



Umatilla National Forest
Schedule of Proposed Activities
 Spring 2003

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ABOUT THIS SCHEDULE

The Umatilla National Forest is involved in dozens of activities every year. The Schedule of Proposed Activities (SOPA), published quarterly, makes it easier for you to keep track of and participate in our planning efforts. It lists all the projects we will be working on in the coming months. We will also provide updates on topics related to Forest Service planning. The schedule is updated every 3 months.

Notice that there is an asterisk (*) beside some activities and others are underlined. An asterisk means an activity is in the schedule for the first time. Underlined words denote a change or addition to an activity listed in previous schedules.

LEWIS CREEK PRESCRIBED FIRE PROJECT AND THE PAIGE VEGETATION AND FUELS MANAGEMENT ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENTS (EA) COMBINED

Pomeroy Ranger District is combining the Lewis Creek Prescribed Fire Project EA and the Paige Vegetation and Fuels Management EA into one analysis. The New Project is named Lewis Creek Fuels and Vegetation Management Project. The original two projects are adjacent to each other and both are designed to improve forest health, reduce the potential for large fires and increase forage production. The projects were combined to allow managers to better analyze treatments on a landscape scale. Any questions regarding the Lewis Creek Fuels and Vegetation Management Project should be directed to Dean Millett at the Pomeroy Ranger District.

BLUE MOUNTAIN LAND EXCHANGE EIS

The Malheur, Umatilla, and Wallowa-Whitman national forests are in the process of soliciting input regarding the proposed Blue Mountain Land Exchange. The proposed exchange is to trade approximately 20,568 acres of Federal lands for approximately 36,453 acres of non-Federal lands in scattered parcels throughout the Blue Mountains Province of Northeast Oregon. For detailed maps and legals, see the Blue Mountain Land Exchange web page: www.fs.fed.us/r6/w-w/planning/bmle/pages/.

ICBEMP MOU AND IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGY

The strategy for implementing the Interior Columbia Basin Ecosystem Management Project (ICBEMP) has been signed. The ICBEMP website, www.icbemp.gov has all the documents and press release information. In addition to the Implementation Strategy there is a Memorandum of Understanding between the federal agency partners for the implementation process

ROADLESS RULE UPDATE

At this point in time, the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals is still considering a rehearing request on its 12/12/02 split decision on the appeal of Judge Lodge's 5/10/01 preliminary injunction order. Judge Lodge had enjoined implementation of the Roadless Rule. The 9th Circuit Court of Appeals has not yet issued a mandate to Judge Lodge to lift his injunction so the injunction is still in place and the Forest Service is still enjoined from implementing the Roadless Rule.

SOPA ON THE INTERNET

You can access the SOPA from the Umatilla National Forest's web site on the Internet by going to www.fs.fed.us/r6/uma/sopa/sopa.htm. An E-Mail Mailing List has also been developed. We can now notify those with Internet access when an update has been posted to the Internet. If you have any comments on this web site, or would like to be added to the E-Mail list, please send a message to ldillavou@fs.fed.us or call Linda Dillavou at (541) 278-3892.



Visit the Umatilla NF web site at
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Project Name	Description	Size	Local/Legal Description	Status	Contact Name
Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS) SNOTEL Permit	Issue special use permit to NRCS to operate and maintain the eight SNOTEL sites currently located on various Districts on the Umatilla National Forest.	1.5 ac. (approx. 0.2 acres per site)	T.4S., R.29E., Sec. 30; T.5S., R.27E., Sec. 30; T.2S., R.35E., Sec. 29; T.3S., R.32E., Sec. 28; T.8N., R.42E., Sec. 9; T.9N., R.43E., Sec. 23; T.3N., R.38E., Sec. 31; T.7N., R.40E., Sec. 6	Scoping	Jeff Bloom
Blue Mountain Land Exchange EIS	Exchanging lands to consolidate ownership patterns on Federal and private lands.	20,570 ac of Federal land; <u>36,453</u> ac. of non-Federal land	Selected parcels in vicinity of Wallowa-Whitman, Umatilla, and Malheur National Forests	Scoping. Expect Decision 12/03	<u>Jean Lavell</u> 541-523-1230



