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 COLUMBIA RIVER GORGE NATIONAL SCENIC AREA  
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## PROJECT REVIEW APPLICATION

DATE OF APPLICATION: 03/10/09

30-DAY NOTICE REQUIRED

<b>APPLICANT(S)</b>			<b>PROPERTY OWNERS</b>		
USDA Forest Service, CRGNSA			Same		
MAILING ADDRESS			MAILING ADDRESS		
902 Wasco Ave., Suite 200					
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APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE AND DATE			PROPERTY OWNER'S SIGNATURE AND DATE		
PHONE:			PHONE:		
E-MAIL:			E-MAIL:		
<b>LOCATION OF PROPERTY</b>			<b>PROPERTY ADDRESS (IF APPLICABLE)</b>		
TOWNSHIP: 3N	RANGE: 8E	SECTION: 25,36			
QUARTER SECTION:		TAX LOT:			
PARCEL SIZE (ACRES): 100 ac			COUNTY: Skamania		
EXISTING LAND USE: SMA Forest			STATE: WA		

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:**

## VINCINITY MAPS



### LOCATION

Township 3 North, Range 8 East Section 25 and 36  
Township 3 North, Range 9 East Sections 30 and 31

The 100-acre contract area is the National Forest System Lands generally bounded on the south by SR-14, on the north by Mt Glade Road, on the east by Grant lake and Dog Mt, and on the west by Wind Mt.. The primary travel routes are SR-14, Bergen Road, Mt Glade Road, and Wind Mt Road.



## COLLINS EMERGENCY THIN

### Remove conifers less than 8” dbh from 100 acres within 30 ft. radius of oak trees > 10”

The following actions are proposed to save the oak woodland component from encroachment by conifers: 1)Thinning using cutting prescription, 2)Handpile slash, 3)Cover piles and burn when the correct “burn window” is present.

Although this encroachment is considered an emergency in the sense that it should not wait another year (due to the current mortality rate of oaks in this area), it is not defined as an emergency action under the Management Plan. The project will be reviewed under the regular SMA forest practices guidelines in the NSA Management Plan.

CUTTING PRESCRIPTION: See table below

Item No.	UNIT	Approx Acres	Vegetation Type	CUTTING PRESCRIPTION A
<b>1</b>	<b>A</b>	100	Oak-Pine Douglas fir	<p><u>Douglas fir</u> – Cut all DF &lt;20.0” dbh, within 30 ft radius of each oak &gt; 8 inches dbh</p> <p><u>Pine</u> – Cut all but one pine &lt;12.0” dbh within 30 ft radius of each oak &gt;8” dbh. The one pine left &lt;12” dbh shall be the furthest from each oak &gt;8” dbh.</p> <p><u>Oregon Oak</u> – Do not cut any hardwood trees</p> <p><u>Dead Trees</u> – Leave all dead trees.</p> <p>Handpile slash 3.0” diameter and less. Cover Piles.</p>

### SLASH PILING AND COVERING

- A. All slash material 3 inches and less in diameter shall be hand piled, and be as compact as possible. Larger limbs, tops, and stems shall have all smaller limbs cut off and piled. Slash material larger than 3 inches in diameter shall be left in place. Piles shall be free of dirt. Pile height must be the same as or greater than pile width. Minimum pile height and width 4’ x 4’. All piled material must be out from under the drip line of leave trees. Piles will be located on the flattest surface available, away from stumps or large downed logs. No piling on existing trails or within 50 feet of ephemeral/intermittent streams. Piles built on a slope shall run with the slope to prevent rolling. Piles shall not be placed within grassy opening and meadows.

- B. Cover slash material with material to maintain dryness of slash to facilitate burning by Forest Service at later date. The covering material will extend over  $\frac{3}{4}$  of the pile area. Minimum covering shall be 6' x 6' (36 sq. feet). The covering material shall extend to the ground on 2 sides of the pile. Covering shall be weighted down with material to prevent it from being removed by winds. The contractor shall cover each pile with plastic when it is approx.  $\frac{2}{3}$  of finished height and then shall pile the remaining  $\frac{1}{3}$  on top of the plastic.
- C. *Covering Material required:* Polyethylene Plastic Film .004 (4mil) minimum thickness by 6-ft minimum width, or laminated craft paper containing 2 layers of 30 lb. Craft Paper and 1 layer of 80 lb. asphalt or equivalent.

### SELECTION OF LEAVE TREES

Leave trees will be all those not specifically identified as cut trees in the prescription (Section D). Generally this will include all hardwoods, all shrubs, all cedars, and all pines greater than 12 inches dbh, and all Douglas fir 20 inches dbh or greater.

### CUTTING METHODS

- A. Stump Height All trees shall not exceed a stump height of 6 inches or 4 inches above natural obstacles. Trees shall be completely cut from the stump.
- B. Felling. Cut trees shall be felled away from unit boundaries, roads, telephone lines, established trails, stock driveways, fence lines, established land corners. Any trees falling on such areas shall be removed.
- C. Hung Up Trees. All cut trees shall be placed on the ground surface, so that it will not lean against or be suspended by a leave tree.

**Application Checklist: the following is required to complete your application:**

- Application form completed and signed
- Site Plan
- Key viewing areas checklist (attached)
- Names and addresses of adjacent property owners within 200 feet of parcel
- Any additional information as required:

**KEY VIEWING AREAS:** Key viewing areas are important public viewpoints and areas that afford opportunities to view the Gorge scenery. Key viewing areas are listed below. Please check those sites which can be seen from your property.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Historic Columbia River Highway               | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Washington State Route 14  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sandy River                                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Washington State Route 142            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Portland Women's Forum State Park             | <input type="checkbox"/> Washington State Route 141            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Crown Point                                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Cook-Underwood Road                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Rooster Rock State Park                       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dog Mountain Trail         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Multnomah Falls                               | <input type="checkbox"/> Beacon Rock                           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Larch Mountain                                | <input type="checkbox"/> Cape Horn                             |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Highway I-84, including rest stops | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Columbia River             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bonneville Dam Visitor Centers                | <input type="checkbox"/> Pacific Crest Trail Oregon Highway 35 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sherrard Point on Larch Mountain              |                                                                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Rowena Plateau/Nature Conservancy Viewpoint   |                                                                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Larch Mountain Road                           |                                                                |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wyeth Bench Road                   |                                                                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> County Road 1230 (Old WA St. Route 14)        |                                                                |