas with livestock as a causal factor and Water Quality with livestock as a causal factor. Guidelines for Grazing Management are being followed, but site observations and data are lacking providing indications as to moving toward meeting Standards. The evaluation recommends continuation of the current grazing system with 196 AUMs of temporary nonrenewable use, but closely monitor actions and collect data. Another recommendation was to determine if this stretch of Crane Creek actually has redband trout and determine baseline riparian condition.
5596	Emerson	M	Term Permit Renewal #3602274 was processed under NEPA in FY06.
5599	Mahon Ranch	M	Term Permit Renewal #3602321 was processed under NEPA in FY07.
5600	Beaver Creek	M	In FY04 an allotment management evaluation was conducted. Results indicate objectives identified in the 1994 AMP have not been achieved due to aroga moth and drought. Standards for Rangeland Health for Water Function – Uplands, Ecological Processes, and Native, T&E, and Locally Important Species were achieved. Standards for Water Function – Riparian/Wetland Areas and Water Quality were not present. The evaluation recommended revising the AMP incorporating a new grazing system that improves the health of the allotment. Term Permit Renewal #3602332 was processed under NEPA in FY07. Two waterholes were cleaned in Upper Pasture.
5601	Hamilton	I	In FY05 BLM provided bentonite to the permittee to apply in Miller Reservoir within South Pasture. In FY06 upland trend data collection using the Pace 180° method was conducted.
5602	Quier FFR	C	Standards and Guidelines were assessed in FY04. All Standards present were achieved and grazing management practices conformed to Guidelines.
5604	Burnt Flat	I	Term Permit Renewal #3602280 was analyzed in an EA in FY06. Following public review a proposed decision was not issued.

7001	East Warm Springs	I	<p>An allotment evaluation was conducted in FY04. Results indicate resource objectives identified in the AMP are being achieved. The evaluation found all but one objective had been achieved. Although forage production has increased to above the 8,900 AUM level, this additional forage has been determined to be unavailable to livestock at this time. An AMP was developed in FY05 incorporating recommendations from the allotment management evaluation. The AMP called for creation of Weed Lake Pasture which provides an alternative source of early season forage for livestock. This new pasture is to be rested one full year after fencing is completed to improve resource conditions. Once the pasture is on line, it will be grazed every other year to ensure resource objectives are achieved. Associated with this pasture, a livestock well has been developed and a pipeline installed which will supply water to the newly created pasture as well as an area outside the pasture. Also, because the new well serves as an alternative water source to Jack Creek, there was an exclosure fence constructed which protects one-mile of publicly owned stream channel along Jack Creek. Term Permit Renewals #3602840, 3602814, 3602812 and 3602835 were processed under NEPA in FY05. Two wildfires occurred within the allotment in FY06 requiring rehabilitation efforts to ensure perennial grasses were either reestablished or established. Basque Wells Fire burned lower elevation lands susceptible to cheatgrass invasion. This area was seeded to perennial grasses and fenced to exclude livestock grazing until the site establishes to a target level. Jack Mountain Fire burned in native rangelands and no seeding occurred. This area was fenced to exclude livestock and wild horses. The fence will remain for at least two growing seasons to ensure perennial grasses and forbs reestablish. In FY05, FY06, and FY07, sagebrush, which has reestablished within the Middlewest, Eagles Nest, Southwest Eagles Nest and Southeast Eagles Nest Pastures, was mowed to reduce competition for crested wheatgrass seedings used to defer native rangelands in the spring. This 3-year project has covered approximately 1,700 acres. No further mowing is scheduled within the seedings at this time. In FY06, five cattleguards were cleaned to prevent cattle and wild horses from crossing over them. Term Permit Renewal #3602844 was processed under NEPA in FY07.</p>
7002	West Warm Springs	I	<p>In 2005 approximately 900 acres of the 1996 Buzzard Fire were reseeded to crested wheatgrass to control erosion, reduce fire frequency and improve sage-grouse habitat. Also in 2005 approximately 800 acres of cheatgrass/tumble-mustard sites were seeded to crested wheatgrass to control erosion, reduce fire frequency and improve sage-grouse habitat within Basque Flat Seeding, and approximately 2,500 acres of the Big Stick Fire were reseeded to crested wheatgrass and native species to reduce erosion where native species seedings had failed. Also in FY05, 1,300 acres were brush beat to improve sage-grouse habitat. In FY06 Basque Well Fire Rehabilitation efforts reseeded approximately 3,840 acres. A protective fence was constructed to exclude livestock grazing until the seeding establishes. Also in FY06, 2,015 acres were brush beat to improve sage-grouse habitat and in FY07 an additional 1,430 acres were treated.</p>
7003	East Wagonfire	I	<p>In FY04 approximately 5.4 acres surrounding and including Egli pond were fenced in order to create waterfowl habitat. Results indicate allotment specific resource objectives identified in the 2000 allotment evaluation were achieved. Standards for Rangeland Health were either achieved or not present and grazing management is in conformance with Guidelines for Livestock Grazing Management. Multiple range improvements were recommended to aid in improved livestock distribution by providing additional reliable water sources throughout the year. In FY06 upland trend data collection using the Pace 180° method was conducted. Sheep Mountain Fire Rehabilitation seeding and fence were constructed in FY07 after a fire in September 2006. The seeding area was approximately 450 acres of BLM-managed land with approximately 5 miles of fence constructed around the seeding. An allotment evaluation was completed in FY07.</p>

7004	West Wagontire	I	Tired Horse Well was completed in late 2004. This well will facilitate a winter grazing system in this allotment to improve trend in upland health of native vegetation. It will reduce livestock use during the active growing season. In December, 2,000 acres of brush beating took place to improve sage-grouse habitat. An AMP was prepared in FY05 to incorporate recommendations from the allotment management evaluation of 2003. This AMP was also written to change season of use from a spring/summer season to a winter/spring grazing season. Chandler Butte Well was also included in the AMP to provide a reliable source of water for livestock during winter. Brush beating in Chandler Butte Pasture occurred over approximately 791 acres.
7007	Hat Butte	I	Term Permit Renewal #36000183 was processed under NEPA in FY04. An allotment management evaluation was conducted in FY05. Results indicate resource objectives identified in the 1976 AMP are being achieved. Trend was found to be stable. Standards for Water Function - Uplands, Ecological Processes, and Native, T&E, and Locally Important Species have been achieved. Water Function - Riparian/Wetland Areas and Water Quality Standards were not present. The current grazing system which provides periodic deferment on half of the allotment annually conforms to Guidelines for Livestock Grazing Management.
7008	Sheep Lake-Shields	I	An allotment management evaluation was conducted in FY05. Results indicate resource objectives identified in the 1993 AMP are being achieved. Trend was found to be stable to upward. Standards for Water Function - Uplands, Ecological Processes, and Native, T&E, and Locally Important Species have been achieved. Water Function - Riparian/Wetland Areas and Water Quality Standards were not present. The current grazing system which provides periodic deferment on approximately 50% of the allotment annually is meeting Guidelines for Livestock Grazing Management. Term Permit Renewal #3602864 was processed under NEPA in FY07.
7009	Dry Lake Allotment	I	Four hazardous fuels units totaling 722 acres were treated in FY05. A formal allotment evaluation was completed in FY06. Results indicate allotment specific resource objectives identified in the 2001 allotment evaluation were achieved with the exception being Silver Creek within Lower Silver Creek Pasture, evidenced by lack of sufficient streambank vegetation in fall. Achievement of Standards for Rangeland Health was also analyzed and results are as follows: Watershed Function – Uplands was achieved; Watershed Function – Riparian/Wetland Areas was achieved on Nicoll Creek and Silver Creek within Creeks Pasture, not achieved on Silver Creek within Lower Silver Creek Pasture with livestock as a causal factor, and unknown on Bulger Creek; Ecological Processes was achieved; Water Quality was not achieved on Nicoll Creek with causal factors other than livestock, not achieved on Silver Creek within Lower Silver Creek Pasture with livestock as a causal factor, and unknown on Bulger Creek; and Native, T&E, and Locally Important Species was not achieved for redband trout and Malheur mottled sculpin on Silver Creek within Lower Silver Creek Pasture and achieved on Nicoll Creek and Silver Creek within Creeks Pasture. This Standard was also achieved for Deschutes milkvetch, sage-grouse, spotted frog and bald eagle. Grazing management was not in conformance with Guidelines for Livestock Grazing Management due to continuous season long grazing, April 1 through August 31, during critical growth periods for key forage species.
7010	Claw Creek	I	See Planned Work for FY08.
7012	Packsaddle	I	An allotment evaluation was conducted in FY04. Results indicate resource objectives identified in the AMP are being achieved. The evaluation determined one objective was partially achieved while the other two were achieved. Trend was found to be static to upward. Standards for Water Function - Uplands and Ecological Processes were achieved while Standards for Water Function - Riparian/Wetland Areas and Native, T&E, and Locally Important Species was partially achieved. The determination on Standards not achieved was livestock were not a causal factor. The evaluation recommended revising the AMP to address resource concerns. Packsaddle AMP was developed in FY05. The AMP called for constructing, realigning, reconstructing, and removing fences, developing one spring and protecting that spring source and another with enclosure fencing. The AMP also incorporates additional acreage which was acquired through a land exchange. In addition to the above projects, a grazing schedule was developed within the same season of use which allows for a smooth transition from the allotment to an adjacent USFS allotment used by the same permittee.

7013	Zoglman FFR	C	Standards and Guidelines were assessed FY04. All Standards present were achieved and grazing management practices conformed to Guidelines.
7014	Badger Springs	M	Term Permit Renewal completed in FY07.
7015	Second Flat	I	Term Permit Renewal #3602866 was processed under NEPA in FY07.
7016	Juniper Ridge	M	Term Permit Renewal #3602864 was processed under NEPA in FY07.
7017	Cluster	M	In FY07 a rangeland evaluation and assessment of Standards and Guidelines determination were completed. Management was in conformance with Guidelines, all Standards were achieved, and allotment objectives were achieved.
7019	Palomino Butte	I	Term Permit Renewal #3602827 was processed under NEPA in FY04.
7021	Weaver Lakes	I	Term Permit Renewal #3600207 was processed under NEPA in FY05.
7022	Dog Mountain	I	An allotment management evaluation was conducted in FY07. Results indicate resource objectives identified in the 1992 AMP are being achieved. Rangeland trend analysis indicates the allotment is in a stable to slightly upward trend. Achievement of Standards for Rangeland Health was also analyzed and results are as follows: Watershed Function – Upland was achieved; Watershed Function – Riparian/Wetland Areas was not present; Ecological Processes was achieved; Water Quality was not present; and Native, T&E, and Locally Important Species Standard was achieved. Grazing management was determined to be in conformance with Guidelines for Livestock Grazing Management because pastures were used for two consecutive years followed by two years of rest.
7023	West Sagehen	I	See Planned Work for FY08.
7024	East		
Sagehen	I	Term Permit Renewal #3602827 was processed under NEPA in FY04.	
7025	Gouldin	I	Term Permit Renewal #3602818 was processed under NEPA in FY05.
7030	Skull Creek	I	In FY04, 440 acres of juniper were cut in Early Turnout Pasture. An allotment management evaluation was conducted FY04. Results indicate all objectives identified in the AMP were achieved. All grazing management actions outlined in the AMP were followed. Upland trend has been static on all plots. Cover, bank stability, and water quality have all improved along Skull Creek. Assessment of Standards for Rangeland Health found Standards were achieved except Water Quality and Native, T&E, and Locally Important Species – redband trout with livestock not a causal factor. Grazing management practices are conforming to Guidelines for Livestock Grazing Management. The evaluation recommends continuing the current grazing system and juniper control projects. It was recommended 499 AUMs of yearling use be placed in suspension through a cooperative agreement. Term Permit Renewal #3602818 was processed under NEPA in FY05. Also in FY05, hazardous fuels reduction projects were implemented on Greenspot Juniper Cutting Units 1, 2, and 3. Approximately 334 acres were treated (piled and burned). Term Permit Renewal #3600216 was processed under NEPA in FY07.
7031	Hay Creek	I	An allotment management evaluation was conducted FY04. Results indicate the system outlined in the AMP has been followed and coupled with completion of proposed range improvement projects in 1994 and 1996 have caused an upward trend in riparian conditions. Upland trend plots were found to generally show a static trend except in East Table Pasture where trend was downward. Resource objectives identified in the AMP were achieved. Assessment of Standards for Rangeland Health found Standards were achieved except Water Quality and livestock were not a causal factor. Grazing management practices are conforming to Guidelines for Livestock Grazing Management. The evaluation recommended continuing under the current grazing system with current stocking levels. Term Permit Renewal #3602818 was processed under NEPA in FY05.
7032	Hotchkiss Individual	C	Term Permit Renewal #3602818 was processed in FY05.
7035	Silvies Meadow	M	See Planned Work for FY08.

7036	Hayes	I	The AMP was revised in FY04 to incorporate recommendations from the allotment management evaluation and address conflicts and concerns identified in the RMP. Conflicts and concerns include SSS sage-grouse and range condition. A grazing system was designed to meet objectives. Recommendations were made to continue juniper control by mechanical treatment in both pastures to maintain Water Function. In FY06 upland trend data collection using the Pace 180° method was conducted. Maintenance was conducted in FY07 on Deep Spring (RIPS #0860). The existing trough was replaced along with pipeline from the spring and miscellaneous plumbing. Approximately 230 acres of juniper were cut in North Pasture to release brush, grass and forbs.
7039	Cave Gulch	M	See Planned Work for FY08.
7041			
	East Silvies	I	An allotment evaluation was conducted. Results indicate resource objectives identified in the AMP are being achieved. Although, treatment outlined in the AMP were not followed, the allotment was managed in a manner allowing key forage and browse species to periodically complete their reproductive cycle, changing the timing of grazing, and periodic rest, all of which provide for stable trend in range condition. The current grazing permitted season of use (6/01 -9/30) allows for graze/rest rotation treatment with growing season rest in the pastures at least every other year, with exception of Griffith Pasture, which is recommended to be removed from East Silvies Allotment and added to Curry Gordon Allotment. Also, target utilization for native species should be lowered from 65% to 50% average utilization. New monitoring needs are to increase frequency of utilization monitoring and supervision. Cultural Resource recommendations are to visit known archaeological sites, formally record and assess, inventory congregation areas and note any impacts and possible mitigation measures necessary. Priority range improvements are to repair or reconstruct Riparian Enclosure and Hill Pasture in poor condition.
7042	Dole Smith	C	Standards and Guidelines were assessed FY04. All Standards present were achieved and grazing management practices conformed to Guidelines.
7043	Lone Pine	I	An allotment management evaluation was conducted in FY06. Results indicate resource objectives identified in the 1980 AMP are being achieved. Rangeland trend analysis indicates the allotment is in a stable to slightly upward trend. Achievement of Standards for Rangeland Health was also analyzed and results are as follows: Watershed Function – Uplands was achieved; Watershed Function – Riparian/Wetland Areas was achieved; Ecological Processes was achieved; Water Quality was achieved; Native, T&E, and Locally Important Species was achieved. Grazing management was determined to be in conformance with Guidelines for Livestock Grazing Management because pastures were provided opportunities for regrowth following grazing treatment or were provided rest every other year. Term Permit Renewals #3602846 and 3602844 were processed under NEPA in FY07.
7044	Cowing FFR	C	Term Permit Renewal #3601430 was processed under NEPA in FY05.
7047	Peabody	C	Term Permit Renewal #3602818 was processed under NEPA in FY05.
7048	Varian Canyon FFR	C	Term Permit Renewal #3602844 was processed under NEPA In FY07.
7049	Forks of Poison Creek	I	Term Permit Renewal #360199 was processed under NEPA in FY04. Term Permit Renewal #3602861 was processed under NEPA in FY06. Term Permit Renewals #3600198 and 3602844 were processed under NEPA in FY07.
7051	Sawtooth - MNF	M	Term Permit Renewal #3062818 was processed under NEPA in FY05.
7056	Double O	M	The allotment is used as a forage bank for mitigating resource concerns on other allotments. The well supplying water to this allotment was re-drilled in spring 2004 with assistance from the Grazing Advisory Board.

7062	Capehart Lake	I	<p>In FY06 an allotment management evaluation was conducted. Results indicate present grazing management does not conform to Guidelines for Livestock Grazing Management. The following Standards for Rangeland Health were not achieved: Watershed Function -Uplands at risk in Capehart Lake and Hiway Pastures with livestock being the causal factor and Native, T&E, and Locally Important Species in Capehart Lake and Hiway Pastures with livestock being the causal factor. Water Function - Uplands and Ecological Processes were achieved. Watershed Function - Riparian/Wetland Areas and Water Quality are not applicable. Playa habitat exists within the allotment. Grazing treatment is not providing adequate growing season rest in Capehart Lake and Hiway Pastures. The majority of grazing in Capehart Lake pasture occurs in April and May. The majority of grazing in Hiway pasture occurs in June, July and August. Little Seeding Pasture is receiving adequate growing season rest. Recommended changes in grazing treatments would incorporate adequate growing season rest in Capehart Lake and Hiway Pastures. Recommendations are to manage Little Seeding for native vegetation.</p>
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FY08 PLANNED WORK

	Silvies	I	
5103	Lime Kiln	M	A rangeland evaluation and assessment of Standards and Guidelines will be completed.
5301	Princeton	M	A rangeland evaluation and assessment of Standards and Guidelines will be completed.
5303	Dry Lake	M	Term Permit Renewal #3600190 and Proposed Decision will be issued.
5310	Riddle Mountain	I	Term Permit Renewal and Proposed Decision will be issued. Approximately 2,600 acres of juniper will be cut as part of the first phase of Five Creeks Rangeland Restoration Project.
5325	North Lake FFR	C	Term Permit Renewal #3602280 and Proposed Decision will be issued
5331	Smyth/ Kiger	I	An AMP/EA will be completed to analyze livestock management alternatives which will achieve Standards for Rangeland Health and determine permitted use. A small portion of the northeast side of Hamilton Individual Pasture will be cut as part of the first phase of Five Creeks Rangeland Restoration Project.
5513	Shelley	I	A rangeland evaluation and assessment of Standards and Guidelines will be completed.
5515	Mule Creek	I	A rangeland evaluation and assessment of Standards and Guidelines will be completed.
5523	Tub Springs/ Hart	I	Box Springs enclosure fence to be relocated to protect the spring.
5524	Dawson Butte	I	A rangeland evaluation and assessment of Standards and Guidelines will be completed.
5530	River	I	Proposed protective fence to be constructed to exclude Bartlett Fire seeded area from livestock grazing for two growing seasons.
5536	Alder Creek	I	The ACM 1, a burned juniper cut unit, will be fenced under contract. This fence is being installed to prevent livestock use in the burned area until adequate desirable vegetation is well established. Two cattleguards will be installed along the main road to Twin Springs Reservoir. These cattleguards are being installed to prevent gates from being left open, thus preventing late season livestock use in Coleman Creek.
5565	Upton Mountain	I	Perform maintenance to South Bartlett Reservoir.
5601	Hamilton	I	A rangeland evaluation and assessment of Standards and Guidelines to be completed.
5604	Burnt Flat	I	Term Permit Renewal #3602280 and Proposed Decision will be issued.
7001	East Warm Springs	I	The last two troughs will be constructed along Weed Lake Pipeline. This will complete all projects identified in the AMP for implementation of the final grazing system in the allotment.
7002	West Warm Springs	I	An AMP/EA will be completed to analyze grazing management to meet resource objectives, achieve Standards for Rangeland Health and conform to Guidelines for Livestock Management. This document will also analyze issuance of a Term Permit Renewal.
7010	Claw Creek	I	A rangeland evaluation and assessment of Standards and Guidelines will be completed.
7023	West Sagehen	I	A rangeland evaluation and assessment of Standards and Guidelines will be completed.
7035	Silvies Meadow	M	A rangeland evaluation and assessment of Standards and Guidelines will be completed.
7036	Hayes	I	A rangeland evaluation and assessment of Standards and Guidelines will be completed.
7039	Cave Gulch	M	A rangeland evaluation and assessment of Standards and Guidelines will be completed.
7043	Lone Pine		Boundary fence consisting of 1.25 miles will be constructed to put the fence on the property boundary. This fence will be constructed with contributed labor by the adjacent private landowners. Construction of fence along the property boundary will allow the BLM to remove one custodial allotment completely.
7062	Capehart Lake	I	An AMP/EA will be written to analyze grazing management which would achieve Standards for Rangeland Health, meet resource objectives and conform to Guidelines for Livestock Management. This document will also analyze a Term Permit Renewal.

ANDREWS RESOURCE AREA - FISCAL YEARS 2004-2007

Allotment Number	Name	Category	Implementation Progress
6001	North Catlow	I	Three troughs were replaced in FY04. Standards and Guidelines were assessed in FY05. All Standards present were achieved and grazing management practices conformed to Guidelines.
6002	South Steens	I	A new term permit was issued in FY04. In FY05 wild horses were gathered and the permittee cleaned out 20 waterholes between FY05 and FY06. BLM reconstructed and added bentonite to a waterhole in FY06. Standards and Guidelines were assessed. All Standards present were achieved and grazing management practices conformed to Guidelines. One mile of pipeline and a trough were installed by the permittee and 2.5 miles of WSR protection fence were contracted in FY07.
6005	Mud Creek	I	FY06, 80% of the allotment burned due to wildfire. Three waterholes were cleaned and one was reconstructed following the fire. Standards and Guidelines were assessed in FY07. All Standards present were achieved and grazing management practices conformed to Guidelines.
6006	Frazier Field	I	In FY05 constructed 0.3-mile of buried pipeline and installed a water trough in West Lower River Pasture of Frazier Field Allotment. The pipeline begins at an existing stock well on Refuge-administered land and crosses onto BLM-managed land.
6007	Ruby Springs	I	Otley Well was redrilled in summer 2004, 5 waterholes were cleaned and 400 acres of juniper were cut late in 2004. In FY05, 2,000 acres of juniper were cut (half of this was accomplished by fire personnel); 1,200 acres reseeded with crested wheatgrass; 2 miles of fence constructed; 12 miles of road bladed; and long-term trend was completed. In FY06, a prescribed fire treated 3,000 acres and BLM cleaned 10 waterholes. In FY07, 400 acres of juniper were cut under contract; BLM cleaned 5 waterholes; the permittee built 3 miles of fence; Standards and Guidelines were completed and all Standards present were achieved and grazing management practices conformed to Guidelines; and 2 new term grazing permits were issued.
6008	Krumbo	M	Standards and Guidelines were assessed in FY07. All Standards present were achieved and grazing management practices conformed to Guidelines.
6010	East Ridge	I	In FY04, 2,500 acres were burned. One mile of wilderness boundary fence was installed in FY05. In FY07, Standards and Guidelines were assessed. All Standards present were achieved and grazing management practices conformed to Guidelines.
6011	Pollock	I	Standards and Guidelines were assessed in FY05. All Standards present were achieved and grazing management practices conformed to Guidelines.
6012	Alvord	I	Standards and Guidelines were assessed in FY05. All Standards present were achieved and grazing management practices conformed to Guidelines.
6014	Tum Tum	M	Standards and Guidelines were assessed in FY07. All Standards present were achieved and grazing management practices conformed to Guidelines.
6015	Trout Creek Mountain	I	In FY05 two fences in Trout Creek Mountain Allotment were constructed (2.26 miles of 3-wire fence in Buckskin Mountain Pasture (non-WSA) and 1.86 miles of 3-wire temporary fence in Stony Pasture (Mahogany Ridge WSA) to improve management of crested wheatgrass seedings in Buckskin Mountain Pasture and improve riparian habitat in Mahogany Ridge WSA along Big Trout Creek. Standards and Guidelines were assessed in FY07. All Standards present were achieved and grazing management practices conformed to Guidelines. Twenty reservoirs were maintained or reconstructed. An EA was completed for reconstruction for one spring development, and a CX was completed to perform maintenance on five additional springs.
6016	Sandhills	M	In FY07 Upland Trend Plots were monitored, apparent trend is static or upward, and a Term Permit Renewal CX was completed.