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Rimrock Ecosystem Restoration Projects EIS	Resurface 27 miles and improve drainage and harden road surfaces on 13 additional miles. Obliterate and remove 10 miles of system road. Decommission 4 miles of system road. Improve closures on 22 roads. Road 230902 and 2300101 will be changed from open to closed status. Three existing roads fording Wall Creek will be improved. Maintain 140 in-channel fish structures on Big Wall and Wilson Creeks. Prescribe burn 42,000 acres to promote desired species composition and commercial thin to improve or maintain forest health. The project also includes other restoration projects.	33,000 ccf 5,500 ac.	Morrow, Wheeler, & Grant Co. OR, T-5S., R.25-27E.; T.6S., R.25-27E.; T.7S., R-25-27E.	Analysis, Expect FEIS and <u>ROD 04/03</u>	Dave Kendrick
Skookum/Alder EA/EIS	Restoration and fuels reduction in areas affected by the spruce budworm infestations during the late 1980's and early 1990's. Activities include fuels reduction to reduce catastrophic fire risk (removal of standing and fallen snags); and other activities designed to improve watershed conditions and provide ecosystem sustainability.	33,600 ac.	Morrow & Grant Co. OR. T.5S., R.27E., T.5S., R.28E., T.6S., R.27E., T.6S., R.28E., T.7S., R.27E., T.7S., R.28E.	<u>Project postponed</u>	Dave Kendrick
McKenzie Thin EA	Commercially thin overstory, primarily western larch, restore stand health by removing mistletoed western larch. Precommercially thin overstocked understory.	28 ac.	Morrow Co. OR. T.6S., R.29E., Sec. 4	Scoping & Analysis	Dave Kendrick
Rocky Flat Springs Upland Water Source CE	Place a spring box at the spring source, place water trough downslope and away from the spring source, and build an exclosure around the spring source.	2 ½ ac.	Grant Co. OR. T.7S., R.26E., Sec. 30 NE/SW; T.8S., R.26E., Sec. 11 NE/SW; T.8S., R.26E., Sec. 10 NW/SE; T.8S., R.26E., Sec. 3 NE/SW	Scoping & Analysis, Expect Decision <u>06/03</u>	Tom McLain
Midway Springs Upland Water Source CE	Place a spring box at the spring source, place a water trough downslope and away from the spring source, and build an exclosure around the spring source.	2 ½ ac.	Morrow Co. OR. T.5S., R.27E., Sec. 33 S/SE; T.6S., R.27E., Sec. 2 NW/SE; T.6S., R.27E., Sec. 13 NE/NW; T.6S., R.28E., Sec. 18 SW/SW; T.6S. R.28E., Sec. 30 NW/SE	<u>Maintenance only: no Decision Memo will be posted</u>	Tom McLain

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Access and Travel Management (ATM) Amendment	Change the date seasonal roads are open in the Winter Range west of State Hwy 395. This will allow the adjacent lands on the Heppner and North Fork John Day Ranger District to have the same dates for better understanding and compliance by users.	21 miles of (seasonally open) roads will be open on April 16 thru Nov. 30 instead of May 1 thru Nov. 30	Morrow & Umatilla Co. OR. North Fork John Day RD West of State Hwy. 395 to the Administrative Boundary with the Heppner RD.	<u>Decision Signed 1/03</u>	Lori Seitz
Bologna Basin Salvage EA	Salvage logging of severely defoliated stands caused by the 2001 Douglas-fir Tussock Moth outbreak. Commercially thin to improve or maintain forest health; lessen the likelihood of a high-intensity catastrophic fire; and reforest understocked areas for restoration of wildlife cover.	861 ac.	Grant Co. OR. T.8S., R.26E.	Analysis. <u>Expect EA 05/03</u>	Mike Burns
Section Line Spring Development CE	Place a spring box at the spring source, place a water trough downslope and away from the spring source, and build an enclosure around the spring source.	½ ac.	Morrow Co. T.5S., R.28E., Sec. 19 SW/SE	<u>Decision signed 3/12/03</u>	Tom McLain
Alder Creek <u>Dispersed Campsite</u> Maintenance CE	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Block off three dispersed camping sites that are damaging to the riparian area with large boulders. Modify the existing corral by removing that portion of corral adjacent to the stream channels and replacing that area with a new portion of corral away from the stream channels. Signage demarcating the no camping zone adjacent to the stream. Implementation of the "Respect the River" education program in the project area. 	2 ac.	Morrow Co. OR. T.6S., R.27E., Sec. 2	<u>Maintenance only: No Decision Memo will be posted.</u>	Tom McLain
Repair USFS Road 53 20 MPH Corner CE	The repair will occur on USFS Road 53 between milepost 24 and 25 and will stay within the existing ROW. No realignment will be done outside the current footprint of the clearing. The curves and grades through the area proposed for repair are out of balance with the rest of the road. Although it is adequately signed, it is felt that repairing the grades and site distance coming into the corner will improve safety.	1 mile	Morrow Co. OR. T.5S., R.28E., Sec. 11	<u>Decision signed 1/16/03</u>	Lori Seitz
2003 Gopher Trapping CE	Reduce damage and mortality of planted seedlings by controlling gopher populations within plantations using traps. This would be implemented over a period of 3 years.	Scattered plantations totaling approximately 1,500 acres	Grant, Morrow, & Wheeler Co. OR. T.7S., R.23, 24; 25E; T.6S., R.24, 27, 28E.; T.5S., R.28 & 29E.; T.4S., R.28, 29, & 30E.	<u>Decision signed 3/11/03</u>	John Shepherd

