

PROPOSED ACTION STATEMENT
Fremont-Winema National Forests
Lakeview Ranger District

Project Name: **Logan Fire Reforestation**

Responsible Official: **TERRY SODORFF, Lakeview District Ranger**

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A. Project Description

Lakeview District Ranger, Terry Sodorff, proposes to plant ponderosa pine seedlings on approximately 53 acres where existing trees were killed by the Logan Fire in 2002. Seedlings would be planted on approximately a 12x12 spacing in the spring of 2004.

B. Location

National Forest System lands on the Lakeview Ranger District within the perimeter of the Logan Fire in the Yocum Valley area: T. 41 S., R. 16 E., W.M., sections 10 and 15 (refer to map).

C. Existing Conditions and Desired Condition

The Logan Fire burned about 115 acres, of which 83 acres are Fremont National Forest lands. The fire killed existing ponderosa pine and white fir trees on about 53 acres of the Lakeview Ranger District, while about 29 acres were underburned by the fire. The Fremont National Forest Land and Resource Management Plan (FLRMP) allocates this area to Management Area 5 (MA5), *Commercial Production of Sawtimber and Forage for Domestic Livestock*. FLRMP, as amended, objectives are to create healthy forest and range conditions, encourage the development of large diameter, open-canopy structure.

D. Purpose and Need For Action

The underlying need is for adequate tree stocking. The purpose of the proposed project is to reforest non-stocked areas that were burned to attain desirable vegetative conditions.

Reforestation of fire-killed stands to early seral species, such as ponderosa pine, will speed the development of forest vegetation. Late and old seral structure may be attained as much as 50 years earlier using these reforestation techniques.

The proposed action is designed to help move the area towards desired conditions described in the FLRMP, as amended. This activity is compatible with the management direction of the FLRMP.

E. Decision to be Made

Should the proposed reforestation be implemented or should any modifications be made to the proposed action based on comments received?

Are there extraordinary circumstances that warrant further analysis and documentation in an EA or EIS?

Is the action consistent with the management direction of the FLRMP or is a site-specific Forest Plan amendment necessary?

A. Initial Issues:

Internal scoping for this project will be provided for and documented by routing of a project card. Fremont South Zone (Bly and Lakeview Ranger Districts) resource specialists will document remarks and/or reports as necessary to provide adequate information and analysis.

F. Preliminary Alternatives to Proposed Action

No Action.

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District Ranger

Date