6017	Grassy Basin	M	Standards and Guidelines were assessed in FY07. Standards for Rangeland Health for Watershed Function - Uplands, Ecological Processes, and Native, T&E, and Locally Important Species were determined to be achieved. Standards for Watershed Function - Riparian/Wetland Areas and Water Quality are not present. Grazing management practices conformed to Guidelines.
6018	Tule Springs	I	Standards and Guidelines were assessed in FY07. All Standards present were achieved and grazing management practices conformed to Guidelines.
6019	Serrano Point	I	Standards and Guidelines were assessed in FY05. All Standards present were achieved and grazing management practices conformed to Guidelines.
6020	Pueblo-Lone Mountain	I	Standards and Guidelines were assessed in FY06. All Standards present were achieved and grazing management practices conformed to Guidelines. FY07, 15 reservoirs were maintained/reconstructed.
6023	Hammond	I	In FY06, 30% of the allotment burned due to a wildfire. Some fences were repaired and 50 acres were reseeded following the fire. Standards and Guidelines were assessed in FY07. Standards were achieved and grazing management practices conformed to Guidelines. Also in FY07 the evaluation of Hammond Allotment was completed. The evaluation recommended permanent increase in actual use.
6024	South Fork	M	Nothing to report for this period.
6025	Hardie Summer	M	In FY05 constructed 4 miles of new fence and removed approximately 4 miles of old fence. Fir Creek Fire burned 600 acres in FY05 and Grandad Fire burned 3,000 acres in FY06. Four miles of road were bladed in FY06. Standards and Guidelines were assessed in FY07. All Standards present were achieved and grazing management practices conformed to Guidelines. Evaluation of Hardie Summer Allotment was also completed in FY07. The 2.5-mile fence along Loop Road in Cabin Pasture was completed in August of 2007 and 2 miles of fence were completed between Bridge Creek and Fir Creek in June.
6026	Mann Lake	I	Nothing to report for this period.
6027	Carlson Creek	I	Standards and Guidelines were assessed in FY05. All Standards present were achieved and grazing management practices conformed to Guidelines.
6028	Fields	I	In FY06, 3,000 acres were reseeded and 8 miles of fence repaired due to effects of Pueblo Fire.
6029	Keg Springs	I	A formal allotment evaluation was completed in 2007.
6030	Reicken's Corner	M	A formal allotment evaluation was completed in 2007. The AMP/EA was sent to the public in July 2007.
6031	LaVoy Tables	I	Standards and Guidelines were assessed in FY05. All Standards present were achieved and grazing management practices conformed to Guidelines.
6032	Krumbo Mountain	I	In FY05 Bone Breaker Fire burned 800 acres, subsequently 4 miles of fire rehabilitation fence were built. In FY06, 10 miles of road were bladed. Also in FY06, Grandad Fire burned two-thirds of the allotment requiring construction of 4 miles of fire rehabilitation fence, cleaning of 20 waterholes and reseeding of 1,200 acres.
6033	Chimney	I	During FY04 through FY07 the permittee cleaned 5 waterholes and bladed 10 miles of road each year. In FY05, 4 miles of fire protection fence was installed by BLM and the permittee cut 1,200 acres of juniper for a planned burn in FY08. Grandad Fire of 2006 burned 300 acres of Chimney Allotment. The BLM cut 2,400 acres of juniper in FY07. Also in FY07 Standards and Guidelines were assessed. All Standards present were achieved and grazing management practices conformed to Guidelines.
6035	Fields Basin	I	Standards for Rangeland Health assessed in FY06. Standard for Watershed Function - Uplands was not achieved due to cheatgrass encroachment and Standard for Watershed Function-Riparian/Wetland Areas was not achieved in Pass Creek Pasture. Pass Creek Riparian Fence EA was subsequently written to address the Riparian/Wetland Standard deficiency.
6038	Alvord Peak	I	Three of the four pastures were traded to another permittee for Basque Hills Allotment in 2005. A wildfire occurred in 2006, burning the majority of the allotment.
0032	South Catflow	I	A Term Permit Renewal was issued in FY04.
6040	Stonehouse	I	The AMP was finished in FY04. The allotment was fenced into 4 pastures and 2 miles of pipeline with 3 troughs will be installed. The first year of grazing was in 2005.

6042	Basque Hills	I	In FY06 Standards and Guidelines were completed. All Standards present were achieved and grazing management practices conformed to Guidelines. A Term Permit Renewal was issued in FY06. The AMP was released for public comment in FY07.
6043	Pueblo Slough	I	Standards and Guidelines were assessed in FY07. All Standards present were achieved and grazing management practices conformed to Guidelines.
6044	Lower Antelope	I	Standards and Guidelines were assessed in FY05. All Standards present were achieved and grazing management practices conformed to Guidelines. In FY05 an allotment management evaluation was also completed. An approach to a watergap on Trout Creek was ripped and a fence crossing rebuilt in 2006.
6100	Hammond FFR	C	In FY06, 50% of the allotment burned due to wildfire. Two miles of fence were reconstructed and 200 acres reseeded following the fire. Standards and Guidelines were assessed in FY07. All Standards present were achieved and grazing management practices conformed to Guidelines.
6101	Waldirich FFR	C	Standards and Guidelines were assessed in FY07. All Standards present were achieved and grazing management practices conformed to Guidelines.
6102	Oregon End FFR	C	Standards and Guidelines were assessed in FY07. All Standards present were achieved and grazing management practices conformed to Guidelines.
6104	Defenbaugh FFR	C	See Planned Work for FY08.
6105	Wrench Ranch FFR	C	See Planned Work for FY08.
6106	Orlando FFR	C	Standards and Guidelines were assessed in FY05. All Standards present were achieved and grazing management practices conformed to Guidelines.
6107	Crump/Calderwood FFR	C	Standards and Guidelines were assessed in FY07. All Standards present were achieved and grazing management practices conformed to Guidelines.
6108	Henricks FFR	C	FY07 Term Permit Renewal CX was completed.
6109	Casey FFR	C	Standards and Guidelines were assessed in FY07. Watershed Function - Uplands, Ecological Processes and Native, T&E, and Locally Important Species Standards were determined to be achieved. Watershed Function - Riparian/Wetland Areas and Water Quality Standards are not present. Grazing management practices conformed to Guidelines. Also in FY07 a Term Permit Renewal CX was completed.
6110	Still FFR	C	Standards and Guidelines were assessed in FY07. All Standards present were achieved and grazing management practices conformed to Guidelines.
6111	Dunbar FFR	C	Standards and Guidelines were assessed in FY05. All Standards present were achieved and grazing management practices conformed to Guidelines.
6112	Long Hollow FFR	C	Standards and Guidelines were assessed in FY07. Standards present were achieved except Watershed Function - Uplands which was not achieved due to a 2006 wildfire. Livestock were not a casual factor. Grazing management practices conformed to Guidelines.
6114	Rock Creek FFR	C	Standards and Guidelines were assessed in FY05. All Standards present were achieved and grazing management practices conformed to Guidelines.
6115	Dixon FFR	C	Standards and Guidelines were assessed in FY05. All Standards present were achieved and grazing management practices conformed to Guidelines.
6116	Northrup FFR	C	Standards and Guidelines were assessed in FY05. All Standards present were achieved and grazing management practices conformed to Guidelines.
6117	Kaser FFR	C	Standards and Guidelines were assessed in FY05. All Standards present were achieved and grazing management practices conformed to Guidelines.
6118	Lupher FFR	C	Standards and Guidelines were assessed in FY07. All Standards present were achieved and grazing management practices conformed to Guidelines. In FY07 a Term Permit Renewal CX was completed.
6119	Pollock FFR	C	Standards and Guidelines were assessed in FY05. All Standards present were achieved and grazing management practices conformed to Guidelines.
6120	Mann Lake FFR	C	Standards and Guidelines were assessed in FY05. All Standards present were achieved and grazing management practices conformed to Guidelines.
6121	Neuschwander FFR	C	Standards and Guidelines were assessed in FY07. All Standards present were achieved and grazing management practices conformed to Guidelines.
6122	Starr FFR	C	Standards and Guidelines were assessed in FY06. All Standards present were achieved and grazing management practices conformed to Guidelines.

6123	Culp FFR	C	Nothing to report for this period.
6124	Windmill FFR	C	Standards and Guidelines were assessed in FY06. All Standards present were achieved and grazing management practices conformed to Guidelines.
6125	Roaring Springs FFR	C	Waterholes were cleaned during winters of 2005 and 2006.
6126	CM Otley FFR	C	In FY04, 1,200 acres were reseeded. In FY05, 1,800 acres were burned by Fir Creek Fire. Grandad Fire burned 3,000 acres in FY06. A Term Permit Renewal was issued in FY07.
6127	Kuney FFR	C	See Planned Work for FY08.
6128	Konek FFR	C	Standards and Guidelines were assessed in FY05. All Standards present were achieved and grazing management practices conformed to Guidelines.
6129	Alvord FFR	C	Standards and Guidelines were assessed in FY05. All Standards present were achieved and grazing management practices conformed to Guidelines.
6130	Scharff FFR	C	A Term Permit Renewal was completed in FY05. Standards and Guidelines were assessed in FY06. All Standards present were achieved and grazing management practices conformed to Guidelines.
6131	South Pocket FFR	C	Standards and Guidelines were assessed in FY07. All Standards present were achieved and grazing management practices conformed to Guidelines.
6133	Otley Brother FFR	C	Standards and Guidelines were assessed in FY07. All Standards present were achieved and grazing management practices conformed to Guidelines.

FY08 PLANNED WORK

6002	South Steens		Two and one-half miles of WSR protection fence will be built near Bradeen Crossing. An AMP/EA to analyze affects of additional water sources for livestock, wildlife and wild horses is to be completed.
6005	Mud Creek	I	A formal allotment evaluation is planned.
6007	Ruby Springs		Seed crested wheatgrass on 1,000 acres, issue two new Term Permit Renewals and Proposed Decisions and finish last juniper cut in Bess Lake Pasture.
6008	Krumbo	M	Term Permit Renewal and Proposed Decision to be completed.
6010	East Ridge		Term Permit Renewal and Proposed Decision to be completed along with cleaning up juniper cuts.
6011	Pollock	I	A formal allotment evaluation is planned along with Term Permit Renewal and Proposed Decision.
6012	Alvord	I	Term Permit Renewal and Proposed Decision to be completed.
6014	Turn Turn	M	Term Permit Renewal and Proposed Decision to be completed.
6015	Trout Creek Mountain	I	Three springs are scheduled for reconstruction within No Name Pasture.
6016	Sandhills	M	Proposed Decision for Term Permit Renewal CX will be completed. Initiate EA for new cross-pasture fencing and possible modification to AMP. Complete CX for maintenance or upgrades to water developments in Holloway Mountain Pastures. New Range Line Agreement for a boundary adjustment between Henricks FFR and Sandhills Allotment.
6017	Grassy Basin	M	Resume analysis and complete EA OR-026-01-24 - Lower Grassy Basin Pipeline Extension (started in 2001). One reservoir in South Fork Pasture will be cleaned. CX and Grazing Decision for Permit Renewal will be completed. Initiate Allotment Evaluation.
6018	Tule Springs	I	Powerline Road cattleguard to be installed on fenceline between Fields and Tule Springs Pastures.
6019	Serrano Point	I	PFC Assessment is to be completed along with term permit renewal and decision.
6020	Pueblo-Lone Mountain	I	An EA for Catlow/Reynolds Resource Protection Projects will be completed. This EA includes two spring developments, each with a riparian protection fence. EA also assesses affects from closing and rehabilitating abandoned mine facilities. Allotment evaluation to be completed.
6027	Carlson Creek	I	Term Permit Renewal and Proposed Decision to be completed.
6028	Fields	I	Standards and Guidelines to be assessed. A formal allotment evaluation is planned. Term Permit Renewal and Proposed Decision to be completed.
6029	Keg Springs	I	A Keg Springs AMP/EA is scheduled for 2008. Term Permit Renewal and Proposed Decision to be completed.
6030	Reicken's Corner	M	The AMP/EA Proposed Decision is scheduled to be completed along with Term Permit Renewal.
0032	South Catlow	I	Standards and Guidelines to be assessed as well as long-term trend monitoring.
6033	Chimney		Burn (prescribed fire) 4,500 acres and issue a Term Permit Renewal and Proposed Decision
6035	Fields Basin	I	Pass Creek Riparian Fence is scheduled for construction.
6042	Basque Hills		Complete AMP and issue Term Permit Renewal and Proposed Decision
6102	Oregon End FFR	C	Term Permit Renewal and Proposed Decision to be completed.
6104	Defenbaugh FFR	C	Term Permit Renewal and Proposed Decision to be completed.
6105	Wrench Ranch FFR	C	Term Permit Renewal and Proposed Decision to be completed.
6106	Orlando FFR	C	Term Permit Renewal and Proposed Decision to be completed.
6108	Henricks FFR	C	Proposed Decision for Term Permit Renewal CX to be completed. Complete a new Range Line Agreement for a boundary adjustment between Henricks FFR and Sandhills Allotment.
6109	Casey FFR	C	Proposed Decision for Term Permit Renewal CX to be completed.
6110	Still FFR	C	Term Permit Renewal and Proposed Decision to be completed.
6115	Dixon FFR	C	Term Permit Renewal and Proposed Decision to be completed.
6124	Windmill FFR	C	Term Permit Renewal and Proposed Decision to be completed.
6127	Kuney FFR	C	Standards and Guidelines to be assessed.
6131	South Pocket FFR	C	Term Permit Renewal and Proposed Decision to be completed.

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT REGISTER

The following is a list of Environmental Assessments (EAs), Determinations of NEPA Adequacy (DNA) and Categorical Exclusions (CX) initiated in FY04, FY05, FY06, and FY07, but not necessarily completed. A notice is published in Burns Times-Herald when EAs are available for review by the public and the ending date of the comment period. The EAs will also be posted on the Web site.

If you would like to be involved in the planning process for any particular project or would simply like to receive a copy of an EA for review, note the EA register number and contact the District or the project's primary contact listed below. This should be done as early as possible to allow for full consideration of your input.

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020 = Burns District, 025 = Three Rivers Resource Area, 026 = Andrews Resource Area, 027 = Steens Mountain Cooperative Management and Protection Area

EA=Environmental Assessment, DNA=Determination of NEPA Adequacy, CX=Categorically Excluded from NEPA, DR=Decision Record

NEPA Register Number/Primary Contact	Project Name	Proposed Action	Location	Special Management Area Affected	Completion Date/ Decision/Action
<i>NEPA initiated in Past Fiscal Year(s); Completed in FY04</i>					
EA OR-027-02-011 Primary Contact: Mark Sherbourne	Wilderness Inholding Access for Steens Mountain Wilderness, Ankle Creek	Analyze motorized access to inholdings in Ankle Creek Area	Steens Mountain Wilderness	Wilderness	EA Initiated: January 14, 2002 DR Signed: June 24, 2004
EA OR-025-02-048 Primary Contact: Willie Street	Packsaddle Allotment Projects	Management changes, range improvements	Wickiup Creek/ Mineral Canyon	None	EA Initiated: June 11, 2002 DR Signed: October 26, 2004
EA OR-025-02-063 Primary Contact: Terri Geisler	Green Obsidian Plan of Operations	Mine obsidian on one claim	Skull Creek Road north of Burns	None	EA Initiated: September 17, 2002 DR Signed: July 28, 2004
EA OR-025 02-030 Primary Contact: Jim King	Landing Creek Habitat Improvement	Fence construction, juniper control, and aspen enclosure	Landing Creek and Silvies River	None	EA Initiated: March 4, 2002 DR Signed: March 25, 2004
EA OR-025-03-007 Primary Contact: Skip Renchler	Road ROW/ Easement and Pipeline	Road ROW/ easements and pipeline	W.M. T. 22 S., R. 32 E., Sec. 2 Whiskey Pine Spring Project	None	EA Initiated: December 18, 2002 DR Signed: December 8, 2004
EA OR-025-03-030 Primary Contacts: Lance Okeson or Doug Linn	Strategic Fuel Break Three Rivers	Fuels treatment for fuel breaks	Entire Three Rivers RA	None	EA Initiated: January 24, 2003 DR Signed: July 19, 2004

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EA OR-025-03-045 Primary Contact: Eric Haakenson	West Davies AMP	Implement AMP	West Davies Allotment	None	EA Initiated: February 27, 2003 DR Signed: February 17, 2004
EA OR-025-03-048 Primary Contact: Joe Glascock	Forks of Poison Creek/Devine Ridge Juniper Abatement Project	Prescribed burn for juniper abatement	Devine Canyon	None	EA Initiated: March 3, 2003 DR Signed: December 6, 2004
CX OR-025-03-053 Primary Contact: Bill Andersen	Grazing Transfer	Transfer permit between base	Vickers FFR	None	CX Initiated: March 20, 2003 CX Signed: February 27, 2004
EA OR-025-03-057 Primary Contacts: Nick Miller or Lisa Norfolk	Ramsey Riparian Fence	Build ¼-mile of fence	South Fork of the Malheur River	None	EA Initiated: April 1, 2003 DR Signed: January 20, 2004
EA OR-03-027-064 Primary Contact: Terri Geisler	Neals Hill Materials Source	Develop a rock source identified in the Steens Act	T. 29 S., R. 36 E., Sec. 26	Steens CMPA	EA Initiated: April 21, 2003 DR Signed: July 8, 2004
DNA OR-03-025-067 Primary Contact: Lisa Norfolk	Reconstruct Dripp Springs Project	Reconstruct project	Dripp Springs	None	DNA Initiated: April 23, 2003 DNA Signed: June 5, 2004
EA OR-03-027-068 Primary Contact: Joe Glascock	South Steens HMA Gather	Gather horses	South Steens	Steens Wilderness	EA Initiated: April 24, 2003 DR Signed: September 8, 2004
NEPA Initiated in FY04					
DNA OR-04-025-001 Primary Contact: Casey Pevey	Purple Loosestrife DNA	Treat purple loosestrife with Rodeo in riparian zone	Stinkingwater Creek in Lamb Ranch	None	DNA Initiated: October 21, 2003 DNA Signed: January 30, 2004
CX OR-04-025-002 Primary Contact: Willie Street	Grazing Permit Transfer	Transfer permit	Lone Pine Allotment	None	EA Initiated: October 22, 2003 DR Signed: October 31, 2003
CX OR-04-025-003	CANCELLED			None	
EA OR-04-025-004 Primary Contact: Bill Andersen	Tired Horse Well and Trough	Install well and 16-foot trough	West Wagontire Allotment	None	EA Initiated: October 23, 2003 DR Signed: December 15, 2003
CX OR-04-025-005 Primary Contact: Jim King	French Arnold Ranch LLC Transfer	Transfer permit	Texaco Basin Allotment	None	CX Initiated: November 12, 2003 CX Signed: January 20, 2004

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CX OR-04-025-006 Primary Contact: Nick Miller	Seiloff Dikes Slash Burning	Slash burning/fuels reduction	Iron Mountain	None	CX Initiated: November 17, 2002 CX Signed: November 24, 2003
EA OR-04-025-007 Primary Contact: Bill Andersen	Tree Top Ranch permit transfer and Term Permit	Transfer permit and issue Term Permit	Dry Lake, Hunter, Catterson, Buck Mountain Allotment	None	EA Initiated: November 17, 2003 CX Signed: April 19, 2004
EA OR-04-025-008 Primary Contact: Bill Andersen	Young Land Co Lease Renewal	Renew Section 15 grazing lease	Poison Creek Allotment	None	EA Initiated: November 19, 2003 DR Signed: April 19, 2004
CX OR-04-025-009 Primary Contact: Bill Andersen	Grazing Transfer	Transfer	West Vickers Allotment	None	CX Initiated: November 24, 2003 CX Signed: January 15, 2004
CX OR-04-025-010 Primary Contact: Joe Glascock	Tree Top Ranches Scharff FFR Permit Transfer	Transfer	Scharff FFR	None	CX Initiated: November 24, 2003 CX Signed: Mach 8, 2004
CX OR-04-026-011 Primary Contact: Holly LaChapelle	Harney Electric Cooperative, Inc., Renewal	Renewal of power line	T. 37 S., R. 33 E., Sec. 31, 32	None	CX Initiated: November 25, 2003 CX Signed: December 8, 2003
CX OR-04-025-012 Primary Contact: Jim Buchanan	Cecil Fire Rehabilitation	Native seeding and protection fence	Ryegrass Area	None	CX Initiated: December 3, 2003 CX Signed: December 19, 2003
CX OR-04-025-013 Primary Contact: Angie Foster	Big Stick Fire Rehabilitation	Reseeding 2,500 acres	West Warm Springs	None	CX Initiated: December 3, 2003 CX Signed: December 19, 2003
CX OR-04-025-014 Primary Contact: Skip Renchler	Gumboot Road Reroute	Reroute 600 feet of existing road	Sage Hen Hill T. 23 S., R. 28 E., Sec. 31	None	CX Initiated: December 4, 2003 CX Signed: January 13, 2004
EA OR-04-025-015 Primary Contact: Willie Street	Term Permit Renewal	Issue Term Permit Renewal	Coal Mine Creek House Butte	Biscuitroot ACEC	EA Initiated: December 4, 2003 DR Signed: March 19, 2004