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Mallory Noncommercial Thin CE	Noncommercial thinning of young conifer stands in order to improve tree health and growth.	1,028 acres	Morrow Co. OR. T.5S., R.25E., and R.29E.; T.6S., R.28E. and R.29E.	Scoping & Analysis	Janet Stefani
*Tupper Defensible Space Fuels Reduction CE	Reduce the risk of wildland fire to the Tupper Administrative Site and associated buildings while providing a safer environment for firefighters to take suppression actions. Fuels that contribute to crown fire development and movement would be reduced through vegetation manipulation of the undergrowth and thinning of the overstory.	167 acres	Morrow Co. OR. T.6S., R.27E., Sec. 4 and 9	Scoping and Analysis	Doug Baxter
*Black Mountain Fuels Reduction CE	Reduce existing fuels to a level that will not support a stand replacement wildfire using various treatment methods, such as: grapple piling, chipping, and skyline suspension systems, along with hand piling. Areas to be treated typically contain fuel amounts and arrangements that require treatment prior to the introduction of prescribed fire.	2,745 acres	Morrow Co. OR. T.4S., R.28E., Sec. 13, 14, 22, 23, 24; T.4S., R.29E., Sec. 18 and 19	Scoping and Analysis	Doug Baxter
*Shaw/Black Mountain Hazard Tree Removal CE	Removal of hazard trees along open roads in the Black Mountain and Shaw grade areas.	Approx. 300 ccf/150 mbf	Morrow Co. OR. T.5S., R.28&29E.	Scoping and Analysis	Brian Spivey
*Eastend Roadside Hazard Tree Removal CE	Removal of hazard trees along open roads in the Mallory and Potamus areas.	Approx. 250 ccf/125 mbf	Morrow Co. OR. T.6S., R.28&29E.	Scoping and Analysis	Brian Spivey
*Wineland Roadside Hazard Tree Removal CE	Removal of hazard trees along open roads in the Long Prairie and The Notch areas.	Approx. 200 ccf/100 mbf	Wheeler Co. OR. T.6S., R.24E. & T.7S., R.23, 24, & 25E.	Scoping and Analysis	Brian Spivey
*Southern Hazard Tree Removal CE	Removal of hazard trees along open roads in the Bull Prairie, Wall Creek and Indian Creek areas.	Approx. 400 ccf/200 mbf	Grant and Wheeler Co. OR. T.7S., R.25, 26, and 27E.	Scoping and Analysis	Brian Spivey
*Alder Roadside Hazard Tree Removal CE	Removal of hazard trees along open roads in the Tupper and Alder Creek areas.	Approx. 400 ccf/200 mbf	Morrow Co. OR. T.6S., R.27&28E.	Scoping and Analysis	Brian Spivey



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Project Name	Description	Size	Local/Legal Description	Status	Contact Name
Upper Desolation Tree Thinning EA	Thinning of commercial-sized trees in stands adjacent to the 1996 Bull Fire to advance development of mature forest and reduce stress in densely stocked stands.	150 acres of commercial thinning (<u>1000</u> ccf)	Grant Co. OR. T.8S., R.34E., Desolation Lookout, Olive Lake	Scoping & Analysis, Expect Decision Summer 2003	Ralph Hartman
Buck Creek Underburn EA	Underburning portions/spots of approximately 5,280 acres to reduce risk of wildfire to the town of Granite, improve timber stand conditions, and improve the opportunity to implement prescribed fire within wilderness.	5,280 ac.	Grant Co. OR. T.8S., R.34, 35 E., 3 miles NW of Granite, OR	Decision pending completion of ESA consultation	Randy Fitzgerald
Wild West Fuels Reduction EA	Underburn approximately 29,000 acres of ponderosa pine and mixed conifer to reduce surface fuel loadings, improve wildlife forage, and reduce non-fire dependent tree species regeneration. Re-introduce low intensity fire into a fire dependent ecosystem on a 10-year average entry (rotation). (Note: This includes the following units: Ellis Meadow, Potamus, Thompson Falls, Parallel, Big Bird, Morsay, Gopher, Dry 5, Wolflick, Sugar Bowl, Divide, Gulliford, Kenny Prairie, Matlock, and Tribble.)	24,260 ac.	Morrow & Umatilla Co. OR. T.4&5S., R.29&30E.	Decision pending completion of ESA consultation	Noel Livingston



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Tower Fire Recovery Project EIS	Involves 47 projects to recover 50,800-acre Tower Fire area including: road repair or road obliteration; removal of fish passage barriers; fencing of riparian areas; planting of riparian vegetation; soil stabilization and decompaction; prescribed fire; rehabilitation of Oriental Campground, scattered dispersed campsites, and trails; construction of an OHV trail; salvage of dead trees and commercial and noncommercial thinning of densely stocked live trees; and reforestation with spot application of herbicides to control competing vegetation. Some activities including salvage would occur within the South Fork Tower Roadless Area.	2,196 ac. of salvage (9.9 mmbf), 598 ac. of commercial thinning (1.5 mmbf), 1.5 mi. of temporary road construction, 12.7 mi. of road closure, 33.1 mi. of road obliteration, 10,285 ac. of reforestation with spot application of herbicides to control competing vegetation.	Grant & Umatilla Co. OR. T.5S., R.6S., T.7S., R.32E., R.33E., R.33-1/2E., R.34E.	FEIS available. Decision <u>expected 4/03</u>	Janel Lacey
Granite Area Mining Projects EIS	Recent listings under the Endangered Species Act have necessitated updating the environmental analyses for existing and proposed mining plans of operations for active mining operations within the Granite Creek Watershed. DEIS available at www.fs.fed.us/r6/uma/nepa/readroom.htm	16 mining claims	Grant Co. OR; T8-10S, R35,35-1/2E	DEIS available. Comment period ended. Expect FEIS Summer 2003	Bob Reed
Camp Creek Placers EA	Further development of an existing mining site in order to excavate and process material for mineral extraction. EA available at www.fs.fed.us/r6/uma/nepa/readroom.htm	5 ac.	Grant Co. OR. T.7S., R.33E., Sec. 6	Decision pending completion of ESA consultation	Bob Reed
Round Meadows Trail Reroute EA	Existing location of OHV trail requires high maintenance. An intense thunderstorm in 2000 caused damage that is depositing sediment into South Fork Cable Creek. Reroute #1 is approximately 1.1 miles long and would move the trail to a ridgetop location. Reroute #2 is about .4 miles and would eliminate steep, eroding section adjacent to South Fork Cable Creek with several switchback turns and relocation of the bridge. EA available for review at www.fs.fed.us/r6/uma/nepa/readroom.htm	1.5 mi.	Umatilla Co. OR. T.6S., R.33E., Sections 14, 15, and 22	<u>Decision pending completion of ESA consultation</u>	Rick Guglielmi