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EA OR-04-025-016 Primary Contact: Willie Street	Term Permit Renewal	Issue Term Permit Renewal	Palomino Butte East Sagehen Allotment	None	EA Initiated: December 4, 2003 DR Signed: March 19, 2004
EA OR-04-025-017 Primary Contact: Willie Street	Term Permit Renewal	Issue Term Permit Renewal	Hat Butte Allotment	None	EA Initiated: December 4, 2003 DR Signed: March 19, 2004
EA OR-04-025-018 Primary Contact: Eric Haakenson	Term Permit Renewal	Issue Term Permit Renewal	Dry Mountain Claw Creek Allotment	Silver Creek Ranch Dry Mountain ACEC.RNA	EA Initiated: December 18, 2003 DR Signed: March 19, 2004
EA OR-04-025-018-1 Primary Contact: Nick Miller	Lake Creek/Boone Canyon Forest Restoration	Removal/thinning of trees for forest health	Silvies River	None	EA Initiated: December 29, 2003 DR Signed: August 4, 2004
EA OR-04-025-019	CANCELLED				
EA OR-04-023-020 Primary Contact: Nick Miller	Term Permit Renewal	Issue Term Permit Renewal	Forks of Poison Creek	None	EA Initiated: January 5, 2004 DR Signed: March 19, 2004
EA OR-04-025-021 Primary Contact: Nick Miller	Term Permit Renewal	Issue Term Permit Renewal	Forks of Poison Creek	None	EA Initiated: January 15, 2004 DR Signed: March 19, 2004
CX OR-04-025-022 Primary Contact: Eric Haakenson	Grazing Transfer	Transfer permit	Claw Creek/ Rimrock Lake Allotments	Dry Mountain RNA	CX Initiated: January 5, 2004 CX Signed: January 30, 2004
CX OR-04-025-023 Primary Contact: Eric Haakenson	Grazing Transfer	Transfer permit	Claw Creek/ Rimrock Lake Allotments	Dry Mountain RNA	CX Initiated: January 5, 2004 CX Signed: January 14, 2004
CX OR-04-026-024 Primary Contact: Holly LaChapelle	Harney Electric Cooperative, Inc.	Trespass (OR-59662) Power Line ROW since 1969	T. 33 S., R. 34 E., Sec. 15, S½N½	WSA	CX Initiated: January 5, 2004 CX Signed: January 7, 2004
DNA OR-04-026-025 Primary Contact: Carolyn Freeborn	Term Permit Renewal	Renew Term Permit Renewal under EA/ AMP	Trout Creek Mountains Allotment	None	DNA Initiated: January 12, 2004 DNA Signed: February 27, 2004
CX OR-04-025-026 Primary Contact: Bill Andersen	Grazing Transfer	Transfer AUMs between bases	Mountain Allotment	None	CX Initiated: January 15, 2004 CX Signed: March 25, 2004
CX OR-04-025-027 Primary Contact: Bill Andersen	Grazing Transfer	Transfer AUMs to another base	Mountain Allotment	None	CX Initiated: January 15, 2004 CX Signed: March 25, 2004

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CX OR-04-025-028 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Willie Street	Grazing Permit Transfer	Transfer	House Butte/ Muddy Creek Allotments	Biscuitroot ACEC	CX Initiated: January 15, 2004 CX Signed: March 29, 2004
CX OR-04-025-029 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Willie Street	Grazing Permit Transfer	Grazing transfer	Weaver Lakes Allotment	None	CX Initiated: January 15, 2004 CX Signed: March 29, 2004
EA OR-04-025-030 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Bill Andersen	Riddle Creek Fence Realignment	Change fenceline and allotment boundary	Riddle Creek Area	None	EA Initiated: January 20, 2004 CX Signed: October 5, 2005
EA OR-04-027-031 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Scott Thomas	Mortar Riddle Site Excavation	Scientific excavation of archaeological site	Riddle Brothers Ranch T. 33 S., R. 32¾ E., Sec. 31	Donner und Blitzen WSR	EA Initiated: January 21, 2004 DR Signed: June 1, 2004
EA OR-04-025-032 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Erik Haakenson	Term Permit Renewal	Issue Term Permit Renewal	Warm Springs Reservoir	None	EA Initiated: January 22, 2004 DR Signed: March 19, 2004
EA OR-04-025-033	CANCELLED				
EA OR-04-025-034 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Willie Street	Moffet Table AMP	Implement change to livestock management	Moffet Table, Bluebucket Creek, Malheur River	Bluebucket WSA	EA Initiated: January 26, 2004 DR Signed: - In progress
CX OR-04-025-035 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Nick Miller	Permit Transfer	Transfer grazing permit	Forks of Poison Creek Allotment	None	CX Initiated: January 26, 2004 CX Signed: May 4, 2004
CX OR-04-025-036 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Jim King	Permit Transfer	Transfer of grazing permit	Texaco Basin Allotment	None	CX Initiated: February 9, 2004 CX Signed: March 24, 2004
EA OR-04-025-037 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Jim King	Slocum AMP/EA	Implement change to livestock management	Slocum Allotment	None	EA Initiated: February 9, 2004 DR Signed: October 4, 2004
EA OR-04-025-038 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Angie Foster	Shed Reforestation Project	1,500 acres of thinning and piling	Silvies T. 17. S., R. 31 E., Sec. 11,14,15,22 Hopper T. 18 S., R. 32 E., Sec. 3, 4	None	EA Initiated: February 11, 2004 DR Signed: April 7, 2005
EA OR-04-027-039 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Cam Swisher	New Hog Well	New well/pipeline (¼-mile)	Krumbo Seedings	CMPA	EA Initiated: February 11, 2004 DR Signed: April 6, 2004
EA OR-04-025-040 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Lindsay Ashim	Egli Reservoir Waterfowl Habitat Improvement	Fence a reservoir and build a road around	East Wagontire Allotment	None	EA Initiated: February 13, 2004 DR Signed: September 20, 2004

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CX OR-04-025-041 Primary Contact: Bill Andersen	Permit Transfer	Transfer permit due to base property lease	Lime Kiln/Poison Creek	None	CX Initiated: February 18, 2004 CX Signed: March 19, 2004
CX OR-04-026-042 Primary Contact: Holly LaChapelle	Proposed Rock Creek Ranch, Inc., Land Exchange	Federal ROW reservation	W.M. T. 33 S., R. 30 E., Sec. 22, 20	None	CX Initiated: February 25, 2004 CX Signed: March 1, 2004
EA OR-04-025-043	CANCELLED				
EA OR-04-025-044 Primary Contact: Don Rotell	Devine Ridge/ Forks of Poison Creek Vegetation Management	Burning, range improvement, fuels reduction	Devine Ridge/Forks of Poison Creek	None	EA Initiated: March 4, 2004 DR Signed: December 6, 2004
CX OR-04-025-045 Primary Contact: Bill Andersen	Grazing Transfer	Transfer permitted use to new base	Skull Creek and Hay Creek Allotments	None	CX Initiated: March 9, 2004 CX Signed: May 4, 2004
CX OR-04-025-046 Primary Contact: Bill Andersen	Grazing Transfer	Transfer permitted use to new base	Skull Creek Allotment	None	CX Initiated: March 9, 2004 CX Signed: May 4, 2004
CX OR-04-025-047 Primary Contact: Holly LaChapelle	Pinecraft Timber Sale Access	Easements with reciprocal ROWs	Hwy 20/Buchanan Area up to USFS boundary	None	CX Initiated: March 17, 2004 CX Signed: March 22, 2004
CX OR-04-025-048	CANCELLED				
CX OR-04-025-049	CANCELLED				
CX OR-04-026-050 Primary Contact: Rick Hall	Grazing Permit Transfer	Permit transfer	Sandhills Allotment	None	CX Initiated: March 19, 2004 CX Signed: March 26, 2004
CX OR-04-027-051	CANCELLED				
CX OR-04-025-052 Primary Contact: Angie Foster	Buzzard Creek Prescribed Burn	Burning, rangeland improvement	Buzzard Creek/ south of Iron Mountain	None	CX Initiated: March 22, 2004 CX Signed: September 16, 2004
CX OR-04-026-053	CANCELLED				
CX OR-04-026-054	CANCELLED				
CX OR-04-025-055 Primary Contact: Bill Andersen	Grazing Transfer	Transfer permitted use to new base	Skull Creek/Double O Allotments	None	CX Initiated: March 31, 2004 CX Signed: May 4, 2004
CX OR-04-027-056 Primary Contact: Joe Glascock	Waterhole Cleanout Ruby Springs Allotment	Cleanout	Ruby Springs Allotment	CMPA	CX Initiated: April 6, 2004 CX Signed: April 14, 2004
CX OR-027-04-057 Primary Contact: Joe Glascock	Chimney Rehabilitation Fence	Construct ¾-mile of temporary fence	Chimney Allotment	CMPA	CX Initiated: April 6, 2004 CX Signed: April 14, 2004

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EA OR-04-025-058 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Jim King	Upton Mountain EA/AMP	AMP	Upton Mountain Allotment	None	EA Initiated: April 21, 2004 DR Signed: April 13, 2006
EA OR-04-025-059	CANCELLED				
CX OR-026-04-060 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Joe Glascock	Alvord Waterhole Cleanout	Cleanout	Alvord Desert	None	CX Initiated: April 22, 2004 CX Signed: April 27, 2004
CX OR-04-025-061 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Lesley Richman	Medusahead Research Project	Establish fence research plots	Warm Springs Research Area	None	CX Initiated: April 26, 2004 CX Signed: May 3, 2004
CX OR-04-026-062 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Evelyn Treiman	Paradise Birding SRP	Issue SRP	Burns District	CMPA, ONA	EA Initiated: April 27, 2004 DR Signed: April 28, 2004
CX OR-04-025-063 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Skip Renchler	Allington Road Use Agreement	Log haul on 2 miles existing road	East Mill Creeks T. 22 S., R. 32 E., Sec. 2, 11, 14	None	EA Initiated: April 30, 2004 DR Signed: May 5, 2004
CX OR-04-025-064 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Lindsay Ashim	Poison Creek Reservoir Planting	Plant cottonwoods	Silvies Valley/Poison Creek Reservoir	None	CX Initiated: May 5, 2004 CX Signed: May 19, 2004
CX OR-04-027-065 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Joe Glascock	Ruby Springs Prescribed Burns	Prescribed burn/ fuels reduction	Ruby Springs Allotment	CMPA	CX Initiated: May 7, 2004 CX Signed: May 17, 2004
CX OR-04-025-066 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Skip Renchler	Stinkingwater Wind Test Site	Install tower and equipment for wind monitoring	Stinkingwater T. 23 S., R. 37 E., Sec. 15	None	CX Initiated: May 10, 2004 CX Signed: June 22, 2004
EA OR-04-025-067 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Willie Street	Jack Creek Restoration East Warm Springs AMP	Well, fencing riparian Exclosure	East Warm Springs Allotment	None	EA Initiated: May 17, 2004 DR Signed: April 7, 2005
EA OR-04-027-068	CANCELLED				
EA OR-04-027-069 <i>Primary Contact:</i> John Neeling	OMSI/DTA SRP	Issue SRP to OMSI/DTA for backpacking, camping, and stock use	CMPA	CMPA, Wilderness, WSAs	EA Initiated: May 20, 2004 DR Signed: May 25, 2004
CX OR-04-025-070 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Dan Ridenour	Three Rivers Hazardous Fuel Reduction	Fuel reduction	Throughout Three Rivers RA	None	CX Initiated: June 14, 2004 CX Signed: September 15, 2004
CX OR-04-026-071 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Holly LaChapelle	Maintenance Technician Butte, Montana	Seismic survey	T. 37 S., R. 33 E., Sec. 14, NWNW	Borax Lake Area (TNC)	CX Initiated: June 16, 2004 CX Signed: June 25, 2004

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CX OR-04-025-072 Primary Contact: Fred McDonald	Burns Butte Sportsmen's Club 3-E Shoot Silvies Valley	Archery shoot	Silvies Valley	None	CX Initiated: June 16, 2004 CX Signed: June 18, 2004
CX OR-04-025-073 Primary Contact: Bruce Hazen	Wickiup Wire Removal	Remove old wire for Wickiup Creek banks	Wickiup Creek 15 miles north of Riley	None	CX Initiated: June 24, 2004 CX Signed: July 19, 2004
CX OR-04-026-074 Primary Contact: Holly LaChapelle	Harney Electric Cooperative	Power line to private residence	T. 40 S., R. 35 E., Sec. 23	None	CX Initiated: June 29, 2004 CX Signed: August 3, 2004
CX OR-04-025-075 Primary Contact: Skip Renchler	Road ROW	Grant ROW for construction of ¼-mile road	T. 27 S., R. 35 E., Sec. 7	None	CX Initiated: July 13, 2004 CX Signed: August 3, 2004
CX OR-04-026-076 Primary Contact: Eric Haakenson	Vegetation Enhancement in Fields Seeding Pasture	Brush beat and seed in Fields Pasture	North Pueblo Mountains	None	CX Initiated: July 30, 2004 CX Signed: March 1, 2005
CX OR-04-026-077 Primary Contact: Eric Haakenson	Redrill Mann Lake Well #2	Redrill Mann Lake Well #2	Alvord Desert	None	EA Initiated: July 30, 2004 DR Signed: September 21, 2004
CX OR-04-025-078 Primary Contact: Skip Renchler	Malheur Lumber Ponderosa Log Haul	Issue Road Use Agreement to all hauls of 300 mbf across BLM	Silvies Valley	None	CX Initiated: August 11, 2004 CX Signed: August 19, 2004
EA OR-027-04-079	CANCELLED				
CX OR-04-026-080 Primary Contact: Eric Haakenson	Transfer Grazing	Grazing permit transfer for Fields Allotment	Pueblo/Lone Mountain	None	EA Initiated: September 13, 2004 DR Signed: November 8, 2004
CX OR-04-027-081 Primary Contact: Rhonda Karges	Cooperative Management Agreement	Placement of gates and boulders to close routes	Private property T. 32 S., R. 33 E., Sec. 28	None	CX Initiated: September 16, 2004 CX Signed: October 8, 2004
EA OR-026-04-082	CANCELLED				
CX OR-04-026-083 Primary Contact: Evelyn Treiman	Triple H Hunting SRP	Issue SRP	Burns District except CMPA	None	CX Initiated: September 22, 2004 CX Signed: September 28, 2004
NEPA Initiated in FY05					
EA OR-05-026-001	CANCELLED				
EA OR-05-027-002	CANCELLED				
EA OR-05-025-003	CANCELLED				

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CX OR-05-025-004 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Jayna Counts	Beaver Creek Waterhole Cleaning	Clean waterholes	Beaver Creek Allotment	None	CX Initiated: October 26, 2004 CX Signed: December 2, 2004
CX OR-05-025-005 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Jayna Counts	Capehart Lake Waterhole Cleaning	Silver Lake, Juniper Ridge Capehart Lake clean waterholes	Capehart Lake Allotment	None	CX Initiated: October 26, 2004 CX Signed: September 9, 2005
CX OR-05-025-006 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Jim King	Basque Flat Seeding	Seed ~ 2,000 acres	West Warm Springs Allotment	None	CX Initiated: October 27, 2004 CX Signed: November 4, 2004
CX OR-05-025-007 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Lisa Norfolk	Reservoir Maintenance 2005	Cleaning and bentonite waterholes	Happy Valley, Hamilton, and Coleman Creek Allotments	None	CX Initiated: October 27, 2004 CX Signed: November 4, 2004
EA OR-05-025-008 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Willie Street	Term Permit Renewal	Issue Term Permit Renewal	Weaver Lakes Allotment	Palomino Butte HMA	EA Initiated: November 1, 2004 DR Signed: March 23, 2005
EA or-05-025-009 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Willie Street	Term Permit Renewal	Issue Term Permit Renewal	Clarks River Allotment	None	EA Initiated: November 1, 2004 DR Signed: March 23, 2005
EA OR-05-025-010 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Willie Street	Term Permit Renewal	Issue Term Permit Renewal	Cowing FFR Allotment	None	EA Initiated: November 1, 2004 DR Signed: March 23, 2005
EA OR-05-025-011 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Willie Street	Term Permit Renewal	Issue Term Permit Renewal	East Warm Springs Allotment	ACEC, Warm Springs HMA	EA Initiated: November 1, 2004 DR Signed: March 23, 2005
EA OR-05-025-012 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Willie Street	Term Permit Renewal	Issue Term Permit Renewal	East Warm Springs Allotment	ACEC, Warm Springs HMA	EA Initiated: November 1, 2004 DR Signed: March 23, 2005
EA OR-05-025-013 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Willie Street	Term Permit Renewal	Issue Term Permit Renewal	East Warm Springs Allotment	ACEC, Warm Springs HMA	EA Initiated: November 1, 2004 DR Signed: March 23, 2005
EA OR-05-025-014 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Willie Street	Term Permit Renewal	Issue Term Permit Renewal	East Warm Springs Allotment	ACEC, Warm Springs HMA	EA Initiated: November 9, 2004 DR Signed: March 23, 2005
CX OR-05-025-015 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Jayna Counts	Cattleguard Installation	Install six cattleguards	Front Country, Pine Creek, State Field, Camp Harney Allotments	ACEC – Bitterroot	CX Initiated: November 10, 2004 CX Signed: December 2, 2004

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CX OR-05-025-016 Primary Contact: Skip Renchler	Reciprocal ROW and Easement	Grant ROW and acquire easement on existing road	Moon Reservoir Road, T. 25 S., R. 28 E.	None	CX Initiated: November 10, 2004 CX Signed: November 16, 2004
CX OR-05-025-017 Primary Contact: Skip Renchler	OTEC Power Line Maintenance Temporary Road	Grant TUP for construction of temporary road to access power line	Burns Butte Shooting Range	None	CX Initiated: November 12, 2004 CX Signed: November 22, 2004
EA OR-05-025-018 Primary Contact: Lisa Norfolk	Grazing Permit Renewal	Issue 10-year term grazing permit	Skull Creek Area Allotments, etc.	None	EA Initiated: November 15, 2004 DR Signed: March 23, 2005
CX OR-05-025-019 Primary Contact: Jayna Counts	Base Transfer	Switch base property and permits	Horton Mill Allotment	None	CX Initiated: November 15, 2004 CX Signed: February 11, 2005
DNA OR-05-025-020 Primary Contact: Matt Obradovich	West Wagontire Brush Beating	Brush beat approximately 2,000 acres in West Wagontire Allotment	West Wagontire Allotment near Tired Horse Butte	None	DNA Initiated: November 15, 2004 DNA Signed: November 17, 2004
EA OR-05-027-021 Primary Contact: Mark Sherbourne	Steens Mountain Travel Management Plan	TMP	Steens Mountain	CMPA, Wilderness, WSAs, RNA	EA Initiated: November 17, 2004 DR Signed: - In progress, decision expected early FY08
EA OR-05-025-022	CANCELLED				
EA OR-05-025-023 Primary Contact: Jim King	Term Permit Renewal	Issue Term Permit Renewal	Virginia Valley Allotment	None	EA Initiated: November 17, 2004 DR Signed: March 23, 2005
EA OR-05-025-024	CANCELLED				
EA OR-05-025-025	CANCELLED				
EA OR-05-025-026	CANCELLED				
EA OR-05-025-027 Primary Contact: Lisa Grant	Smyth-Kiger AMP/ EA	AMP	Smyth-Kiger Allotment	Kiger HMA	EA Initiated: November 30, 2004 DR Signed: - In progress
CX OR-05-027-028 Primary Contact: Matt Obradovich	Supplemental Transplant of Bighorn Sheep into Mann Creek Area	Transplant 20 to 25 bighorn sheep into Mann Creek to supplement existing herd	Mann Creek Area, T. 32 S., R. 34 E.,		

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Sec. 27, 28	High Steens WSA OR-2-85F	CX Initiated: December 1, 2004 CX Signed: December 3, 2004			
EA OR-05-025-029 Primary Contact: Lisa Grant	Term Permit Renewal	Issue Term Permit Renewal	Alder Creek Allotment	None	EA Initiated: December 15, 2004 DR Signed: March 23, 2005
EA OR-05-025-030	CANCELLED				
EA OR-05-025-031	CANCELLED				
EA OR-05-025-032	CANCELLED				
EIS OR-05-027-033 Primary Contact: Doug Linn	North Steens Ecosystem Restoration Project	Habitat restoration fire/mechanical treatment	North Steens	CMPA, WSA, Wilderness	EIS initiated January 12, 2005 ROD signed September 26, 2007
EA OR-05-027-034 Primary Contact: Cam Swisher	East Hogwallow Division Fence	Fence construction 2 miles	Krumbo Allotment East Hogwallow Pasture	CMPA	EA Initiated: January 13, 2005 DR Signed: March 8, 2005
EA OR-05-025-035 Primary Contact: Jayna Counts	West Wagontire Grazing Management Project AMP/EA	Change to winter use well, waterhole, fence	West Wagontire Allotment	None	EA Initiated: January 14, 2005 DR Signed: October 27, 2005
CX OR-05-025-036 Primary Contact: Jayna Counts	Grazing Transfer	Transfer base property and permit from Clayton King to Larry Maxwell	West Wagontire Allotment	None	CX Initiated: January 18, 2005 CX Signed: February 11, 2005
CX OR-05-025-037 Primary Contact: Jayna Counts	Grazing Transfer	Transfer base property and permit	Rock Creek Allotment	None	CX Initiated: January 18, 2005 CX Signed: March 16, 2005
EA OR-05-025-038 Primary Contact: Don Rotell	Miller Canyon, Mahon Creek Rangeland Restoration	Treat 7,000 acres to reduce juniper	Miller Canyon/ Mahon Creek Allotments	Biscuitroot ACEC	EA Initiated: February 1, 2005 DR Signed: August 18, 2005
EA OR-05-025-039 Primary Contact: Lisa Grant	Term Permit Renewal #2	Issue Term Permit Renewal	Dry Lake #7009 Allotment	None	EA Initiated: January 26, 2005 DR Signed: - On hold
CX OR-05-025-040 Primary Contact: Holly LaChapelle	ROW	ROW	Rattlesnake Creek T. 21 S., R. 32½ E., Sec. 29	None	CX Initiated: January 27, 2005 CX Signed: February 1, 2005
CX OR-05-025-041 Primary Contact: Angie Foster	North Central Fuels Reduction Project	Reduce fuel loads	Dry Mountain to Bluebucket	None	CX Initiated: January 31, 2005 CX Signed: December 14, 2005

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CX OR-05-025-042 Primary Contact: Terri Geisler	Radar Hill Borrow Pit Rehabilitation	Rehabilitation area 400 feet by 125 feet and two access roads	Radar Hill T. 23 S., R. 30 E., Sec. 20, NW	None	CX Initiated: February 3, 2005 CX Signed: February 7, 2005
CX OR-05-026-043 Primary Contact: Terri Geisler	Long Hollow Summit Exploratory Drilling	Drill 15 holes 2½-inch diameter, examine cuttings	T. 37 S., R. 32¾ E., Sec. 21, NE	None	CX Initiated: February 10, 2005 CX Signed: March 22, 2005
CX OR-05-025-044 Primary Contact: Willie Street	Grazing Permit Transfer	Grazing permit transfer	Lone Pine Allotment	None	CX Initiated: February 25, 2005 CX Signed: April 4, 2005
CX OR-05-027-045 Primary Contact: Matt Obradovich	Mountain Quail Transplant Page Springs	Reintroduction of mountain quail	Page Springs	CMPA, WJMA	CX Initiated: March 3, 2005 CX Signed: March 8, 2005
CX OR-05-025-046 Primary Contact: Jayna Counts	Williams Cattleguard	Install a cattleguard	North Rock Creek Allotment	None	CX Initiated: March 8, 2005 CX Signed: March 15, 2005
CX OR-05-025-047 Primary Contact: Jayna Counts	Grazing Permit Transfer	Transfer Lime Kiln Allotment	Lime Kiln Allotment	None	CX Initiated: March 8, 2005 CX Signed: March 15, 2005
EA OR-05-025-048 Primary Contact: Jayna Counts	Term Permit Renewal	Issue Term Permit Renewal	Lime Kiln Allotment	None	EA Initiated: March 9, 2005 DR Signed: March 24, 2005
CX OR-05-025-049	CANCELLED				
CX OR-05-025-050	CANCELLED				
CX OR-05-025-051	CANCELLED				
CX OR-05-025-052 Primary Contact: Jim King	Grazing Transfer	Transfer Virginia Valley permit	Virginia Valley Allotment	None	CX Initiated: March 10, 2005 CX Signed: April 18, 2005
CX OR-05-025-053	CANCELLED				
CX OR-05-025-054 Primary Contact: Dan Ridenour	Chickahominy/ Moon Dams Fire	Burn off weeds	At dam	None	EA Initiated: March 16, 2005 DR Signed: March 22, 2005
CX OR-05-025-055 Primary Contact: Lisa Grant	Bitterweed Reservoir Maintenance	Clean and bentonite	Alder Creek Pasture, Alder Creek Allotment	None	CX Initiated: March 24, 2005 CX Signed: March 31, 2005
CX OR-05-025-056 Primary Contact: Lisa Grant	Horse Road Cattleguard	Install cattleguard	Government Field Happy Valley Allotment	CMPA	CX Initiated: March 24, 2005 CX Signed: March 31, 2005
EA OR-05-025-057 Primary Contact: Lisa Grant	Jones Dripp Spring AMP/EA	AMP changing grazing system	Jones Dripp Allotment	None	EA Initiated: March 25, 2005 DR Signed: September 8, 2005