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Trout Meadows Sheep Allotment EA	Analyze sheep grazing effects on Trout Meadows Sheep Allotment	31,000 acres	Grant Co. OR. T.6S., R.34E., T.6S., R.35E., T.7S., R.34E., T.7S., R.35 1/2E; T.7S., R.35E	Scoping & Analysis	Tom Thompson
NFJD Non-commercial Thinning EA	Thinning of non-commercial sized conifer trees and treatment of created fuels. Implemented 2004-2009.	25,000 ac.	Grant, Morrow, Umatilla, & Union Co. OR. District-wide, outside of wilderness, roadless, RCHA's and LAV's	Scoping	Scott McDonald
Frazier Cabin Propane Installation CE	Install propane tank and underground line for cabin heat source.	100 feet of line	Umatilla Co. OR	<u>Postponed</u>	Ralph Hartman
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Columbia Basin ATV Tours Special Use Permit CE	Approve a permit to use Winom-Frazier OHV Complex to lead up to 4 ATV tours/year. Group size 6 or less ATV's and drivers. Tours will instruct drivers in the safe and responsible use of ATVs, emphasizing the "Tread Lightly" philosophy.	Throughout Winom-Frazier OHV Complex	Umatilla Co. OR. T.5S., R.34E., Sec. 2.	<u>Decision Signed</u>	Bob Reed
Genetic Investigation of Trout in Winom Creek CE	Sample trout population to determine presence of bull trout and determine extent of bull trout/brook trout hybridization.		Umatilla & Grant Co. OR. T.6S., R.33E., Sec. 15, 16, 21, 22, 28, 29, 31, 32; and T.7S., R.33E., Sec. 1, 7, 12	Scoping	Kristy Groves
Western Route Timber Sale EA	Commercially thin densely stocked stands on dry sites to reduce tree competition and improve forest health.			Scoping. Expect EA in Fall 2003	Lea Baxter
Roadside Hazard Tree Removal CE	Remove dead or damaged trees that could fall into Forest Road 52 (outside the Tower Fire boundary) and Forest Road 10.	Spots along approximately 30 miles	Umatilla & Grant Co. OR	Scoping. Expect Decision 6/03	Ralph Hartman
Designated Camp Area for Commercial Mushroom Harvesters CE	Re-approve use of an area to serve as an industrial camp for commercial mushroom harvesters in order to minimize impacts to vegetation.	Less than 5 acres	Umatilla Co. OR. T.6S., R.32E., Sec. 9-10	Scoping. Expect Decision 5/03	Ralph Hartman

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FY03 District-wide Porcupine Damage Control CE	Removal of porcupine in areas where trees are or could be heavily damaged or killed by porcupine. This would be done to maintain adequate tree stocking levels, reduce the need of replanting an area or maintain costly trees such as those found in Tree Orchards and Evaluation Plantations.	Approx. 1,500 acres	Morrow, Umatilla, & Grant Co. OR. District-wide	Scoping, Expect Decision <u>5/03</u>	Vince Novotny
*Wagon Train Trail Ride Special Use	Issue permit for organized trail ride.		Grant Co. OR	Expect Decision May 03	Ralph Hartman



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Lewis Creek Prescribed Fire EA	<u>See narrative on page 1 of this schedule of proposed activities.</u>				
Road 40 Reconstruction CE	Propose to repair and improve unsafe and degrading sections of a forest arterial. Work would include reconditioning of existing road surfaces, removal of hazard trees, improvement of road drainage facilities, establishment of standard road widths through narrow sections, constructing additional turnouts, and stabilizing cut and fill slopes.	13.8 km (8.58 mi.)	Garfield & Asotin Co. WA. T.7N., R.43E., Sec. 5, 6, 7, 8, 17, 18, 19, 20 & 29; T.8N., R.43E., Sec. 31	Expect Decision 2003	Lonnie Ruchert
Tallow Tail Prescribed Fire EA	Propose to use landscape prescribed fire and mechanical fuels treatments to improve forest vegetation health and resiliency, reduce catastrophic fire potential, and increase forage production. Prescribed burning will take place in the fall using hand and/or aerial ignition methods.	Approx. 2,000 ac.	Garfield and Columbia Co. WA T.8N., R.41E., Sec. 1, 12, & 13; T.8N., R.42E., Sec. 5-8, 18, and 19	Scoping & Analysis. Expect Decision 2003	Melinda Martin, Steve Carlson
Bench Vegetation and Fuels Management Area EA	Propose to use mechanical fuels removal, mechanical tree removal, and prescribed fire treatments to improve forest vegetation health and resiliency, reduce wildfire hazard, and increase forage production.	Approx. 650 ac., 1-2 mmbf	Garfield and Wallowa Co. WA. T.6N., R.42E., Sec. 1-4, 9, 15, 16, & 22.	Scoping & Analysis. Expect Decision 2003	Randall Walker
Paige Vegetation and Fuels Management Area EA	<u>See narrative on page 1 of this schedule of proposed activities.</u>				
Wickiup Campground CE	Existing facility has deteriorated. Project scope will eliminate access barriers, improve the usage potential of the campground, and protect the area from further resource damage. Project entails placing campground sign, replacement of picnic tables and fire rings as needed; surfacing access roads and parking spurs with aggregate; placement of boulder/log parking barriers; and facility maintenance as needed.	6 campsites 2 ac.	Garfield Co. OR. T.N., R.43E., Sec. 28	Expect Decision 2003	Del Groat
Teal Camp Campground CE	Project entails replacing existing bulletin board; placing fire rings and picnic tables; resealing shelter; placement of concrete sidewalk to outhouses; surfacing access road and parking spurs with aggregate; and facility maintenance as needed. Work will help eliminate access barriers and make campground more usable.	8 campsites 5 ac.	Garfield Co. WA. T.8N., R.42E., Sec. 8	Expect Decision 2003	Del Groat