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EA OR-05-025-058 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Fred McDonald	Palomino Butte Horse Gathering EA	Horse gathering	Palomino Butte	None	EA Initiated: March 25, 2005 DR Signed: August 5, 2005
EA OR-05-027-059 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Joe Glascock	Term Permit Renewal	Issue Term Permit Renewal	Scharff FFR	CMPA	EA Initiated: March 31, 2005 DR Signed: August 15, 2005
CX OR-05-025-060 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Jayna Counts	Grazing Transfer	Transfer base property	Cluster Allotment #7017	None	CX Initiated: April 5, 2005 CX Signed: April 11, 2005
EA OR-05-025-061 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Dustin Johnson	Mountain AMP	AMP changing grazing system	Mountain Allotment #5532	Stinkingwater HMA	EA Initiated: April 5, 2005 DR Signed: May 23, 2007
CX OR-05-025-062 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Lisa Grant	Allotment Transfer	Base property lease	Hayes Allotment	None	CX Initiated: April 6, 2005 CX Signed: May 19, 2005
CX OR-05-025-063 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Lisa Grant	West Field (Barton Lake) Seeding Rehabilitation	Reseed approximately			
500 acres within original Barton Lake Seeding	Happy Valley Allotment #5309	None	CX Initiated: April 25, 2005 CX Signed: May 4, 2005		
CX OR-05-025-064 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Scott Thomas	Lost Dune Protection Enclosure	Build fence (0.85- mile) around Lost Dune Site	South Jackass Butte Pasture/Alkali Field	None	CX Initiated: May 5, 2005 CX Signed: May 27, 2005
CX OR-05-025-065	CANCELLED				
CX OR-05-025-066 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Jayna Counts	Druitt Field #5546 Transfer	Druitt Field transfer	Druitt Field #5546	None Known	CX Initiated: May 10, 2005 CX Signed: May 16, 2005
CX OR-05-025-067 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Lindsay Davies	Landing Creek Wildlife Enclosures	Fence total of 5 acres for vegetation protection	Landing Creek	None	CX Initiated: May 10, 2005 CX Signed: May 21, 2005
CX OR-05-027-068 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Rhonda Karges/ John Petty	Bridge Painting	Repaint bridges Blitzen and East Canal Crossings	Blitzen River and East Canal Crossings	None	CX Initiated: May 13, 2005 CX Signed: May 16, 2005
EA OR-05-025-069 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Nick Miller	East Silvies Rangeland Restoration	Forest treatment, removal of juniper and understory 10,000 acres, treat 40 to 60 percent	Landing Creek, Cave Gulch, East Silvies Allotments	None	EA Initiated: May 17, 2005 DR Signed: September 1, 2005
DNA OR-05-025- 070 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Skip Renchler	RCC Holdings Jack Mountain Cellular	Prefab building and 50-foot tower on Jack Mountain Communication Site	Jack Mountain	None	DNA Initiated: May 17, 2005 DNA Signed: June 22, 2005

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EA OR-05-027-071 Primary Contact: Mark Sherbourne	Willow Creek (East Steens) WSA Road Reroute	Reroute road to prevent resource damage	Willow Creek	High Steens WSA	EA Initiated: May 23, 2005 DR Signed: May 7, 2007
EA OR-05-026-072 Primary Contact: Eric Haakenson	Pass Creek Riparian Pasture	Construct 2 miles of riparian pasture fence to create pasture	North Pueblos, Fields Basin Allotment	None	EA Initiated: May 24, 2005 DR Signed: April 18, 2007
CX OR-05-027-073 Primary Contact: Scott Thomas	Riddle Brothers Ranch Headquarters Toilet	Replace existing toilet with RomTec	Riddle Brothers Ranch National Historic District Headquarters	Donner und Blitzen WSR	CX Initiated: May 26, 2005 CX Signed: August 1, 2005
CX OR-05-026-074 Primary Contact: Evelyn Treiman	Western WAU SRP	Research and field courses	Southwest of Borax Lake	None	CX Initiated: June 3, 2005 CX Signed: June 6, 2005
CX OR-05-025-075 Primary Contact: Fred McDonald	Burns Butte Sportsmen's Club	3-D Archery Shoot	East of Silvies Valley	None	CX Initiated: June 7, 2005 CX Signed: June 23, 2005
EA OR-05-027-076 Primary Contact: Cam Swisher	Trough and Refuge Pipeline	Install buried pipeline and trough	Southeast of Frenchglen, Oregon	Steens CMPA	EA Initiated: June 10, 2005 DR Signed: September 26, 2005
EA OR-05-027-077 Primary Contact: Cam Swisher	Hardie Summer Division Fences	Construct 4 miles of new fence and remove 4 miles of old fence	Hardie Summer Allotment	None	EA Initiated: June 10, 2005 DR Signed: December 5, 2005
DNA OR-05-027-078 Primary Contact: Holly LaChapelle	Deschutes River Campaign Film Permit	Alvord Desert still photography	Alvord WSA Desert	Alvord WSA	DNA Initiated: June 16, 2005 DNA Signed: June 17, 2005
EA OR-05-025-078-1 Primary Contact: Gary McFadden	Stinkingwater Gather Plan	Wild horse gather	Stinkingwater HMA	Biscuitroot ACEC	EA Initiated: June 16, 2005 DR Signed: August 1, 2005
CX OR-05-015-079 Primary Contact: Scott Thomas	Theknous Site Protective Enclosure	Fence an archaeological site from livestock trampling	Silvies Valley, Harney-Grant Co	Site 2147 SI	CX Initiated: June 20, 2005 CX Signed: June 28, 2005
EA OR-05-020-080 Primary Contact: Evelyn Treiman	Maintenance of Range Improvements in WSA	Maintain range improvements in WSAs	Burns District, mostly 026 and 027	WSAs	EA Initiated: June 22, 2005 DR Signed: November 8, 2005
EA OR-05-027-081 Primary Contact: Darren Brumback	Moon Hill Road Realignment	Relocate road away from meadow/stabilize stream crossings	Moon Hill Road near Moon Hill	CMPA	EA Initiated: June 23, 2005 DR Signed: March 15, 2006
DNA OR-05-026-082 Primary Contact: Rhonda Karges	Longhollow Mineral Material (Community Pit)	Sand and gravel	Longhollow Summit Area	None	DNA Initiated: July 5, 2005 DNA Signed: July 19, 2005

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CX OR-05-025-083 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Jim Buchanan	Basque Well Prescribed Burn and Seeding	4,200-acre burn/ seeding	West Warm Springs Allotment	None	CX Initiated: July 18, 2005 CX Signed: July 25, 2005
CX OR-05-025-084	CANCELLED				
EA OR-05-027-085 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Mark Sherbourne	Snowmobile and Berrington Trail Access Analysis	Inholder Access	CMPA	CMPA, Wilderness	EA Initiated: October 21, 2004 DR Signed: - On Hold
EA OR-05-025-086 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Terri Geisler	Malheur Flatstone MPO	Mine flat rock outside of Pine Creek Decorative Stone Community Pit	T. 21 S., R. 33 E., Sec. 2, NW and Sec. 3, NE	None	EA Initiated: July 8, 2005 DR Signed: July 10, 2006
CX OR-05-025-087 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Willie Street	Muddy Creek Cattleguard	Install cattleguard on forest boundary	Muddy Creek Allotment	None	CX Initiated: July 14, 2005 CX Signed: February 3, 2006
DNA OR-05-026-088 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Eric Haakenson	Outfitter SRP	Big game guide	South end Andrews RA	Possible WSAs	DNA Initiated: July 14, 2005 DNA Signed: August 1, 2005
DNA OR-05-026-089 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Eric Haakenson	Outfitter SRP	Big game guide	South end Andrews RA	Possible WSAs	DNA Initiated: July 14 2005 DNA Signed: July 27, 2005
CX OR-05-025-090 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Skip Renchler	Harney Electric ROW Renewals	Renew existing power line ROWs	The Narrows, Princeton	None	CX Initiated: August 9, 2005 CX Signed: august 11, 2005
CX OR-05-026-091 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Eric Haakenson	Broughton to Atkinson	Transfer grazing permit	Pollock Allotment	WSAs	CX Initiated: August 10, 2005 CX Signed: August 22, 2005
CX OR-05-025-092 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Lisa Grant	2006 Reservoir Maintenance and Reconstruction	Maintenance and reconstruction of reservoirs	Three Rivers	None	CX Initiated: August 18, 2005 CX Signed: August 30, 2005
CX OR-05-025-093 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Jayna Counts	Reservoir Maintenance and Reconstruction	Maintenance and reconstruction of reservoirs	Juniper Ridge and Silver Lake Allotments	None	CX Initiated: August 24, 2005 CX Signed: September 21, 2005
CX OR-05-025-094	CANCELLED				
CX OR-05-027-095 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Cam Swisher	Ruby Springs Seeding Maintenance	Approximately 1,000 acres	Krumbo Allotment	CMPA	CX Initiated: September 28, 2005 CX Signed: October 19, 2005
NEPA Initiated in FY06					
EA OR-06-027-001 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Jeff Rose	Little Bridge Creek Fire Rehabilitation	Seeding and planting 1,210 acres	Steens Mountain	CMPA	EA Initiated: October 1, 2005 DR Signed: November 1, 2005

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CX OR-06-027-002 Primary Contact: Joe Glascock	South Steens Waterhole Cleanout and Maintenance	Clean and repair waterholes	South Steens Allotment #6002	CMPA	CX Initiated: October 5, 2005 CX Signed: January 3, 2006
EA OR-06-027-002-1 Primary Contact: Jeff Rose	Bone Breaker Fire Rehabilitation	Seeding and fence	Steens Mountain	CMPA	EA Initiated: October 5, 2005 DR Signed: November 1, 2005
EA OR-06-025-003 Primary Contact: Willie Street	North Voltage Fire Emergency Stabilization	Seeding and fencing	Princeton Allotment	N/A	EA Initiated: October 3, 2005 DR Signed: November 1, 2005
EA OR-06-027-004 Primary Contact: Jeff Rose	Fir Creek Fire Emergency Stabilization	Rehabilitation	Fir Creek Steens	CMPA	EA Initiated: October 18, 2005 DR Signed: January 11, 2006
CX OR-06-026-005 Primary Contact: Holly LaChapelle	Fields Administrative Site Access Easement	Acquire Road Easements	Fields, Oregon	None	CX Initiated: October 10, 2005 CX Signed: October 10, 2005
EA OR-06-026-006 Primary Contact: David Ward	Trout Creek Mountain Spring Reconstruction	Modified - Reconstruct 1 spring/reservoir	Trout Creek Mountains	None	EA Initiated: October 19, 2005 DR Signed: - 12/19/2007
CX OR-06-025-007 Primary Contact: Skip Renchler	Harney County Road ROW Conversion	Grant ROW for existing County roads	Sodhouse Lane, South Harney Lake, and Quincy Roads	None	CX Initiated: July 21, 2005 CX Signed: December 9, 2005
EA OR-06-025-008 Primary Contact: Lisa Grant	Sheep Mountain Fire Rehabilitation	Seeding/fencing	Sheep Mountain Roundtop Butte, and East Wagontire Allotments	None	EA Initiated: October 6, 2005 DR Signed: November 2, 2005
DNA OR-06-025-009 Primary Contact: David Spaeth	West Warm Springs Sagebrush Treatment	Brush beating on 3,000 to 4,000 acres to improve vegetation	West Warm Springs Allotment	None	DNA Initiated: November 1, 2005 DNA Signed: November 2, 2005
EA OR-06-025-010 Primary Contact: David Spaeth	Buzzard Fire Fence	Construct 3 miles of fence in a seeding	West Warm Springs Allotment	None	EA Initiated: November 3, 2005 DR Signed: November 14, 2005
CX OR-06-026-011 Primary Contact: Joe Glascock	Grazing Transfer	Grazing transfer	Basque Hills Allotment	Basque Hills WSA	CX Initiated: November 7, 2005 CX Signed: December 14, 2005
CX OR-06-027-012 Primary Contact: Eric Haakenson	Grazing Transfer	Grazing transfer	New Bone Creek Allotment	Steens Wilderness	CX Initiated: November 7, 2005 CX Signed: December 1, 2006

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EA OR-06-025-013 Primary Contact: Nick Miller	Dry Lake Allotment Rangeland Restoration Project	Juniper removal, pine thinning, prescribed burning	Dry Lake Allotment	None	EA Initiated: November 15, 2005 DR Signed: April 16, 2007
CX OR-06-025-014 Primary Contact: Don Rotell	Cut Juniper Hazard Abatement Area	Treat downed juniper	Various locations	None	CX Initiated: November 21, 2005 CX Signed: December 13, 2005
CX OR-06-025-015 Primary Contact: Lindsay Davies	Malheur River Black Cottonwood Restoration	Plant and "fence" at various locations	River Allotment	None	CX Initiated: November 21, 2005 CX Signed: December 22, 2005
CX OR-06-027-016 Primary Contact: Doug Linn	WJMA Fuels Exp	Juniper	CMPA	CMPA/WJMA	CX Initiated: November 21, 2005 CX Signed: November 29, 2005
CX OR-06-027-017 Primary Contact: Holly Orr	Acquisition	5-acre acquisition in Steens Wilderness	Carlson Creek	Wilderness	CX Initiated: November 22, 2005 Date signed December 19, 2005
CX OR-06-026-018 Primary Contact: Holly Orr	Harney Electric Cooperative Power Line ROW	Pre FLPMA to FLPMA ROW (2)	1. Rock Creek Road 2. Malheur Gap	None	CX Initiated: November 22, 2005 CX Signed: November 30, 2005
EA OR-06-027-019	CANCELLED				
CX OR-06-025-020 Primary Contact: Don Rotell	Fire Prone Cultural Sites	Reduce hazardous fuels to protect cultural sites	Various	None	CX Initiated: December 1, 2005 CX Signed: March 10, 2006
EA OR-06-025-021 Primary Contact: Lisa Grant	Riverside AMP	Grazing management	Riverside Allotment	None	EA Initiated: December 7, 2005 DR Signed: April 30, 2007
EA OR-06-027-022 Primary Contact: Lindsay Davies	5 Creeks Rangeland Restoration Project	Vegetation manipulation	North Steens	CMPA	EA Initiated: December 20, 2005 DR Signed: October 18, 2006

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EA OR-06-026-023 Primary Contact: Rhonda Karges	Frenchglen Shooting Closure	Permanently close area ¼-mile around Frenchglen to shoot	Frenchglen – Harney County	Blitzen River WSA	EA Initiated: December 20, 2006 DR Signed: June 15, 2006
CX OR-06-025-024 Primary Contact: Jayna Ferrell	Grazing Transfer	Transfer Stinger Creek preference and base	Stinger Creek Allotment	None	CX Initiated: December 28, 2005 CX Signed: January 19, 2006
CX OR-06-025-025 Primary Contact: Jayna Ferrell	Grazing Transfer	Transfer preference and base	East Vickers Allotment	None	CX Initiated: July 21, 2005 CX Signed: January 19, 2006
CX OR-06-025-026 Primary Contact: Jayna Ferrell	Grazing Trust Permit Transfer	Transfer preference and lease	Stinkingwaters	HMA	CX Initiated: July 21, 2005 CX Signed: January 19, 2006
CX OR-06-025-027 Primary Contact: Willie Street	Grazing Permit Transfer	Grazing transfer	House Butte Allotment	Biscuitroot RNA	CX Initiated: January 3, 2006 CX Signed: March 14, 2006
CX OR-06-025-028 Primary Contact: Willie Street	Grazing Permit Transfer	Permit transfer	East Warm Springs Allotment	Foster Flat and Narrows RNA/ ACECs	CX Initiated: January 9, 2006 CX Signed: February 3, 2006
EA OR-06-025-029 Primary Contact: Dustin Johnson	Pine Creek AMP	Implement a new grazing system	Pine Creek Allotment	Biscuitroot ACEC	EA Initiated: January 12, 2006 DR Signed: - in progress
EA OR-06-026-030 Primary Contact: Joe Glascock	Basque Hills AMP	Changing terms and condition	Basque Hills Allotment #6042	Basque Hills WSA	EA Initiated: January 13, 2006 DR Signed: - In progress, decision expected early FY08
EA OR-06-025-031 Primary Contact: Jayna Ferrell	Term Permit Renewal	Issue Term Permit Renewal	Emmerson Allotment	None	EA Initiated: January 17, 2006 DR Signed: April 6, 2006
EA OR-06-025-032 Primary Contact: Jayna Ferrell	Term Permit Renewal	Issue Term Permit Renewal	Rock Creek Allotment	None	EA Initiated: January 17, 2006 DR Signed: April 6, 2006
EA OR-06-025-033	CANCELLED				
EA OR-06-025-034 Primary Contact: Nick Miller	Term Permit Renewal EA	Issue Term Permit Renewal	Devine Ridge and Prather Creek Allotments	None	EA Initiated: January 17, 2006 DR Signed: April 6, 2006
EA OR-06-025-035 Primary Contact: Nick Miller	Term Permit Renewal	Issue Term Permit Renewal	Forks of Poison Creek	None	EA Initiated: January 17, 2006 DR Signed: April 6, 2006

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EA OR-06-025-036 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Lisa Grant	Term Permit Renewal	Issue Term Permit Renewal	Jones Dripp Springs Allotment	None	EA Initiated: January 17, 2006 DR Signed: April 16, 2006
EA OR-06-025-037 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Lisa Grant	Term Permit Renewal	Issue Term Permit Renewal	Riddle Mountain Allotment	CMPA	EA Initiated: January 17, 2006 DR Signed: - On hold
EA OR-06-025-038 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Lisa Grant	Term Permit Renewal	Issue Term Permit Renewal	Spring Creek Allotment and Skull Creek Allotment	None	EA Initiated: January 17, 2006 DR Signed: April 16, 2006
EA OR-06-025-039	CANCELLED				
EA OR-06-025-040	CANCELLED				
CX OR-06-025-041 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Leslie Richman	Riddle Mountain Plots	Small noxious weed plot treatments on experimental basis	Riddle Mountain	None	CX Initiated: January 20, 2006 CX Signed: January 26, 2006
EA OR-06-025-042 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Willie Street	Term Permit Renewal	Issue Term Permit Renewal	Coal Mine Creek Allotment	None	EA Initiated: January 24, 2006 DR Signed: April 6, 2006
CX OR-06-025-043 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Skip Renchler	Rattlesnake Creek Ranch Calving/ Feeding	Realty permit to authorize permit winter feeding and calving	Camp Harney Allotment	None	CX Initiated: January 25, 2006 Date signed February 3, 2006
CX OR-06-025-044 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Tim Newkirk	Devine Canyon Hazard Tree Removal	Removing limited number of hazard trees	Devine Canyon	Scenic corridors	CX Initiated: January 21, 2006 Date signed February 14, 2006
CX OR-06-025-045 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Tim Newkirk	Sagehen Hill Hazard Tree Removal	Removing approximately 130 trees for safety reasons	Sagehen Hill	None	CX Initiated: January 26, 2006 CX Signed: February 14, 2006
EA OR-06-025-046	CANCELLED				
CX OR-06-025-047 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Scott Thomas	Skull Creek Dunes Protection Fence	2.8 miles of fence, one gate around public and private lands	Skull Creek Dunes Catlow Valley	Skull Dunes	EA Initiated: February 1, 2006 DR Signed: 03/01/06
EA OR-06-025-048 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Scott Thomas	Lake-on-the-Trail Archaeological Excavation	Up to 8, 2 x 2 units and up to 150 feet backhoe trench	Lake-on-the-Trail	Lake-on-the-Trail playa	EA Initiated: February 1, 2006 DR Signed: - In progress, decision expected in 2008
EA OR-06-027-049 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Terri Geisler	Steens Group AML Cleanup	Remediate chemical and physical hazards	T. 34 S., R. 34 E.	High Steens WSA, Steens CMPA, Steens Min	EA Initiated: February 6, 2006 DR Signed: August 22, 2006
CX OR-06-025-050 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Skip Renchler	Hilltop Material Site Expansion ROW	Appropriation consent to ODOT through FHWA for site expansion	T. 28 S., R. 30 E., Sec. 18, 24	None	EA Initiated: February 9, 2006 DR Signed: February 21, 2006
EA OR-06-025-051	CANCELLED				

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CX OR-06-026-052 Primary Contact: Dave Ward	Antelope Springs Seeding Maintenance	Maintain crested seeding	Trout Creek Mountain Allotment	None	EA Initiated: February 15, 2006 DR Signed: January 15, 2008
EA OR-06-026-053 Primary Contact: Fred McDonald	Pueblo/Lone Mountain Biocrust Enclosure	Construct 12-foot by 32-foot Enclosure	Oregon End Table	Rincon WSA	EA Initiated: February 17, 2006 DR Signed: April 13, 2007
EA OR-06-025-054 Primary Contact: Mike McGee	Camp Harney/ Cow Creek Ecological Restoration Project	Cutting/burning unique 20,000 acre project area	FS 28 Road vicinity	Three bald eagle roosts	EA Initiated: December 22, 2006 DR Signed: May 10, 2007
CX OR-06-025-055 Primary Contact: Willie Street	Grazing Transfer	Grazing transfer	House Butte Allotment	Biscuitroot ACEC	EA Initiated: February 27, 2006 DR Signed: March 28, 2006
EA OR-06-025-056 Primary Contact: Don Rotell	Otis Mountain/ Moffet Table Vegetation Management	Prescribed fire, timber sale, juniper cutting	Otis Mountain Area	None	EA Initiated: February 28, 2006 DR Signed: September 17, 2007
EA OR-06-025-057	CANCELLED				
EA OR-06-025-058	CANCELLED				
EA OR-06-025-059 Primary Contact: Tim Newkirk	Pinecraft Hazardous Fuels Reduction	Burn, thin, sell timber for fuels reduction	Oard flat area Renfro-Special	None	EA Initiated: March 8, 2006 DR Signed: September 20, 2007
EA OR-06-027-060 Primary Contact: Rhonda Karges	South Steens Water Development	Construct water development	CMPA, South Steens Allotment	WSAs	EA Initiated: March 9, 2006 DR Signed: - In progress
CX OR-06-027-061	CANCELLED				
CX OR-06-027-062 Primary Contact: Matt Obradovich	Mountain Quail Transplant Steens Loop Road Site	Transplant mountain quail off Steens Loop Road	Steens Mountain, Steens Loop Road, Gate 5 – Bald-Headed Camp or near Blitzen Crossing	None	CX Initiated: March 13, 2006 CX Signed: March 14, 2006
CX OR-06-025-063 Primary Contact: Skip Renchler	Pujade Road Federal ROW	Grant BLM an FLPMA ROW over existing road	Pujade Road No. 6247-00	None	CX Initiated: March 14, 2006 CX Signed: March 20, 2006
CX OR-06-026-064 Primary Contact: Mike McGee	Denio Creek Riparian Planting	Plant willows/ dogwood and fence	Denio Creek	None	CX Initiated: March 16, 2006 CX Signed: April 13, 2006
CX OR-06-026-065 Primary Contact: Scott Thomas	Desert Field Archaeological Excavation	Salvage archaeological excavation	North Catlow Valley	None	CX Initiated: March 17, 2006 CX Signed: May 1, 2006

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CX OR-06-025-066 Primary Contact: Mike McGee	Glass Butte Lek Habitat Protection and Restoration Project	Remove hazardous fuels to protect leks. 500 acres or less	Glass Buttes	None	CX Initiated: March 27, 2006 CX Signed: April 25, 2006
CX OR-06-026-067	CANCELLED				
CX OR-06-025-068 Primary Contact: Willie Street	Grazing Transfer	Grazing transfer	East Warm Springs Allotment		
Big Bird Allotment (Three Rivers)	Warm Springs HMA; Foster Flat and Narrows ACEC	CX Initiated: March 29, 2006 CX Signed: May 5, 2006			
CX OR-06-025-069 Primary Contact: Willie Street	Grazing Transfer	Grazing transfer Lone Pine Allotment Cowing Allotment	Silvies Area	None	CX Initiated: March 29, 2006 CX Signed: April 12, 2006
EA OR-06-025-070 Primary Contact: Nick Miller	Silvies Guzzlers	Construct wildlife guzzlers		None	EA Initiated: July 7, 2006 DR Signed: May 21, 2007
CX OR-06-026-070-1 Primary Contact: Eric Haakenson	Schouver Seeding Maintenance	Disk, reseed on 1,500+ acres	Fields Allotment	None	CX Initiated: April 3, 2006 CX Signed: August 1, 2006
CX OR-06-025-071 Primary Contact: Lisa Grant	Grazing Transfer	Grazing transfer	Skull Creek, Hay Creek, and Double O allotments	None	CX Initiated: April 10, 2006 CX Signed: April 27, 2006
CX OR-06-025-072 Primary Contact: Lindsay Davies	Cottonwood Exclosure Extension	8-acre exclosure (cattle)	Cottonwood Allotment	None	CX Initiated: April 10, 2006 CX Signed: April 18, 2006
CX OR-06-025-073 Primary Contact: Bill Andersen	Grazing Transfer	Transfer grazing preference	Coal Pit Springs, Landing Creek, Cave Gulch Allotments	None	CX Initiated: April 14, 2006 CX Signed: June 6, 2006
CX OR-06-025-074 Primary Contact: Bill Andersen	Grazing Transfer	Transfer grazing preference	Coal Pit Springs Allotment	None	CX Initiated: April 14, 2006 CX Signed: June 1, 2006
CX OR-06-025-075 Primary Contact: Willie Street	Lower Pine Allotment Grazing Transfer	Transfer grazing preference (partial)	Lower Pine	None	CX Initiated: April 19, 2006 CX Signed: June 7, 2006
CX OR-06-025-076 Primary Contact: Willie Street	Lower Pine Allotment Grazing Transfer	Transfer grazing preference (remaining Lower Pine)	Lower Pine	None	CX Initiated: April 19, 2006 CX Signed: April 20, 2007
CX OR-06-026-077 Primary Contact: David Ward	Grazing Transfer	Transfer grazing preference: Trout Creek Mountain, Tule Spring, South Fork, Wrench Ranch FFR	South Harney Co.	WSAs	CX Initiated: April 21, 2006 CX Signed: August 15, 2006

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DNA OR 06-027-078 Primary Contact: Evelyn Treiman	Jenkins Historical Tours SRP	Historical tours in Harney County	Diamond/Steens area	CMPA	DNA Initiated: 2006 DNA Signed: March 27, 2006
DNA OR-06-020-079 Primary Contact: Evelyn Treiman	United Methodist Church of Oregon and Idaho SRP	Sightseeing and birding	Southeast Oregon	Various	DNA Initiated: 2006 DNA Signed: April 24, 2006
CX OR-06-025-080 Primary Contact: Ronda Purdy	Grazing Transfer	Transfer grazing preference	Dole Smith (#7042), Silvies Meadow (#7035), East Silvies (#7041) Allotments	None	CX Initiated: April 24, 2006 CX Signed: May 4, 2006
DNA OR-06-026-081 Primary Contact: Evelyn Treiman	Willamette Valley Soaring Club SRP	Launching gliders and camping	Alvord Desert	WSA	DNA Initiated: April 24, 2006 DNA Signed: May 3, 2006
DNA OR-06-026-082 Primary Contact: Evelyn Treiman	Triple H Hunting SRP	Commercial guide – big game hunting	Andrews MU	various	DNA Initiated: April 24, 2006 DNA Signed: May 17, 2006
DNA OR-06-020-083 Primary Contact: Evelyn Treiman	Audubon Society of Portland SRP	Sightseeing and bird watching	Page Springs, Mann Lake, Alvord Desert, Diamond Craters, Pike Creek	various	DNA Initiated: April 24, 2006 DNA Signed: May 3, 2006
DNA OR-06-027-084 Primary Contact: Evelyn Treiman	Paradise Birding SRP	Bird watching	Steens Loop Road	None	DNA Initiated: April 24, 2006 DNA Signed: June 7, 2006
CX OR-06-026-085 Primary Contact: Evelyn Treiman	Western Washington University SRP	Lizard research and camping	South of Borax Lake	None	CX Initiated: April 24, 2006 CX Signed: May 11, 2006
DNA OR-06-027-086	Cancelled				
DNA OR-06-026-087 Primary Contact: Evelyn Treiman	Central Oregon Community College SRP	Natural history field trips and camping	Burns District	various	DNA Initiated: May 1, 2006 DNA Signed: May 27, 2006
CX OR-06-026-088 Primary Contact: Holly Orr	Horizon Wind NW X LLC	MET tower wind testing	Pueblos	None	CX Initiated: May 18, 2006 CX Signed: May 26, 2006
CX OR-06-025-089 Primary Contact: Skip Renchler	Princeton Parcel Road ROW	Grant three separate ROWs for existing road	Princeton area	None	CX Initiated: May 18, 2006 CX Signed: May 30, 2006
DNA OR-06-025-090 Primary Contact: Skip Renchler	2006 Land Sales	Sell 24 parcels totaling approximately 3,000 acres	Three Rivers	None	DNA Initiated: May 24, 2006 DNA Signed: July 7, 2006

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EA OR-06-025-091 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Willie Street	Warm Springs Horse Gather	Gather horses	E. and W. Warm Springs Allot.	Foster Flat ACEC	EA Initiated: May 30, 2006 DR Signed: August 7, 2006
CX OR-06-025-092 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Fred McDonald	Burns Butte Sportsmen's Club Archery Shoot	Issue SRP	Silvies Valley East 2840 Road	None	CX Initiated: June 15, 2006 CX Signed: June 20, 2006
CX OR-06-026-093 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Holly Orr	Branciforte Road ROW	Establish ROW on existing road	East Steens Road near Borax Lake	None	CX Initiated: June 20, 2006 CX Signed: July 10, 2006
CX OR-06-026-094 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Holly Orr	Road ROW and Easement	Establish ROW to residence on existing road and obtain easement on private	Diamond Lane	None	CX Initiated: June 20, 2006 CX Signed: November 29, 2006
EA OR-06-025-095 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Lisa Grant	Crow's Nest Allotment AMP	Changes in AMP	Crow's Nest Allot.	None	EA Initiated: July 10, 2006 DR Signed: January 19, 2007
CX OR-06-025-096 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Skip Renchler	Earth Scope PBO Sites	Install 3 GPS base stations	Wright's Point, Jack Mountain, Buckskin Mountain	None	CX Initiated: July 24, 2006 CX Signed: July 26, 2006
CX OR-06-025-097 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Skip Renchler	Well/Power Line ROW	Install 14.4/24.7 overhead power line-grant ROW.	Buena Vista/Jack Mountain Road	None	CX Initiated: July 25, 2006 CX Signed: August 2, 2006
CX OR-06-026-098 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Holly Orr	Fields Administrative Site Access	Short road to admin. Facility (emergency access due to fire – access denied by private landowner)	T.38S., R34E, Sections 13, 24 23 and 24, Fields Admin. Site Access	None	CX Initiated: August 24, 2006 CX Signed: August 24, 2006
CX OR-06-025-099 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Lesley Richman	Functional Group Plots	Install research plots (fencing) 30x30 meters, .22 acre/each	T21S, R35E, Section 23 and T23S, R36E, Section 27	None	CX Initiated: August 25, 2006 CX Signed: September 6, 2006
CX OR-06-025-100 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Skip Renchler	Burns Radar Base Power Line ROW Renewal	Issue new grant for an existing power line ROW	Burns Butte	None	CX Initiated: August 29, 2006 Date signed September 12, 2006
CX OR-06-025-101 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Tim Newkirk	Black Rock Salvage	Recover merchantable pine and leave wildlife snags	South end Silvies Valley	None	CX Initiated: September 1, 2006 CX Signed: September 25, 2006

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CX OR-06-025-102 Primary Contact: Skip Renchler	Horizon Wind Stinkingwater Testing/Monitoring	Grant FLPMA ROW for wind testing area.	Stinkingwater Mountains	None	CX Initiated: July 31, 2006 CX Signed: August 10, 2006
EA OR-06-026-103 Primary Contact: Jeff Rose	South End Complex Emergency Stabilization Plan	Emergency Fire Stabilization	Steens, Diamond Crater, Pueblos	Wilderness, WSAs,	EA Initiated: September 5, 2006 DR Signed: September 28, 2006
CX OR-06-025-104	CANCELLED				
DNA OR-06-025-105 Primary Contact: Don Rotell	Devine Ridge/Tyler Bros. Prescribed burn	Prescribed burn 680 acres	Devine Ridge	None	DNA Initiated: 2006 DNA Signed: July 17, 2006
NEPA Initiated in FY07					
EA OR-07-026-001 Primary Contact: Matt Obradovich	Pickett Rim Bighorn Transplant	Release 30 sheep into historic habitat	Pickett Rim/ Frenchglen	None	EA Initiated: October 11, 2006 DR Signed: December 4, 2006
CX OR-07-027-002 Primary Contact: Joe Glascock	Oliver Hazardous Fuels Reduction	4k acres cutting/ burning	McCoy Cr	CMPA	CX Initiated: October 16, 2006 CX Signed: November 13, 2006
CX OR-07-025-003 Primary Contact: Lisa Grant	West Square Butte Pipeline Extension	Extend existing pipeline ¼ mile in seeding and move trough in seeding.	Dry Lake Allotment #5303	None	CX Initiated: October 20, 2006 CX Signed: November 1, 2006
CX OR-07-025-004 Primary Contact: Lisa Grant	Deep Spring Maintenance	Replace trough, pipe. Maintain enclosure	Hays Allotment	None	CX Initiated: October 20, 2006 CX Signed: November 1, 2006
CX OR-07-025-005 Primary Contact: Skip Renchler	Harney Electric ROW Renewals 2006	Grant 2 new ROWs to replace expired grants for existing power line	Narrows area.	None.	CX Initiated: October 25, 2006 CX Signed: November 13, 2006
CX OR-07-025-006 Primary Contact: Mike McGee	Ross Spring Maintenance	Clean out ditches, pond and spring area to increase water flow		None	CX Initiated: November 2, 2006 CX Signed: November 7, 2006
EA OR-07-025-007 Primary Contact: Willie Street	Term Permit Renewal	Issue Term Permit Renewal	Second Flat Allotment	None	EA Initiated: November 13, 2006 DR Signed: April 26, 2007
EA OR-07-025-008 Primary Contact: Willie Street	Term Permit Renewal	Issue Term Permit Renewal	Badger Springs Allotment	None	EA Initiated: November 13, 2006 DR Signed: April 26, 2007

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EA OR-07-025-009 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Willie Street	Term Permit Renewal	Issue Term Permit Renewal	Lone Pine Allotment	None	EA Initiated: November 13, 2006 DR Signed: - In Progress
EA OR-07-025-010 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Willie Street	Term Permit Renewal	Issue Term Permit Renewal	Lone Pine Allotment	None	EA Initiated: November 13, 2006 DR Signed: April 26, 2007
EA OR-07-025-011 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Willie Street	Term Permit Renewal	Issue Term Permit Renewal	East Warm Springs, Varien Canyon, Forks of Poison and Lone Pine Allotments	None	EA Initiated: November 13, 2006 DR Signed: April 26, 2007
CX OR-07-025-012	CANCELLED				
CX OR-07-025-013 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Rick Hall	Malheur Wirelettuce Protection Enclosures	Construct exclosures for endangered plant species	T 28 S, R 29.75 E Sec. 11	None	CX Initiated: November 30, 2006 CX Signed: December 11, 2006
CX OR-07-025-014 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Skip Renchler	Harney Elec. ROW Conversion	Issue new grant for existing power line, on lands affected by 07 land sales	Three Rivers land sale parcels.	None	CX Initiated: January 12, 2007 CX Signed: January 24, 2007
CX OR-07—025-015 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Willie Street	Grazing Permit Transfer	Transfer permit	Dog Mountain Allotment (#7022)	None	CX Initiated: January 12, 2007 CX Signed: March 9, 2007
CX OR-07-026-016 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Steve Dowlan	Term Permit Renewal	Issue Term Permit Renewal	Lupher FFR/ Sandhills Allotment	None	CX Initiated: February 1, 2007 CX Signed: September 25, 2007
EA OR-07-026-017	CANCELLED				
CX OR-07-026-018 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Steve Dowlan	Term Permit Renewal	Issue Term Permit Renewal	Grassy Basin, Henricks FFR	None	CX Initiated: February 1, 2007 CX Signed: September 25, 2007
EA OR-07-025-019 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Lisa Grant	Permit Transfer	Transfer (doing EA instead of CX as need renewal by 09	W. and C. Blaylock FFR #5539 Luce Field FFR #5540	None	EA Initiated: February 5, 2007 DR Signed: April 26, 2007
EA OR-07-025-020 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Lisa Grant	Term Permit Renewal	Renew permit for 7 years. Current permit expires 2014	Skull Creek Allotment #7030 Double O Allotment #7056	None	EA Initiated: February 5, 2007 DR Signed: April 26, 2007
CX OR-07-027-021 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Steve Dowlan	Donner/Blitzen Redband Trout Life History Study	Install temporary fish tracking devices	CMPA	Wild/scenic rivers, wilderness, WSAs, CMPA	CX Initiated: February 12, 2007 CX Signed: March 5, 2007

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EA OR-07-025-022 Primary Contact: Nick Miller	Term Permit Renewal	Issue Term Permit Renewal	Devine Ridge/ Prather Creek Allotments	None	EA Initiated: February 13, 2007 DR Signed: April 26, 2007
EA OR-07-025-023 Primary Contact: Nick Miller	Term Permit Renewal	Issue Term Permit Renewal	Forks of Poison Creek Allotment	None	EA Initiated: February 13, 2007 Date signed April 26, 2007
EA OR-07-025-024	CANCELLED				
EA OR-07-025-025 Primary Contact: Dustin Johnson	Term Permit Renewal	Issue Term Permit Renewal	Beaver Creek Allotment (#5600)	None	EA Initiated: February 22, 2007 DR Signed: April 26, 2007
EA OR-07-025-026 Primary Contact: Dustin Johnson	Grazing Lease Renewal	Renew 10-year lease	Abraham's Draw (#4126)	None	EA Initiated: February 22, 2007 DR Signed: April 26, 2007
EA OR-07-025-027 Primary Contact: Ronda Purdy	Term Permit Renewal	Issue Term Permit Renewal	Slocum Field Allotment	None	EA Initiated: February 22, 2007 DR Signed: April 26, 2007
EA OR-07-025-028 Primary Contact: Ronda Purdy	Term Permit Renewal	Issue Term Permit Renewal	Mahon Ranch Allotment, Thompson FFR, Malheur Lake Allotment	None	EA Initiated: February 22, 2007 DR Signed: April 26, 2007
CX OR-07-025-029 Primary Contact: Lisa Grant	2nd Oregon LLC Temporary Fences	Construct temporary fences around pesticide treated areas.	Buck Mountain and Riverside Allotments	None	CX Initiated: February 28, 2007 CX Signed: March 5, 2007
CX OR-07-026-030 Primary Contact: Holly Orr	Buckskin Mountain Communication Site Renewal	Renew CenturyTel authorization	Buckskin Mountain, T. 38 S., R. 37 E., sec. 19	None	CX Initiated: March 1, 2007 CX Signed: March 29, 2007
DNA OR-07-026-031 Primary Contact: Holly Orr	Buckskin Mountain Communication Site Management Plan	Develop/ implement site plan for site users	Buckskin Mountain	None	DNA Initiated: March 1, 2007 DNA Signed: March 29, 2007
EA OR-07-026-032 Primary Contact: Joe Glascock	Term Permit Renewal	Issue Term Permit Renewal	Basque Hills Allotment	Basque Hills and Rincon WSAs	EA Initiated: March 5, 2007 DR Signed: - On hold
EA OR-07-025-033	CANCELLED				
EA OR-07-025-034	CANCELLED				
EA OR-07-025-035	CANCELLED				
EA OR-07-025-036 Primary Contact: Ronda Purdy	Silver Creek Ranches of Oregon, LLC #362864 - Term Permit Renewal	Issue Term Permit Renewal	Juniper Ridge and Sheep Lake Shields Allotments	None	EA Initiated: March 6, 2007 DR Signed: April 26, 2007

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CX OR-07-026-037 Primary Contact: Holly Orr	Fields Administrative Site ROW Reservation	Amend ROW to include withdrawal area	Fields	None	CX Initiated: March 8, 2007 CX Signed: April 9, 2007
EA OR-07-025-038 Primary Contact: Mike McGee	Term Permit Renewal	Issue Term Permit Renewal	State Field Allotment	None	EA Initiated: March 9, 2007 DR Signed: April 26, 2007
EA OR-07-025-039 Primary Contact: Mike McGee	Term Permit Renewal	Issue Term Permit Renewal	Camp Harney	None	EA Initiated: March 9, 2007 DR Signed: April 26, 2007
CX OR-07-025-040 Primary Contact: Lisa Grant	Grazing Permit Transfer	Grazing permit transfer	Riverside and Alder Creek Allotments	None	CX Initiated: March 13, 2007 CX Signed: March 26, 2007
CX OR-07-025-041 Primary Contact: Lisa Grant	Grazing Permit Transfer	Grazing permit transfer	Riverside and Buck Mountain Allotments	None	CX Initiated: March 13, 2007 CX Signed: March 26, 2007
EA OR-07-026-042 Primary Contact: Eric Haakenson	Reicken's Corner AMP/EA	Revise AMP for Reicken's Corner Allotment	North Catlow Valley	None	EA Initiated: April 10, 2007 DR Signed: - In progress
CX OR-07-025-043 Primary Contact: Skip Renchler	Century Tel Telephone ROW Conversion	Issuing a FLPMA ROW to replace pre-FLPMA ROW	Various locations in Harney County	None	CX Initiated: April 11, 2007 CX Signed: April 19, 2007
CX OR-07-025-044 Primary Contact: Skip Renchler	Century Tel ROW renewal Jack Mountain Telephone Line	Grant new ROW to replace expired grant	Jack Mountain	None	CX Initiated: April 11, 2007 CX Signed: April 19, 2007
DNA OR-07-026-045 Primary Contact: Rob Perrin	High Desert Outdoors SRP	Issue SRP for big game guiding	Juniper, Beaty Butte, Whitehorse Hunt Units	14 WSAs	DNA Initiated: April 24, 2007 DNA Signed: May 2, 2007
CX OR-07-025-046 Primary Contact: Dustin Johnson	Grazing Permit Transfer	Transfer grazing preference from Scott and Margie Runels to Phillip and Lorissa Singhose	Cluster Allotment #7017	None	CX Initiated: April 26, 2007 Date signed May 11, 2007
CX OR-07-025-047 Primary Contact: Dustin Johnson	Grazing Permit Transfer	Transfer grazing preference from Wilber Brothers to Rick and Jessica Habein	Mountain Allotment #5532 Lamb Ranch Allotment #5571 East Vickers FFR #0040 Devine Flat Field #5543	Stinkingwater HMA	CX Initiated: April 26, 2007 CX Signed: May 11, 2007
CX OR-07-025-048 Primary Contact: Dustin Johnson	Grazing Permit Transfer	Transfer grazing preference from Young Land Co., Inc. to Wayne and Michele Smith	Poison Creek Allotment #5584	None	CX Initiated: April 26, 2007 CX Signed: May 11, 2007

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EA OR-07-027-049 Primary Contact: Joe Glascock	East Ridge Term Permit Renewal	Issue Term Permit Renewal	East Ridge Allotment	Wilderness, WSA	EA Initiated: April 27, 2007 DR Signed: - In progress
CX OR-07-027-050 Primary Contact: Joe Glascock	Diamond Valley Term Permit Renewal	Issue Term Permit Renewal	Ruby Springs Allotment, CMPA	None	CX Initiated: April 30, 2007 CX Signed: September 25, 2007
CX OR-07-027-051 Primary Contact: Joe Glascock	McCoy Creek Term Permit Renewal	Issue Term Permit Renewal	Ruby Springs Allotment, CMPA	None	CX Initiated: April 30, 2007 CX Signed: September 25, 2007
CX OR-07-026-052 Primary Contact: Laura Dowlan	Western WA University SRP	Ecological research on reptiles	Alvord (Borax Lake)	None	CX Initiated: May 8, 2007 CX Signed: May 9, 2007
DNA OR-07-026-053 Primary Contact: Laura Dowlan	Willamette Valley Soaring Club	SRP for flying gliders	Alvord Playa	WSA	DNA Initiated: May 8, 2007 DNA Signed: May 9, 2007
CX OR-07-025-054 Primary Contact: Mike McGee	Chalk Hills Habitat Improvement Project	Fuels reduction to protect sagebrush-steppe habitat (1k acres)	Chalk Hills, Chimney Springs Allotment	None	CX Initiated: May 9, 2007 CX Signed: May 23, 2007
CX OR-07-025-055 Primary Contact: Mike McGee	Lone Pine Habitat Improvement Project	Fuels reduction to protect sagebrush-steppe habitat (1k acres)	Lone Pine	None	CX Initiated: May 9, 2007 CX Signed: July 2, 2007
DNA OR-07-027-056 Primary Contact: Laura Dowlan	Recreational Trips	Authorize recreational trips	Burns District	CMPA, wilderness, WSAs	DNA Initiated: May 10, 2007 DNA Signed: May 10, 2007
CX OR-07-025-057 Primary Contact: Skip Renchler	Willow Flat Access Road R-O-W	Grant ROW for access road to private parcels	Willow Flat off 47 Road	None	CX Initiated: May 11, 2007 CX Signed: May 31, 2007
EA OR-07-027-058 Primary Contact: Steve Dowlan	Page Spring Fish Passage Project	Modify Page Springs Weir	Donner und Blitzen River at Page Springs	Wilderness, WSR, CMPA	EA Initiated: May 15, 2007 DR Signed: - In progress
EA OR-07-020-059 Primary Contact: Holly Orr	Programmatic Film EA	Allow minimal impact commercial filming	ACECS, WSAs, CMPA, and Steens Mountain Wilderness (cherry-stemmed roads only)	Wilderness, WSA, ACECs	EA Initiated: May 29, 2007 DR Signed: - In Progress
CX OR-07-025-060 Primary Contact: Willie Street	Permit Transfer	Transfer grazing permit	Dog Mountain Allotment	None	CX Initiated: June 4, 2007 CX Signed: - In progress

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CX OR-07-025-061 Primary Contact: Rob Perrin	Burns Butte Archery Shoot	Authorize weekend shoot	Calamity Butte	None	CX Initiated: June 5, 2007 CX Signed: June 20, 2007
CX OR-07-025-062 Primary Contact: Willie Street	Grazing Permit Transfer	Transfer grazing permit	Dietrich Field FFR	None	CX Initiated: June 6, 2007 CX Signed: - In progress, decision expected early FY08
CX OR-07-027-063 Primary Contact: Joe Glascock	Chimney Seeding Maintenance	Interseed crested wheat into existing seedings	Chimney Allotment Seedings: Chimney #3 and N. Crested #2	CMPA	CX Initiated: June 11, 2007 CX Signed: June 4, 2007
CX OR-07-025-064 Primary Contact: Mike McGee	Stinkingwater Juniper Cut	Cut up to 2 acres of juniper in aspen patch	House Butte Allotment	None	CX Initiated: June 18, 2007 CX Signed: July 2, 2007
CX OR-07-025-065 Primary Contact: Holly Orr	Harney Co. Rock Stockpile	Stockpile gravel on existing stockpile site	Juntura Cutoff Road	None	CX Initiated: June 21, 2007 CX Signed: July 2, 2007
CX OR-07-026-066 Primary Contact: Holly Orr	OR/ID Utilities Inc. ROW	Buried telephone cable (Crowley, OR Project)	Burns Junction to Crowley and south on East Steens Road to Juniper Lake Ranch	None	CX Initiated: June 21, 2007 CX Signed: - In progress, decision expected Spring FY08
DNA OR-07-027-067 Primary Contact: Rob Perrin	OMSI Cascade Science School SRP	Backpacking trip focusing on Steens Mountain ecology. Career exposure program.	Little Blitzen Gorge	CMPA, wilderness	DNA Initiated: June 25, 2007 DNA Signed: July 5, 2007
EA OR-07-027-068	CANCELLED				
CX OR-07-026-069 Primary Contact: Holly Orr	Harney Electric Distribution Line	Grant ROW to Harney Electric to establish power line to livestock well	T. 32 S., R. 30 E., sec 6 (Miller property)	None	EA Initiated: July 2, 2007 DR Signed: July 2, 2007
CX OR-07-026-070 Primary Contact: Steve Dowlan	East Steens Private Land Seeding	Install crested greenstrip seeding on private land to protect public land upslope	Mann Lake Ranch	None	CX Initiated: July 17, 2007 CX Signed: July 23, 2007
EA OR-07-025-071 Primary Contact: Doug Linn	Bartlett Complex Emergency Stabilization EA	Emergency stabilization of burned area.	Warm Springs Reservoir/Bartlett Mountain	None	EA Initiated: July 19, 2007 DR Signed: - In Progress
EA OR-07-027-072 Primary Contact: Cam Swisher	Frazier Field Term Permit Renewal	Issue Term Permit Renewal	Steens Mountain	CMPA, Wilderness, WJMA, WSA	EA Initiated: July 23, 2007 DR Signed: - in progress

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EA OR-07-027-073 Primary Contact: Cam Swisher	Lavoy Table Term Permit Renewal	Issue Term Permit Renewal	Lavoy Table Allotment	CMPA, WSA	EA Initiated: July 23, 2007 DR Signed: - In progress
CX OR-07-025-074 Primary Contact: Skip Renchler	Forest Road 4130-500 ROW Renewal	ROW renewal for existing road	Forest Service Road 4130-500	None	CX Initiated: July 24, 2007 CX Signed: July 30, 2007
EA OR-07-025-075 Primary Contact: Don Rotell	Round Top Butte Fire Stabilization Rehab	Rehab approx. 10k acres of wildland fire	Round Top Butte	None	EA Initiated: July 25, 2007 DR Signed: September 12, 2007
DNA OR-07-027-076 Primary Contact: Rob Perrin	Skyline Trail Riders Day-use Horseback ride	Day-use trips for horseback riding in Steens Mountain Wilderness	Steens Mountain Wilderness	Wilderness	DNA Initiated: August 1, 2007 DNA Signed: August 6, 2007
EA OR-07-027-077 Primary Contact: Jeff Rose	Egley Complex Fire Rehabilitation	Emergency stabilization rehabilitation	Egley Fire Complex, Riley, Oregon	None	EA Initiated: August 6, 2007 DR Signed: - in progress
DNA OR-07-025-078 Primary Contact: Skip Renchler	Harney EMS Tower Site - Jack Mountain	Grant communication use lease for two-way radio repeater tower	Jack Mountain Communication Site	None	DNA Initiated: August 7, 2007 DNA Signed: August 22, 2007
CX OR-07-025-079 Primary Contact: Skip Renchler	Access Road ROW	Grant ROW for access to private land	Coalpit Springs Area	None	CX Initiated: August 7, 2007 CX Signed: September 11, 2007
CX OR-07-020-080 Primary Contact: Holly Orr	Harney County Electric ROW Renewal	Grant ROW renewal for distribution (14.4 - 24.9KV) power lines (Issued under FLPMA; replaces ORE5183)	Eastern Oregon (Andrews RA, Three Rivers RA, Jordan Valley RA (Vale) and Malheur NWR)	None.	CX Initiated: August 10, 2007 CX Signed: September 6, 2007
EA OR-07-025-081 Primary Contact: Doug Linn	Coleman Creek Fire Stabilization and Rehabilitation	Stabilization and Rehabilitation	Stinkingwater	None	EA Initiated: August 20, 2007 DR Signed: - in progress
DNA OR-07-027-082 Primary Contact: Bill Pierett	Riddle Mountain and Kiger HMAs Gather Plan	Wild horse gather	NE Steens Mountain	CMPA, Kiger Mustang ACEC	DNA Initiated: August 27, 2007 DNA Signed: September 26, 2007
CX OR-07-025-083	Cancelled				
CX OR-07-027-084 Primary Contact: Rhonda Karges	WJMA Woodcutting	Sale and removal of small groups of trees within the WJMA	WJMA	WJMA, CMPA	CX Initiated: September 6, 2007 CX Signed: September 13, 2007

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DNA OR-07-025-085 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Skip Renchler	Willow Flat Power Line	Grant ROW for 6 miles of distribution power line	Northwest of Burns (north of Radar Hill)	None	DNA Initiated: September 10, 2007 DNA Signed: October 9, 2007
CX OR-07-026-086 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Dave Ward	Lower Antelope Permit Renewal	Issue Term Permit Renewal	Lower Antelope Allotment	None	CX Initiated: September 13, 2007 CX Signed: September 25, 2007
CX OR-07-026-087 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Cam Swisher	Term Permit Renewal #2576	Issue Term Permit Renewal	North Catlow Allotment	None	CX Initiated: September 13, 2007 CX Signed: September 25, 2007
CX OR-07-027-088 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Cam Swisher	Term Permit Renewal #2568	Issue Term Permit Renewal	Krumbo Allotment	None	CX Initiated: September 13, 2007 CX Signed: September 25, 2007
CX OR-07-027-089 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Cam Swisher	Term Permit Renewal #2565	Issue Term Permit Renewal	Krumbo Allotment	None	CX Initiated: September 13, 2007 CX Signed: September 25, 2007
CX OR-07-026-090 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Cam Swisher	Term Permit Renewal	Issue Term Permit Renewal	Konek FFR	None	CX Initiated: September 13, 2007 CX Signed: September 25, 2007
CX OR-07-026-091 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Eric Haakenson	Keg Springs Term Permit Renewal	Issue Term Permit Renewal	Keg Springs Allotment	None	CX Initiated: September 13, 2007 CX Signed: September 25, 2007
CX OR-07-026-092 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Eric Haakenson	Reicken's Corner Term Permit Renewal	Issue Term Permit Renewal	Reicken's Corner Allotment	None	CX Initiated: September 13, 2007 CX Signed: September 25, 2007
CX OR-07-026-093 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Dave Ward	Pueblo Slough Grazing Lease Renewal	Renew 3-year grazing lease	Pueblo Slough Allotment	None	CX Initiated: September 13, 2007 CX Signed: September 25, 2007

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CX OR-07-025-094 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Lisa Grant	Twin Springs Road Cattleguards	Install two cattleguards within the main access road to Twin Springs Reservoir	Alder Creek Allotment #5536	None	CX Initiated: September 19, 2007 CX Signed: October 12, 2007
CX OR-07-025-095 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Lisa Grant	2007 Reservoir Maintenance	Cleaning and maintenance of reservoirs	Three Rivers RA	None	CX Initiated: September 19, 2007 CX Signed: October 12, 2007
CX OR-07-025-096 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Skip Renchler	Oregon Wild Horse Corral Facility	Grant a Federal ROW reservation	Horse Corrals	None	CX Initiated: September 21, 2007 CX Signed: - October 9, 2007
CX OR-07-025-097 <i>Primary Contact:</i> Lesley Richman	EOARC, Fire Restoration Study	Research Project - Conduct burning and seeding	T27S, R28E, Section 14	None	CX Initiated: September 25, 2007 CX Signed: October 9, 2007

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EA OR-08-026-001 Primary Contact: Steve Dowlan	Borax Lake Fence Realignment	Realign fence (T&E species and cultural affected)	T37S, R33E, Section 15	ACEC	EA Initiated: October 1, 2007 DR Signed:
CX OR-08-027-002 Primary Contact: Holly Orr (OR-63597)	Bordy Acquisition	Land acquisition within Steens Wilderness	T36S, R33E, Section 5	Steens Mountain Wilderness	EA Initiated: October 1, 2007 DR Signed: October 10, 2007
CX OR-08-025-003 Primary Contact: Lisa Grant	Paul Well Pipeline Maintenance	Replacement of approximately 1,500 feet of Paul Well pipeline	Riddle Mountain Allotment and Happy Valley Allotment	None	EA Initiated: October 1, 2007 DR Signed: October 12, 2007
CX OR-08-026-004 Primary Contact: Steve Dowlan	Maintenance/ Reconstruction for Springs in Trout Creek Mountain Allotment, No Name Pasture	Modify five existing spring developments by replacing head boxes, troughs, pipelines and fences	Trout Creek Mountain Allotment - No Name Pasture	None	EA Initiated: October 5, 2007 DR Signed: October 9, 2007
EA OR-08-026-005 Primary Contact: Eric Haakenson	Keg Springs AMP	Change season of use and construct a well	Keg Springs Allotment	None	EA Initiated: - unknown DR Signed:
CX OR-08-027-006 Primary Contact: Cam Swisher	Term Permit Renewal, Permit #3602563	Issue Term Permit Renewal	Frazier Field	WSA and Wilderness	CX Initiated: November 7, 2007 CX Signed: January 7, 2008
CX OR-08-027-007	CANCELLED				

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CX OR-08-027-008 Primary Contact: Cam Swisher	Term Permit Renewal, Permit #3602591	Issue Term Permit Renewal	LaVoy Table	WSA	CX Initiated: November 7, 2007 CX Signed: January 15, 2008
CX OR-08-026-009 Primary Contact: Holly Orr (OR17896)	Barclay Road ROW Renewal	Renew ROW	East Steens County Road T 41S, R35E, Section 17		CX Initiated: November 19, 2007 CX Signed: December 4, 2007
CX OR-08-026-010 Primary Contact: Steve Dowlan	Grazing Permit Renewal for Grassy Basin and Tum Tum Allotments and Casey and South Pocket FFR	Grazing permit renewal	Grassy Basin and Tum Tum Allotments and Casey and South Pocket FFR	WSA	CX Initiated: November 20, 2007 CX Signed:
CX OR-08-025-011 Primary Contact: Tim Newkirk	Lone Ewe - Pacific Rim	Timber salvage and reforestation	T20S, R28E, Section 34; T20S, R27E, Section 10		CX Initiated: December 3, 2007 CX Signed: December 11, 2007
CX OR-08-025-012 Primary Contact: Mike McGee	Iron Mountain Spring Fencing	To fence approximately ¼ acre around a spring	½ mile Northeast of Iron Mountain		CX Initiated: December 4, 2007 CX Signed:
CX OR-08-026-013 Primary Contact: Holly Orr (OR64808)	Road ROW	Grant ROW	Fields, Oregon - T38S, R34E, Section 13		CX Initiated: December 5, 2007 CX Signed:
CX OR-08-025-014 Primary Contact: Bill Anderson	Term Permit Renewal	Issue Term Permit Renewal	Silvies Allotment		CX Initiated: December 11, 2007 CX Signed: December 12, 2007
CX OR-08-025-015 Primary Contact: Bill Anderson	Term Permit Renewal	Issue Term Permit Renewal	Abraham's Draw Allotment		CX Initiated: December 11, 2007 CX Signed: January 10, 2008
CX OR-08-026-016 Primary Contact: Dave Ward	Term Permit Renewal (Permit #3602569)	Issue Term Permit Renewal	Pueblo/Lone Mountain Allotment (6020); Oregon End FFR (6102)	WSA, ACEC	CX Initiated: December 11, 2007 CX Signed: January 15, 2008
EA OR-08-025-017 Primary Contact: Nick Miller	Slick Ear Creek/Claw Creek	Sivicultural thinning/juniper removal and rangeland restoration	Skull Creek and Claw Creek Allotments		EA Initiated: December 11, 2007 DR Signed:
CX OR-08-026-018 Primary Contact: Eric Haakenson	Serrano Point Permit Term Permit Renewal	Issue Term Permit Renewal	Serrano Point	WSA, Wilderness	CX Initiated: December 17, 2007 CX Signed:
CX OR-08-027-019 Primary Contact: Eric Haakenson	Fields Allotment and Star FFR Term Permit Renewal	Issue Term Permit Renewal	Fields Allotment and Star FFR	Wilderness	CX Initiated: December 18, 2007 CX Signed:
CX OR-08-027-019 Primary Contact: Eric Haakenson	Pollock and Pollock FFR Term Permit Renewal	Issue Term Permit Renewal	Pollock and Pollock FFR Allotments	WSAs	CX Initiated: December 19, 2007 Date Signed
EA OR-08-027-020 Primary Contact: Lee McConnell	Grove Creek and Cold Spring Water Trough Reconstruction	Reinstall troughs at Grove Creek and Cold Springs	Cold Springs and Grove Creek Road	Steens Mountain Wilderness	EA Initiated: January 3, 2008 DR Signed:

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EA OR-08-026-021 Primary Contact: Holly Orr	Lower Stonehouse WSA Inholder Access EA (Road ROW) (OR 65158)	Grant ROW for access to private lands in three separate locations	Off East Steens Road	WSA	EA Initiated: Janu- ary 8, 2008 DR Signed:
CX OR-08-026-022 Primary Contact: Eric Haakenson	Maintenance/ Reconstruction for Spring Develops	Rehabilitate/mod- ify 7 existing spring developments	Field Allotment #6028	Steen Mountain Wilderness	CX Initiated: Janu- ary 15, 2008 CX Signed:
CX OR-08-026-023 Primary Contract: Dave Ward	Term Permit Renewal (Permit #3602561)	Issue Term Permit Renewal	Trout Creek Moun- tain, Tule Springs, Defenbaugh FFR and Crump/ Caulderwood FFR Allotments	WSA	CX Initiated: Janu- ary 17, 2008 CX Signed: Janu- ary 31, 2008
CX OR-08-025-024 Primary Contract: Rob Sharp	Grazing Permit Transfer	Transfer base prop- erty to new owner	Lake Field, Cotton- wood Creek and Chalk Hills Allot- ments		CX Initiated: Janu- ary 18, 2008 CX Signed: March 7, 2008
CX OR-08-027-025 Primary Contact: Joe Glascock	Term Permit Re- newal	Issue Term Permit Renewal	Chimney Allotment	WSA	CX Initiated: Janu- ary 23, 2008 CX Signed: Janu- ary 25, 2008
CX OR-08-025-026 Primary Contact: Nick Miller	Term Permit Re- newal	Issue Term Permit Renewal	Devine Ridge		CX Initiated: Febru- ary 13, 2008 CX Signed:
CX OR-08-025-027 Primary Contact: Nick Miller	Term Permit Re- newal	Issue Term Permit Renewal	Fork of Poison Creek		CX Initiated: Febru- ary 13, 2008 CX Signed:
EA OR-08-025-028 Primary Contact: Brett Page	Moon Reservoir Facility Improve- ments	Improve loading ramp and park- ing lot, install new toilet and pullouts, widen road, add 5 miles of gravel	Moon Reservoir		EA Initiated: Febru- ary 14, 2008 DR Signed:
DNA OR-08-026- 029 Primary Contact: Terri Geisler	Butler Extension Ag- gregate Removal	Remove approxi- mately 400,000 cubic yards of material	Butler Extension Community Pit, T.33S., R.31E., Sec 12: SESE.		EA Initiated: Febru- ary 14, 2008 Date Signed:
EA OR-08-025-030 Primary Contact: Autumn Richard- son	Tired Horse Butte Fence	Construction of 4.5 miles of fence	West Wagontire Allotment		EA Initiated: Febru- ary 20, 2008 DR Signed:
EA OR-08-025-031 Primary Contact: Scott Thomas	Clovis Quest Archaeological Project	Trenching and block excavation at archaeological site	Sage Hen Summit, Sand Flat, Sheep Mountain, Rick Rock Lake - Three Rivers RA		EA Initiated: Febru- ary 22, 2008 DR Signed:
CX OR-08-026-032 Primary Contact: Matt Obradovich	Mountain Quail Transplant	Transplant quail	Trout Creek Moun- tains	None	CX Initiated: Febru- ary 23, 2008 CX Signed:
EA OR-08-025-033 Primary Contact: Ronda Purdy	Capehart Allot- ment AMP/EA	AMP/EA	Capehart Allot- ment		EA Initiated: March 4, 2008 DR Signed:
CX OR-08-026-034 Primary Contact: Cam Swisher	LaVoy Tables RX	Hazardous Fuels Reduction	North of French- glen	None	CX Initiated: March 13, 2008 CX Signed: March 13, 2008

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CX OR-08-025-035 Primary Contact: Brett Page	Chickahominy Vending Permit	SRP	Chickahominy Recreation Site	None	CX Initiated: March 14, 2008
EA OR-08-025-036 Primary Contact: Mike McGee	Greater Sage-grouse Habitat Improvement Project and Three Rivers Plan Amendment	Improve sage-grouse habitat and amend Three Rivers RMP for commercial sale of downed juniper	South of Highway 20 and west of Highway 395	None	CX Initiated: March 27, 2008
DNA OR-08-025-037 Primary Contact: Skip Renchler	US Cellular Cell Site - Jack Mountain	Issue a Communication Use Lease to authorize construction of new facility (tower, building)	Jack Mountain	None	DNA Initiated: April 2, 2008
CX OR-08-025-038 Primary Contact: Willie Street	House Butte Allotment Spring Maintenance	Maintain 2 springs	House Butte Allotment		CX Initiated: April 2, 2008
DNA OR-08-026-039 Primary Contact: Rob Perrin	Commercial Day Use Recreation Permits	To issue commercial day use recreation permits within the Andrews RA	Andrews Resource Area	Wilderness and WSAs, CMPA	DNA Initiated: April 3, 2008
CX OR-08-025-040 Primary Contact: Jim Buchanan	Lone Pine 10-year permit renewal (#7043) Permit #3602850	Term Permit Renewal	Lone Pine Allotment		CX Initiated: April 9, 2008
CX OR-08-026-041 Primary Contact: Holly Orr	ROW Renewal for Harney Electric Power Line (OR18236)	Renew ROW	T35S, R34E and T41S, R35E	None	CX Initiated: April 15, 2008
EA OR-08-025-042 Primary Contact: Jim Buchanan	Cluster Allotment (Permit #3601524) permit renewal	Issue Term Permit Renewal	Cluster Allotment	None	EA Initiated: April 17, 2008
CX OR-08-025-043 Primary Contact: Jim Buchanan	Trout Creek and East Creek-Pine Hill Allotment Term Permit Renewal #3600066	Issue Term Permit Renewal	Trout Creek and East Creek-Pine Hill Allotments	None	CX Initiated: April 17, 2008
CX OR-08-025-044 Primary Contact: Jim Buchanan	Skull Creek and Spring Creek Allotments Term Permit Renewal #3602334	Issue Term Permit Renewal	Skull Creek and Spring Creek Allotments	None	CX Initiated: April 17, 2008
CX OR-08-025-045 Primary Contact: Jim Buchanan	Coal Mine Creek and House Butte Allotment Term Permit Renewal #3602353	Issue Term Permit Renewal	Coal Mine Creek and House Butte Allotments	None	CX Initiated: April 17, 2008
CX OR-08-025-046 Primary Contact: Jim Buchanan	Lone Pine and Whiting Allotments Term Permit Renewal #3600179	Issue Term Permit Renewal	Lone Pine and Whiting Allotments	None	CX Initiated: April 17, 2008
CX OR-08-026-047 Primary Contact: Eric Haakenson	Keg Springs and Dunbar FFR Term Permit Renewal.	Issue Term Permit Renewal	Keg Springs and Dunbar FFR Allotments	None	CX Initiated: April 21, 2008

Ea Register Number/Primary Contact	Project Name	Proposed Action	Geographic Location	Affected Special Area	Initiation Date/Completion Date (If Applicable)
CX OR-08-025-048 Primary Contact: Willie Street	Grazing Permit Transfer within the Coal Mine Creek Allotment	Transfer grazing permit	Coal Mine Creek	None	CX Initiated: April 21, 2008
CX OR-08-026-049 Primary Contact: Dave Ward	Trout Creek-Tule Springs, South Fork and Wrench Ranch FFR Allotment Term Permit Renewal	Issue Term Permit Renewal	Trout Creek-Tule Springs, South Fork and Wrench Ranch FFR Allotment	WSA, ACEC, RNA	CX Initiated: April 23, 2008
CX OR-08-025-050 Primary Contact: Nick Miller	East Dry Mountain Guzzler and Dry Mountain Guzzler	Replacing/augmenting an existing guzzler including replacement fencing	East Dry Mountain	None	CX Initiated: April 28, 2008 CX Signed:
CX OR-08-025-051 Primary Contact: Rachel McNeley	Druit Field FFR Term Permit Renewal	Issue Term Permit Renewal	Druit Field FFR Allotment	None	CX Initiated: April 29, 2008 CX Signed:
CX OR-08-025-052 Primary Contact: Rachel McNeley	Camp Curry FFR Term Permit Renewal	Issue Term Permit Renewal	Camp Curry FFR Allotment	None	CX Initiated: April 30, 2008 CX Signed:
CX OR-08-025-053 Primary Contact: Rachel McNeley	East Creek-Pine Hill Term Permit Renewal	Issue Term Permit Renewal	East Creek-Pine Hill Allotment	None	CX Initiated: April 30, 2008 CX Signed:
CX OR-08-025-054 Primary Contact: Rachel McNeley	East Silvies, Coal Pit Springs and Baker Hill Field Term Permit Renewal	Issue Term Permit Renewal	East Silvies, Coal Pit Springs and Baker Hill Field Allotments	None	CX Initiated: April 30, 2008 CX Signed:
CX OR-08-025-055 Primary Contact: Rachel McNeley	Hayes Allotment Term Permit Renewal	Issue Term Permit Renewal	Hayes Allotment	None	CX Initiated: April 30, 2008 CX Signed:

ACRONYM / ABBREVIATION GUIDE

The following acronyms, listed in alphabetical order, are used throughout this planning update.

Acronym	Definition
ACEC	Areas of Critical Environmental Concern
AMP	Allotment Management Plan
AML	Abandoned Mine Land
AML	Appropriate Management Level
AMU	Andrews Management Unit
Andrews/ Steens	Andrews Management Unit/ Steens Mountain Cooperative Management and Protection Area
AUM	Animal Unit Month
BIFZ	Burns Interagency Fire Zone
BLM	Bureau of Land Management
CMA	Cooperative Management Agreement
CMPA	Cooperative Management and Protection Area
CWA	Clean Water Act
CX	Categorically Excluded from NEPA analysis
DEQ	Oregon Department of Environmental Quality
DNA	Determination of NEPA adequacy
DR	Decision Record
EA	Environmental Assessment
EIS	Environmental Impact Statement
EOARC	Eastern Oregon Agricultural Research Center
EPA	Environmental Protection Act
ESA	Endangered Species Act
FFR	Fenced Federal Range
FLPMA	Federal Land Policy and Management Act
FPA	Fire Planning Analysis
FY	Fiscal Year
HFRA	Healthy Forest Restoration Act
HMA	Herd Management Area
IBLA	Interior Board of Land Appeals
IFPL	Industrial Fire Precaution Level
mbf	1,000 Board Feet
mmbf	One Million Board Feet
MPO	Mine Plan of Operation
NEPA	National Environmental Policy Act
NWR	Malheur National Wildlife Refuge
OAS	Oregon Archaeological Society
ODA	Oregon Department of Agriculture
ODFW	Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife
ODOT	Oregon Department of Transportation
OHA	Oregon Hunter's Association
OHV	Off-Highway Vehicle
ONDA	Oregon Natural Desert Association
OSU	Oregon State University
PFC	Proper Functioning Condition
ppm	parts per million
RA	Resource Area
RMEF	Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation
RMP	Resource Management Plan

RNA	Research Natural Area
ROD	Record of Decision
ROW	Right-of-Way
RSC	Rattlesnake/Squaw Creek/Coffeepot Thinning Project
SEORAC	Southeast Oregon Resource Advisory Council
SHED	Silvies, Hopper, Emigrant and Detrick Forest Restoration Project
SMAC	Steens Mountain Advisory Council
SRP	Special Recreation Permit
SSS	Special Status Species
Standards and Guidelines	Standards for Rangeland Health and Guidelines for Livestock Management for Public Lands in Oregon/Washington
Steens Act	Steens Mountain Cooperative Management and Protection Act of 2000
TAME	Teaching and Achieving Mustang Excellence
TMP	Travel Management Plan
TP	Transportation Plan
U of O	University of Oregon
USFS	United States Forest Service
USFWS	United States Fish and Wildlife Service
UWM	University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
WJMA	Wildland Juniper Management Area
WSA	Wilderness Study Area
WSR	Wild and Scenic River

PLAN MAINTENANCE NO. **CMPA-1**

Plan Name Steens Mountain Cooperative Management and Protection Area Resource Management Plan

Planning Unit CMPA

Page ROD-10 (Table R-1); RMP-62, Appendix M-3

Heading TRANSPORTATION AND ROADS

(Describe exactly what is to be deleted, added, rewritten, etc.)

CHANGE:

(CMPA-1) -changes the ROD-10 language to: The existing gate and permit system are used to close Steens Loop Road to public motorized use from approximately November 15 to May 15 each year except for **permitted** access to the snowline on North Steens Loop Road for motorized and nonmotorized forms of winter recreation. Add "permitted" to Table R-1 on page ROD-10, page RMP-62, and page (Appendix)M-3 language.

(Describe exact rationale for above change. Include reference material, i.e. EA, FMP, IM.)

REASON:

This action provides clarification that winter access to the snowline for public use is limited to that provided via permits.

Requires Plan Amendment

Conforms with existing Plan

SIGNATURES AS APPROPRIATE:

Resource Specialist Ray Turner Date 9/19/05

Resource Specialist Mark Helton Date 9/19/05

Planning & Env. Coordinator Day Zwick Date 9/20/05

Field Manager Karla Buid Date 9-19-2005

Field Manager James Buchanan Date 9/19/2005

PLAN MAINTENANCE NO. **CMPA-2**

Plan Name Steens Mountain Cooperative Management and Protection Area Resource Management Plan

Planning Unit CMPA

Page ROD-10; RMP-62; Appendix M-4

Heading TRANSPORTATION AND ROADS

(Describe exactly what is to be deleted, added, rewritten, etc.)

CHANGE: change the ROD-10 language to: Motorized access to existing dispersed campsites is allowed unless precluded by **resource concerns such as wilderness, WSAs, ACECs, important plant or animal habitat, water quality, cultural resources, or other resource values**. Change page ROD-10 (Table R-1), page RMP-62, and page (Appendix) M-4 language.

(Describe exact rationale for above change. Include reference material, *i.e.* EA, FMP, IM.)

REASON:

With limited exceptions, the Steens Act (PL 106-399) does prohibit off-road travel in the CMPA, however motorized travel from the open route corridor, along designated access routes, directly to the adjacent dispersed campsite is not considered off-road travel.

Requires Plan Amendment

Conforms with existing Plan

SIGNATURES AS APPROPRIATE:

Resource Specialist Mark Herbson Date 9/19/05

Resource Specialist _____ Date _____

Planning & Env. Coordinator Gary Zalk Date 9/20/05

Field Manager Karla Bird Date 9-19-2005

Field Manager Jessie Buchanan ^{for} Tim Suther Date 9/19/05

PLAN MAINTENANCE NO. **CMPA-3**

Plan Name Steens Mountain Cooperative Management and Protection Area Resource Management Plan

Planning Unit CMPA

Page 10, Record of Decision; RMP-63; Appendix M-4

Heading TRANSPORTATION AND ROADS

(Describe exactly what is to be deleted, added, rewritten, etc.)

CHANGE: change the ROD-10 language to: Parking of motorized vehicles within 100 feet of centerline along many open routes is allowed unless precluded by **resource concerns such as wilderness, WSAs, ACECs, important plant or animal habitat, water quality, cultural resources, or other resource values**. Change page ROD-10 (Table R-1), page RMP-63 and page (Appendix) M-4.

(Describe exact rationale for above change. Include reference material, *i.e.* EA, FMP, IM.)

REASON: With limited exceptions, the Steens Act does prohibit off-road travel within the CMPA, however parking is not considered to be off-road travel. See Section 202(b) - "...the wilderness boundary shall be set back from the centerline of the road, consistent with the Bureau of Land Management's guidelines..." and the accepted SMAC recommendation: letter dated 4/11/03 - 'Make a 100 foot wide corridor from the center line to allow vehicles to pull off the road.' This Consensus Recommendation was reached at the March 3 and 4, 2003 SMAC meeting and was accepted by BLM for inclusion in the RMP."

Requires Plan Amendment

X Conforms with existing Plan

SIGNATURES AS APPROPRIATE:

Resource Specialist Mark Sherburne Date 9/19/05

Resource Specialist _____ Date _____

Planning & Env. Coordinator Dary J. Fisher Date 9/20/05

Field Manager Karl Bied Date 9-19-2005

Field Manager Jane Buchanan for Susan Suther Date 9/19/05

PLAN MAINTENANCE NO.: CMPA-4

Plan Name: Steens Mountain Cooperative Management and Protection Area Resource Management Plan

Planning Unit: OR 027

Page: RMP-45 (Table CMPA-4)

Heading: VISUAL RESOURCES

(Describe exactly what is to be deleted, added, rewritten, etc.)

CHANGE: Change VRM Class from I to III for the 5 acre Weston mill site area (on Indian Creek)

(Describe exact rationale for above change. Include reference material, *i.e.* EA, FMP, IM.)

REASON: Inventory maps show this area as excluded from High Steens WSA.

Requires Plan Amendment

Conforms with existing Plan

SIGNATURES AS APPROPRIATE:

Resource Specialist *Evelyn Turner* Date *8/8/06*

Planning & Env. Coordinator *[Signature]* Date *8/8/06*

Supervisory Natural Resource Specialist, *[Signature]* Date *8/8/06*

Field Manager *Karla Bird* Date *8/11/2006*

PLAN MAINTENANCE NO.: CMPA-5

This plan maintenance action was never completed.

PLAN MAINTENANCE NO.: CMPA-6

**Plan Name: Steens Mountain Cooperative Management and Protection Area
ROD/RMP**

Planning Unit: OR 027

Page: Appendix I-7

Chapter: Appendix I

Heading: Allotment Management Summaries

(Describe exactly what is to be deleted, added, rewritten, etc.)

CHANGE: Replace the Active AUMs of 2522 with 2605.

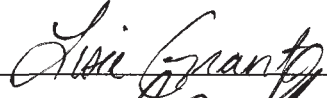
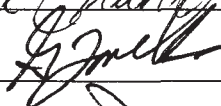

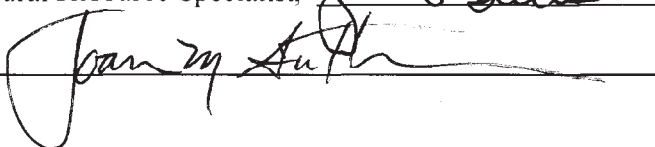
(Describe exact rationale for above change. Include reference material, *i.e.* EA, FMP, IM.)

REASON: After the SMCMPA of 2000 land exchanges, an agreement was developed by Lowther (Rex Clemens) Ranch Inc. and accepted by the BLM that allocated 2605 Active Use AUMs to the Smyth-Kiger Allotment #5331. When the Smyth-Kiger Allotment was transferred from Lowther (Clemens) Ranch Inc. to Roaring Springs Ranch, Inc. in 2002, 2603 Active Use AUMs were transferred. Then in January of 2003, Roaring Springs Ranch, Inc. transferred the permit to Home Ranch LLC and 2603 Active Use AUMs were again transferred. In July of 2004 a decision was signed that removed the West Kiger Pasture from the Smyth-Kiger Allotment. This decision removed 310 AUMs of Active Use from the 2605 AUMs allocated to the allotment making the total Active Use 2295 AUMs. There are no decisions or records that show where the number 2522 that was used in the August 2005 Steens/Andrews RMP came from.

Requires Plan Amendment

Conforms with existing Plan

SIGNATURES AS APPROPRIATE:

Resource Specialist		Date	11-16-06
Planning & Env. Coordinator		Date	11/16/06
Supervisory Natural Resource Specialist,		Date	11/16/06
Field Manager		Date	11/16/06

PLAN MAINTENANCE NO.: CMPA-7

Plan Name: Steens Mountain Cooperative Management and Protection Area ROD/RMP

Planning Unit: OR 027

Page: ROD-80 and 81

Chapter: Record of Decision (ROD)- Resources, Goals, Objectives, Rationale, Management Direction and Monitoring Section

Heading: Wilderness Study Areas and Parcels with Wilderness Characteristics

(Describe exactly what is to be deleted, added, rewritten, etc.)

CHANGE: Replace entire Rationale Section so that it states the following:

“WSAs are managed in a manner so as not to impair the suitability of the areas for preservation as wilderness under the Federal Land Policy and Management Act (FLPMA) of 1976, Section 603 (c), and the Steens Act, Section 204. Both the FLPMA, along with the subsequent Interim Management Policy (IMP), and the provisions of the Steens Act apply to management of WSAs.

Any WSAs designated as wilderness by Congress will be managed in accordance with the Wilderness Act of 1964 and any special provisions provided in the legislation designating the new wilderness. Any WSAs released by Congress from WSA status will be managed the same as the surrounding non-WSA lands.”

Below is the text to be deleted from the Rationale Section:

~~Wilderness preservation is part of the BLM's multiple-use mandate, and wilderness is considered in the land use planning process. WSAs are managed in accordance with the BLM's WSA IMP (USDI 1995b). The Congressional mandate of nonimpairment, the primary standard for interim management, directs land under wilderness review be managed so as not to impair its suitability for preservation as wilderness. Wilderness values, described in Section 2 (c) of the Wilderness Act of 1964 (P.L. 88-577), must be protected in WSAs. The initial task of identifying areas suitable for wilderness preservation has been completed as mandated in the FLPMA Section 603, and is documented in BLM 1989 Oregon Final Wilderness EIS and Wilderness Study Report for Oregon (USDI 1991e).~~

~~The WSA IMP takes precedence over other management direction unless the latter is more restrictive and protective than the WSA IMP, in which case the more restrictive management is followed. The WSAs are managed under the WSA IMP until Congress makes a determination regarding wilderness designation. The WSA IMP states activities must comply with specific policy guidance, including the following nonimpairment criteria:~~

~~1. The use, facility, or activity must be temporary. Temporary use that does not create surface disturbance or involve permanent placement of facilities may be allowed if such use can easily and immediately be terminated upon wilderness designation.~~

~~2. When the use, activity, or facility is terminated, wilderness values must not have been~~

degraded so far as to significantly constrain Congressional prerogative regarding the area's suitability for preservation as wilderness.

Exceptions to nonimpairment criteria include emergencies such as fire suppression and search and rescue operations; reclamation of effects from WSA IMP violations; emergencies and pre-FLPMA impacts; grandfathered uses or facilities or valid existing rights; or uses and facilities to protect or enhance the land's wilderness values or are the minimum necessary for public health and safety in use and enjoyment of wilderness values.

The OHV and mechanized vehicle use in WSAs is limited to existing and designated ways unless the WSA is completely closed to OHV and mechanized vehicle use. Existing ways are those existing at the time of the wilderness inventory. Ways may be closed due to resource concerns. Use of OHVs and mechanized vehicles, including mountain bikes, is only allowed on existing ways and within open areas designated prior to passage of the FLPMA (October 1976). The Andrews MFP recognizes OHV and mechanized vehicle use occurred on the Alvord Desert playa in the Alvord Desert WSA prior to the FLPMA enactment. The OHV and mechanized vehicle use of the Alvord Desert playa does not impair wilderness values and does not preclude Congress from designating the area as part of the National Wilderness Preservation System. The BLM has allowed this use to continue based on the determination managed OHV and mechanized vehicle use will not preclude future wilderness designation. Should the Alvord Desert playa be designated as wilderness, OHV and mechanized vehicle use will not be allowed on the playa.

Management direction for WSAs not designated by Congress and released from WSA status will be the same as for surrounding non-WSA lands.

(Describe exact rationale for above change. Include reference material, *i.e.* EA, FMP, IM.)

REASON: The six paragraphs shown above, that would be deleted in the ROD summarize only portions of the IMP and neglect to mention the two legislative actions that created WSAs and outlined management direction for WSAs. Referring back to the Proposed RMP, Final EIS (pages 2-157 and 2-158) refers to legislative mandate for nonimpairment for suitability of the WSA for preservation as wilderness. These pages also summarize the IMP. As the whole IMP will be used for consideration of WSA management, as well as additional requirements of the Steens Act which was put into play following the completion of the IMP, excising and displaying only a short summary of the IMP may be misleading to the reader. The reader should be referred to the entire IMP, to FLPMA Section 603(c) and to the relevant sections of the Steens Act." Changes to the last paragraph were made to clarify management direction of WSAs that Congress either designates as wilderness or releases from WSA status.

Requires Plan Amendment

Conforms with existing Plan

SIGNATURES AS APPROPRIATE:

Resource Specialist Laura Devlan Date 11/21/2006

Planning & Env. Coordinator *G. J. [Signature]* Date *1/8/07*

Supervisory Natural Resource Specialist, *Sue McDonald* Date *12/4/06*

Field Manager *[Signature]* Date *Jan 8 2007*

PLAN MAINTENANCE NO.: CMPA-8

Plan Name: Steens Mountain Cooperative Management and Protection Area Resource Management Plan

Planning Unit: OR 027

Page: RMP-57

Chapter: Resource Management Plan- Resources, Goals, Objectives, Rationale, Management Direction and Monitoring

Heading: Wildland Fire Management – Management Direction

Component: Paragraph 1

(Describe exactly what is to be deleted, added, rewritten, etc.)

CHANGE: Replace entire Rationale Section so that it states the following:

Fuels management, stabilization, and rehabilitation activities in WSAs will be in compliance with the WSA IMP conducted in a manner so as not to impair the suitability of the areas for preservation as wilderness under the Federal Land Policy and Management Act (FLPMA) of 1976, Section 603 (c), the Steens Act, Section 204 and the subsequent WSA IMP.

(Describe exact rationale for above change. Include reference material, *i.e.* EA, FMP, IM.)

REASON: The current language only refers to the WSA IMP. The reader should be referred to the entire IMP, to FLPMA Section 603(c) and to the relevant sections of the Steens Act.

Requires Plan Amendment

Conforms with existing Plan

SIGNATURES AS APPROPRIATE:

Resource Specialist	<u>Laura Dowlan</u>	Date	<u>1/31/07</u>
Planning & Env. Coordinator	<u>Gay Jones</u>	Date	<u>1/31/07</u>
Supervisory Natural Resource Specialist,	<u>Fred McDonald</u>	Date	<u>2/1/07</u>
Field Manager	<u>Karla Bell</u>	Date	<u>2/1/2007</u>

PLAN MAINTENANCE NO.: AMU-1

Plan Name: Andrews Management Unit ROD/RMP

Planning Unit: OR 026

Page: ROD-2

Chapter:

Heading: Land Use Plan Decisions

(Describe exactly what is to be deleted, added, rewritten, etc.)

CHANGE: Add to bulleted list: Wild and Scenic River (WSR) suitability


(Describe exact rationale for above change. Include reference material, *i.e.* EA, FMP, IM.)

REASON: Inadvertently left out.

Requires Plan Amendment

Conforms with existing Plan

SIGNATURES AS APPROPRIATE:

Resource Specialist  Date 12/19/05

Planning & Env. Coordinator  Date 12/19/05

Supervisory Natural Resource Specialist, NA Date _____

Field Manager  Date 12/19/05

PLAN MAINTENANCE NO.: AMU-2

Plan Name: Andrews Management Unit ROD/RMP

Planning Unit: OR 026

Page: RMP-76

Chapter:

Heading:

(Describe exactly what is to be deleted, added, rewritten, etc.)

CHANGE: Add attached Wild and Scenic Rivers (WSRs) section to RMP. Disregard discussions pertaining only to the CMPA.

(Describe exact rationale for above change. Include reference material, *i.e.* EA, FMP, IM.)


REASON: Inadvertently left out.

Requires Plan Amendment

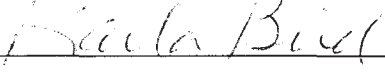
Conforms with existing Plan

SIGNATURES AS APPROPRIATE:

Resource Specialist  Date 12/19/05

Planning & Env. Coordinator  Date 12/19/05

Supervisory Natural Resource Specialist, NA Date _____

Field Manager  Date 12/19/05

Monitoring

No special monitoring will be conducted for parcels with wilderness characteristics.

Wild and Scenic Rivers

Goal 1 – *Manage the existing and newly-designated WSRs in conformance with the WSRs Act and the Wilderness Act.*

Objective. Protect and enhance the Outstandingly Remarkable Values (ORVs) of the designated WSRs.

Rationale

The WSRs Act (PL 90-542 and amendments), Section 1(b), states that “...certain selected rivers of the nation which, with their immediate environments, possess outstandingly remarkable scenic, recreational, geologic, fish and wildlife, historic, cultural, or other similar values, shall be preserved in free-flowing condition, and that they and their immediate environments shall be protected for the benefit and enjoyment of present and future generations.” Section 10(a) describes the basic management requirement of protecting and enhancing the values that caused the river to be included in the National WSRs System. Burns BLM manages 12 rivers in the WSRs System. Six are part of the Donner und Blitzen River drainage and were designated when Congress passed the Omnibus Oregon WSRs Act of 1988. A management plan for Donner und Blitzen River and the five other river segments was completed in 1993. The Steens Act designated an additional six rivers. Mud Creek, Ankle Creek, and South Fork of Ankle Creek were added to the Donner und Blitzen River System. Wildhorse Creek, Little Wildhorse Creek, and Kiger Creek were also designated. The length of the 12 designated rivers totals 105 miles with BLM managing approximately 27,324 acres of public land within the WSR corridors. The remaining 4,022 acres within the WSR corridors are State and private lands. Under the Steens Act, all 12 rivers fall within the CMPA and all but 1,204 acres of BLM-administered lands in the WSR corridors fall within Steens Mountain Wilderness. A more detailed description of each designated river and its ORVs is located in Appendix P.

Under the WSRs Act, rivers are classified by Congress as either Recreational, Scenic, or Wild depending on the extent of development and access along each river at time of designation. All designated river segments in the CMPA were classified as Wild by Congress. River segments with a Wild classification are generally inaccessible except by trail with watersheds and shorelines essentially primitive and waters unpolluted.

Management Direction

The BLM-administered lands within WSR corridors are managed to protect and enhance ORVs for which they were designated. The existing Wild classification is retained for the designated rivers. Under guidance from the Steens Act, where WSR corridors overlap with Steens Mountain Wilderness, the more restrictive management requirements apply. Several of the river segments have roads, bridges, recreation facilities, historic structures, and other infrastructure that existed at time of designation. These facilities will continue to be maintained and replaced as necessary to provide for public health and safety and existing uses, as well as resource protection. An integrated management plan has been completed for Steens Mountain Wilderness and the designated WSRs as part of this RMP (Appendix P).

Goal 2 - *Determine the suitability of eligible WSRs. Manage those rivers found to be suitable in conformance with BLM Manual 8351 (WSRs - Policy and Program Direction for Identification, Evaluation, and Management) for protective management of eligible and suitable WSRs.*

Objective. Protect and enhance the ORVs of rivers determined to be administratively suitable for potential inclusion into the National WSRs System by Congress.

Rationale

Section 5(d)(1) of the WSRs Act requires Federal land management agencies conduct eligibility evaluations for rivers within their jurisdiction as part of their resource planning process. All rivers in Andrews RA were

evaluated for WSR eligibility in 1997 for the SEORMP. Each river was reviewed by an ID team. The first step was to determine river segment eligibility based on free-flowing conditions and presence or absence of ORVs. The second step was to determine tentative river classification (Wild, Scenic, or Recreational) based primarily on the level of development along the river segment, with the Recreational classification for rivers with a greater degree of development and the Wild classification for rivers with the least amount of development.

Of rivers that were evaluated, 13 were found to be eligible. Since 1997, status of several rivers has changed. In 2000, three (Wildhorse Creek, Little Wildhorse Creek, and Kiger Creek) of the rivers found to be eligible were designated by Congress as WSRs in the Steens Act. The Steens Act also designated Mud Creek, Ankle Creek, and South Fork of Ankle Creek as additions to the Donner und Blitzen WSR system. These three rivers were not evaluated for eligibility or suitability in 1997 because the majority of land along each river was privately owned. Landownership along these rivers became predominately public with completion of several land exchanges also called for by the Steens Act. The remaining ten rivers found to be eligible include Big Alvord, Willow, Threemile, Pike, Mud (different from the Mud Creek described above), McCoy, Home, Little Cottonwood, Van Horn, and Big Trout Creeks.

The third step was to complete an evaluation and proposed suitability determination for each eligible river segment identified. Section 4(a) of the WSRs Act specifies the following factors that should be considered in the suitability evaluation and determination: current status of landownership and use in the area; reasonably foreseeable potential uses of the land and water that will be enhanced, foreclosed, or curtailed if the area were included in the National WSRs System, and values that will be foreclosed or diminished if the river is not protected as part of the National WSRs System; other agencies, organizations, or public interest in designation or nondesignation; administrative costs; ability of the agency to manage and protect the river area; and historic or existing rights.

In 2003 and 2004, the suitability evaluation and proposed determination for each eligible river were reviewed along with public comments on the Draft RMP/DEIS. No significant changes to suitability factors assessed for each river were identified. A summary of the suitability evaluation and proposed determination for each eligible river is located in Appendix N.

Management Direction

Based on the suitability evaluation and proposed determination completed for each river (Appendix N) no eligible rivers are recommended as administratively suitable for potential designation by Congress as WSRs. Unsuitable river segments are managed in accordance with RMP management objectives including wilderness, WSA, and at a minimum CMPA protections along their corridors.

Monitoring

The WSR monitoring is discussed at length in the Wilderness and WSRs Plan (Appendix P).

PLAN MAINTENANCE NO.: AMU-3

Plan Name: Andrews Management Unit ROD/RMP

Planning Unit: OR 026

Page: RMP-63

Heading: Lands and Realty

CHANGE:

The Record of Decision for BLM's *Implementation of a Wind Energy Development Program and Associated Land Use Plan Amendments* (WEDP) amended the Andrews Management Unit Resource Management Plan (RMP) to clarify that wind energy development will be restricted in ROW, realty use and renewable energy avoidance and exclusion zones as identified in the RMP.

In addition, programmatic policies and BMPs contained in the WEDP are adopted into the RMP. Adoption of these policies and BMPs was inadvertently left out of the final WEDP. Nevertheless, it was clearly the intent of the District for this to occur based on District comments and input during the development of the WEDP.

REASON:

Although the RMP stated that avoidance and exclusion areas applied to forms of renewable energy, for clarification it was necessary that the RMP specify that these zones also applied to wind energy development.

Programmatic wind energy policies and BMPs were not fully developed by the time the RMP was completed and therefore had to be included in the RMP at a later date by plan amendment.

Requires Plan Amendment

Conforms with existing Plan

SIGNATURES AS APPROPRIATE:

Realty Specialist	<u><i>Skip Renschler</i></u>	Date	<u>12-27-05</u>
Planning & Environmental Coordinator	<u><i>Gary Jolk</i></u>	Date	<u>1/3/06</u>
Supervisory Natural Resource Specialist,	<u><i>N/A</i></u>	Date	<u></u>
Field Manager	<u><i>M... ..</i></u>	Date	<u>1/3/06</u>

PLAN MAINTENANCE NO.: AMU-4

This plan maintenance action was never completed.

PLAN MAINTENANCE NO.: AMU-5

Plan Name: Andrews Management Unit ROD/RMP

Planning Unit: OR 026

Page: ROD-74 and 75

Chapter: Record of Decision (ROD)- Resources, Goals, Objectives, Rationale, Management Direction and Monitoring Section

Heading: Wilderness Study Areas and Parcels with Wilderness Characteristics

(Describe exactly what is to be deleted, added, rewritten, etc.)

CHANGE: Replace entire Rationale Section so that it states the following:

“WSAs are managed in a manner so as not to impair the suitability of the areas for preservation as wilderness under the Federal Land Policy and Management Act (FLPMA) of 1976, Section 603 (c), and the Steens Act, Section 204. Both the FLPMA, along with the subsequent Interim Management Policy (IMP), and the provisions of the Steens Act apply to management of WSAs.

Any WSAs designated as wilderness by Congress will be managed in accordance with the Wilderness Act of 1964 and any special provisions provided in the legislation designating the new wilderness. Any WSAs released by Congress from WSA status will be managed the same as the surrounding non-WSA lands.”

Below is the text to be deleted from the Rationale Section:

~~Wilderness preservation is part of the BLM’s multiple use mandate, and wilderness is considered in the land use planning process. WSAs are managed in accordance with the BLM’s WSA IMP (USDI 1995b). The Congressional mandate of nonimpairment, the primary standard for interim management, directs land under wilderness review be managed so as not to impair its suitability for preservation as wilderness. Wilderness values, described in Section 2 (c) of the Wilderness Act of 1964 (P.L. 88-577), must be protected in WSAs. The initial task of identifying areas suitable for wilderness preservation has been completed as mandated in the FLPMA Section 603, and is documented in BLM 1989 Oregon Final Wilderness EIS and Wilderness Study Report for Oregon (USDI 1991c).~~

~~The WSA IMP takes precedence over other management direction unless the latter is more restrictive and protective than the WSA IMP, in which case the more restrictive management is followed. The WSAs are managed under the WSA IMP until Congress makes a determination regarding wilderness designation. The WSA IMP states activities must comply with specific policy guidance, including the following nonimpairment criteria:~~

~~1. The use, facility, or activity must be temporary. Temporary use that does not create surface disturbance or involve permanent placement of facilities may be allowed if such use can easily and immediately be terminated upon wilderness designation.~~

~~2. When the use, activity, or facility is terminated, wilderness values must not have been~~

degraded so far as to significantly constrain Congressional prerogative regarding the area's suitability for preservation as wilderness.

Exceptions to nonimpairment criteria include emergencies such as fire suppression and search and rescue operations; reclamation of effects from WSA IMP violations; emergencies and pre-FLPMA impacts; grandfathered uses or facilities or valid existing rights; or uses and facilities to protect or enhance the land's wilderness values or are the minimum necessary for public health and safety in use and enjoyment of wilderness values.

The OHV and mechanized vehicle use in WSAs is limited to existing and designated ways unless the WSA is completely closed to OHV and mechanized vehicle use. Existing ways are those existing at the time of the wilderness inventory. Ways may be closed due to resource concerns. Use of OHVs and mechanized vehicles, including mountain bikes, is only allowed on existing ways and within open areas designated prior to passage of the FLPMA (October 1976). The Andrews MFP recognizes OHV and mechanized vehicle use occurred on the Alvord Desert playa in the Alvord Desert WSA prior to the FLPMA enactment. The OHV and mechanized vehicle use of the Alvord Desert playa does not impair wilderness values and does not preclude Congress from designating the area as part of the National Wilderness Preservation System. The BLM has allowed this use to continue based on the determination managed OHV and mechanized vehicle use will not preclude future wilderness designation. Should the Alvord Desert playa be designated as wilderness, OHV and mechanized vehicle use will not be allowed on the playa.

Management direction for WSAs not designated by Congress and released from WSA status will be the same as for surrounding non-WSA lands.

(Describe exact rationale for above change. Include reference material, *i.e.* EA, FMP, IM.)

REASON: The six paragraphs shown above, that would be deleted in the ROD summarize only portions of the IMP and neglect to mention the two legislative actions that created WSAs and outlined management direction for WSAs. Referring back to the Proposed RMP, Final EIS (pages 2-157 and 2-158) refers to legislative mandate for nonimpairment for suitability of the WSA for preservation as wilderness. These pages also summarize the IMP. As the whole IMP will be used for consideration of WSA management, as well as additional requirements of the Steens Act which was put into play following the completion of the IMP, excising and displaying only a short summary of the IMP may be misleading to the reader. The reader should be referred to the entire IMP, to FLPMA Section 603(c) and to the relevant sections of the Steens Act." Changes to the last paragraph were made to clarify management direction of WSAs that Congress either designates as wilderness or releases from WSA status.

Requires Plan Amendment

Conforms with existing Plan

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PLAN MAINTENANCE NO.: AMU-6

Plan Name: Andrews Management Unit ROD/RMP

Planning Unit: OR 026

Page: RMP-58

Chapter: Resource Management Plan- Resources, Goals, Objectives, Rationale, Management Direction and Monitoring

Heading: Wildland Fire Management – Management Direction

Component: Paragraph 1

(Describe exactly what is to be deleted, added, rewritten, etc.)

CHANGE: Replace entire Rationale Section so that it states the following:

Fuels management, stabilization, and rehabilitation activities in WSAs will be in compliance with the WSA IMP conducted in a manner so as not to impair the suitability of the areas for preservation as wilderness under the Federal Land Policy and Management Act (FLPMA) of 1976, Section 603 (c), the Steens Act, Section 204 and the subsequent WSA IMP.

(Describe exact rationale for above change. Include reference material, *i.e.* EA, FMP, IM.)

REASON: The current language only refers to the WSA IMP. The reader should be referred to the entire IMP, to FLPMA Section 603(c) and to the relevant sections of the Steens Act.

Requires Plan Amendment

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PLAN MAINTENANCE NO. SMWWSR-1

Plan Name Steens Mountain Wilderness and Wild and Scenic Rivers Plan

Planning Unit CMPA

Page Appendix P-3, P-51; Maps W-2 and W-3

Heading ACCESS; PERMITTED USE: ROADS

(Describe exactly what is to be deleted, added, rewritten, etc.)

CHANGE:

Change Page P-3 from "The Bone Creek Road passes through Steens Mountain Wilderness north of Alvord Peak" to "The Bone Creek Road and associated powerline passes through a corridor excluded from the designated wilderness north of Alvord Peak."

Change to language under Roads on P-51, paragraph 1 to: "There are approximately 53 miles of **routes** in Steens Mountain Wilderness and 7.3 miles of **routes** in the WSR corridors..."

Change to language under Roads on P-51, paragraph 3 to: "There are approximately **53** miles of routes..." from "...51 miles of routes..."

Change map legends W-2 and W-3 to: "Closed **Route** Except by Permit"

(Describe exact rationale for above change. Include reference material, *i.e.* EA, FMP, IM.)

REASON:

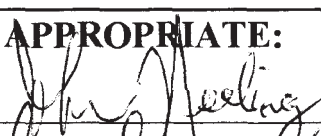
Clarifies that Bone Creek Road and powerline were excluded from Wilderness designation; clarifies that "routes" rather than "roads" are managed for access (route is more inclusive than the term road); corrects a typographical error from "51" to "53".

Requires Plan Amendment

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PLAN MAINTENANCE NO. SMWWSR-2

Plan Name Steens Mountain Wilderness and Wild and Scenic River Management Plan

Planning Unit CMPA

Page Appendix P-51

Heading PERMITTED USE ELEMENTS: ROADS

(Describe exactly what is to be deleted, added, rewritten, etc.)

CHANGE:

change language on page P-51 to: "Maintain existing public, private and permittee routes and other related infrastructure provided for by Sections 112 **and 202** of the Steens Act in a manner that minimizes effects to wilderness resources."

(Describe exact rationale for above change. Include reference material, *i.e.* EA, FMP, IM.)

REASON:

Change clarifies that all pertinent sections of the Steens Act are defined.

Requires Plan Amendment

Conforms with existing Plan

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PLAN MAINTENANCE NO. SMWWSR-3

Plan Name Steens Mountain Wilderness and Wild and Scenic River Plan

Planning Unit CMPA

Page P-16

Heading WILDLAND FIRE MANAGEMENT/MANAGEMENT DIRECTION, 3RD BULLET

(Describe exactly what is to be deleted, added, rewritten, etc.)

CHANGE:

From: All wildland fires in Steens Mountain Wilderness and WSRs will be suppressed using appropriate management actions. To the extent possible, adverse effects on the wilderness resources will be minimal.

To: All wildland fires in Steens Mountain Wilderness and WSR corridors will be managed for fire use or suppressed, if necessary, using appropriate management actions. To the extent possible, adverse effects on the wilderness resources will be minimal.

(Describe exact rationale for above change. Include reference material, *i.e.* EA, FMP, IM.)

REASON:

Clarifies that if a specific fire incident is selected for suppression then appropriate management actions, specifically tactics, will be used to minimize effects on wilderness resources. When taken in context with the entire fire management section it should be clear that fire use may also be selected for fires within the wilderness.

Requires Plan Amendment

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PLAN MAINTENANCE NO. SMWWSR-4.

Plan Name Steens Mountain Wilderness and Wild and Scenic Rivers Plan

Planning Unit OR027

Page	P-25
Chapter	MANAGEMENT STRATEGY
Heading	VISITOR USE ELEMENTS
Component	TABLE 2

(Describe exactly what is to be deleted, added, rewritten, etc.)

CHANGE:

Table 2: Campsite Condition Guideline -
Under Uplands: Change “ – No greater than 20 percent of campsites..” to “- No greater than 30 percent of campsites...”

(Describe exact rationale for above change. Include reference material, *i.e.* EA, FMP, IM.)

REASON:

Typographical error. The Steens Mountain Advisory Council recommended “30 percent”.

Requires Plan Amendment

Conforms with existing Plan

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PLAN MAINTENANCE NO. SMWWSR-5

Plan Name: Steens Mountain Wilderness and Wild and Scenic Rivers Plan

Planning Unit: OR027

Page	P-1
Chapter	Introduction
Heading	Background
Component	Paragraph 3, Lines 8-10

(Describe exactly what is to be deleted, added, rewritten, etc.)

CHANGE: (Rewritten)

The Steens Act states, "Where management requirements for a stream segment described in the amendments made by this section differ between the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act (16 U.S.C. 1271 et seq.) and the Wilderness Area, the more restrictive requirements shall apply."

(Describe exact rationale for above change. Include reference material, *i.e.* EA, FMP, IM.)

REASON:

~~Steens Act misquoted~~ ^{not} Steens Mountain Advisory Council recommendation.

Requires Plan Amendment

Conforms with existing Plan

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PLAN MAINTENANCE NO. SMWWSR-6

Plan Name: Steens Mountain Wilderness and Wild and Scenic Rivers Plan

Planning Unit: OR027

Page	P-4
Chapter	Introduction
Heading	Steens Mountain Wilderness Overview
Component	Paragraph 1, Lines 3-4

(Describe exactly what is to be deleted, added, rewritten, etc.)

CHANGE: (Change from section 201(a) to 202(a))

Section 202(a) of the Steens Act requires the Secretary to administer Steens Mountain Wilderness in accordance with Title II of the Steens Act and Wilderness Act.

(Describe exact rationale for above change. Include reference material, *i.e.* EA, FMP, IM.)

REASON:

Typographical error. Wrong section of Steens Act quoted. Steens Mountain Advisory Council recommendation.

Requires Plan Amendment

Conforms with existing Plan

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PLAN MAINTENANCE NO. SMWWSR-7

Plan Name: Steens Mountain Wilderness and Wild and Scenic Rivers Plan

Planning Unit: OR027

Page	P-20
Chapter	Visitor Use Elements
Heading	Wilderness Trails and Trailheads, Current Management Situation
Component	Paragraph 1

(Describe exactly what is to be deleted, added, rewritten, etc.)

CHANGE: (Rewritten)

There are no extensively or formally developed trailheads or other recreational facilities in Steens Mountain Wilderness or in overlapping areas containing WSR corridors. However, ten miles within Steens Wilderness and WSR corridors have been identified and "ground truthed". In addition, numerous other recreational trails are known to exist based on information submitted by permit holders and other sources. Below is a summary description of the ten trails/trailheads mentioned above.

(Describe exact rationale for above change. Include reference material, *i.e.* EA, FMP, IM.)

REASON:

Clarification. Steens Mountain Advisory Council recommendation.

Requires Plan Amendment

Conforms with existing Plan

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PLAN MAINTENANCE NO. SMWWSR-8

Plan Name: Steens Mountain Wilderness and Wild and Scenic Rivers Plan

Planning Unit: OR027

Page	P-21
Chapter	Visitor Use Elements
Heading	Wilderness Trails and Trailheads, Current Management Situation
Component	Paragraph 5 and 6

(Describe exactly what is to be deleted, added, rewritten, etc.)

CHANGE: (Rewritten)

At the time of development of the Steens Mountain Wilderness/WSRs Plan, BLM had identified and “ground truthed” ten trails within Steens Mountain Wilderness. In addition, numerous other recreational trails are known to exist based on information submitted by permit holders and other sources. As these, and possibly other trails, are identified and documented they may be added to the trail inventory.

The Steens Act allows for construction of new nonmotorized/nonmechanized trails which may be authorized based on established need. New trails may be constructed only if needed to preserve wilderness values and resources and if naturalness or solitude would not be appreciably affected. Nonmotorized/nonmechanized cross-country travel is not restricted, and use of established trails is not required. Where resource damage has occurred or is occurring or adverse effects to the wilderness experience are taking place by excessive or continual off-trail use, which creates permanent and long-lasting user trails, may be obliterated and restored to a natural condition. Continued or excessive use of such areas may trigger corrective actions. Trails are identified as a convenience for wilderness travelers but use is not required.

(Describe exact rationale for above change. Include reference material, *i.e.* EA, FMP, IM.)

REASON:

Clarification. Steens Mountain Advisory Council recommendation.

Requires Plan Amendment

Conforms with existing Plan

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PLAN MAINTENANCE NO.: SMWWSR-9

Plan Name: Steens Mountain Wilderness and Wild and Scenic Rivers Management and Plan

Planning Unit: OR 027

Page: P-20

Chapter: Visitor Use Elements

Heading: Wilderness Trails and Trailheads, Current Management Situation

Component: Paragraph 1

(Describe exactly what is to be deleted, added, rewritten, etc.)

CHANGE: Correction of trail miles to the number of trails:

There are no extensively or formally developed trailheads or other recreational facilities in Steens Mountain Wilderness or in overlapping areas containing WSR corridors. However, ten trails ~~miles~~ within Steens Wilderness and WSR corridors have been identified and "ground truthed". In addition, numerous other recreational trails are known to exist based on information submitted by permit holders and other sources. Below is a summary description of the ten trails/trailheads mentioned above.

REASON: The current language incorrectly listed ten miles of trails within the Steens Mountain Wilderness and WSR corridors. It should have listed ten trails.

Requires Plan Amendment

Conforms with existing Plan

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PLAN MAINTENANCE NO.: TR-1

Plan Name: Three Rivers RMP

Planning Unit: OR 025

Page: 2-182, 2-183

Chapter: 2

Heading: Lands and Realty

CHANGE:

The Record of Decision for BLM's *Implementation of a Wind Energy Development Program and Associated Land Use Plan Amendments* (WEDP) amended the Three Rivers Resource Management Plan (RMP) to clarify that wind energy development will be restricted in ROW and land use authorization avoidance and exclusion zones as identified in the RMP. Wind energy development will be considered on a case by case basis in areas outside these zones.

In addition, programmatic policies and BMPs contained in the WEDP are adopted into the RMP.

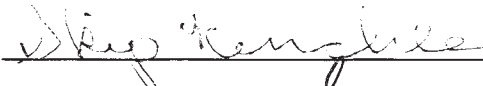
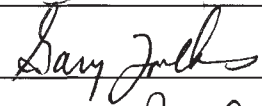

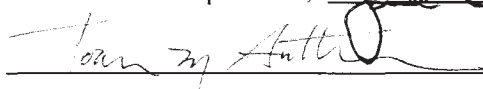
REASON:

Wind energy development, programmatic wind energy policies and BMPs were not considered or analyzed during preparation of the RMP and therefore had to be included in the RMP by plan amendment to conform with the National Energy Policy.

Requires Plan Amendment

Conforms with existing Plan

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PLAN MAINTENANCE NO.: TRRA-2

Plan Name: Three Rivers ROD/RMP

Planning Unit: OR 026

Page: 74 RMP-Three Rivers Resource Management Plan ROD

Chapter: 2

Heading: F 2.2, WL 1.4, WL 7.11

ISSUE: The reason for plan maintenance is to remove inconsistent language and clarify contradicting Procedures to Implement found in the plan. The management language contradictions were inadvertent and would keep the BLM from implementing improvements to rangeland, watershed health, wildlife habitat, or other management objectives.

CHANGE: Allocations/Management Action F 2.2 has the same meaning and intent as WL 1.4, and WL 7.11. F2.2 in the RMP reads as follows: *“Prohibit harvest of juniper foliage, fuelwood, and posts and poles from big game winter range in the area south of U.S. Highway 20, west of Oregon Highway 205”*. However the Procedures to Implement for F 2.2 is very different from WL 1.4 and WL 7.11. The Procedure to Implement for F 2.2 reads: *“Protect this geographic area by avoiding juniper control activity proposals”*.

Allocations/Management Action for WL 1.4 and WL 7.11 in the RMP read as follows: *“Prohibit harvest of woodland products such as fuelwood, posts, poles and juniper foliage from big game winter range in the area south of U.S. Highway 20, west of Oregon Highway 205”*. The Procedures to Implement for WL 1.4 and WL 7.11 read: *“Issue no woodland products permits for this area”*.

In addition, Allocations/Management Action for F 2.2 and especially the Procedures to Implement for F 2.2 contradict F 2.1, which states: *“Remove or thin selected concentrations of western juniper which adversely affect rangeland, watershed, wildlife habitat, or other management objectives”*.

The change of wording is to have Allocations/Management Action F 2.2 Procedures to Implement read as follows: *“Issue no woodland products permits for this area”*. By making the suggested change, commercial harvest would not be allowed south of U.S. Highway 20 and west of Oregon Highway 205; however, western juniper control would be allowed where it provides for wildlife habitat, watershed, and rangeland health improvement.

REASON: The wording of Allocations/Management Action and Procedures to Implement as currently written for F 2.2 prohibits any control or manipulation of western juniper south of U.S. Highway 20 and west of Oregon Highway 205. The intent of the RMP was not to prohibit wildlife habitat, watershed, or rangeland improvement projects in the identified area but rather to prohibit commercial harvest of juniper and forest products in the area south of U.S. Highway 20 and west of Oregon Highway 205.

Requires Plan Amendment

Conforms with existing Plan

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APPENDIX CX

Categorical Exclusions Language for Planning Updates

“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 XX 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.”

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