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Big Butte Fuels Reduction CE	Propose to use mechanical fuels removal and prescribed fire treatments to reduce wildfire hazard in wildland/urban interface.	Approx. 800 ac.	Asotin Co. WA. T.8N., R.42E., Sec. 26, 27, 28, 33, 34, & 35	<u>Postponed</u>	Melinda Martin, Steve Carlson
Arbothknott Fuels Reduction CE	Propose to use mechanical fuels removal and prescribed fire treatments to reduce wildfire hazard in wildland/urban interface. <u>Activities are proposed for National Forest and adjacent private land.</u>	Approx. <u>1,500</u> ac.	Garfield Co. WA. T.9N., R.42E., Sec. 1, 2, 3, 4, & 5; <u>T.10N., R.42E., Sec. 33-36</u>	Scoping & Analysis. Expect Decision 2003	Melinda Martin, Steve Carlson
Maloney Fuels Reduction CE	Propose to use mechanical fuels removal and prescribed fire treatments to reduce wildfire hazard in wildland/urban interface. <u>Activities are proposed for National Forest and adjacent private land.</u>	Approx. <u>2,000</u> ac.	Columbia Co. WA. <u>Portions of Sec. 1, 12-14, 23-26 of T.9N., R.41E.; Sec. 31-33 of T.10N., R.41E.; and Sec. 36 of T.10., R.40E.</u>	Scoping & Analysis. Expect Decision 2003	Melinda Martin Steve Carlson
Twin Buttes Fuels Reduction CE	Propose to use mechanical fuels removal and prescribed fire treatments to reduce wildfire hazard in wildland/urban interface.	Approx. 100 ac.	Columbia Co. WA. T.6N., R.40E., Sec. 2 & 3	Scoping & Analysis. Expect Decision 2003	Melinda Martin Steve Carlson
Misery Springs Campground CE	Existing facility has deteriorated and is showing the "wear and tear" of visitor use. Project entails surfacing entrance, loop roads, and parking spurs with aggregate; replacing fire rings, tables, and vault outhouse; relocating campground sign; vegetation rehabilitation; and facility maintenance as needed. Project scope will eliminate accessibility barriers; improve the vegetation growth between campsites and low impact areas; and increase the health and safety of the facility.	5 campsites; 3 ac.	Garfield Co. WA. T.7N., R.42E., Sec. 1	Expect Decision 2003	Del Groat
French Ridge Outhouse CE	Existing facility at Goose Corral has deteriorated and is inaccessible to many Forest users. Project entails placing a concrete outhouse and removing the old outhouse. Work will help eliminate access barriers and make facility more usable.	1/10 ac.	Columbia Co. WA T.7N., R.41E., Sec. 6	<u>Canceled</u>	Del Groat
Cross Canyon Trailhead Outhouse CE	Existing facility at Cross Canyon is an old outhouse built by an outfitter/guide permittee that has deteriorated, is inaccessible, and was not built to any Forest standard. Project entails placing a concrete outhouse and removing the old outhouse. Work will help eliminate access barriers and make facility more usable.	1/10 ac.	Wallowa Co. OR. T.6N., R.41E., Sec. 28	<u>Canceled</u>	Del Groat

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Clearwater Lookout Outhouse CE	Existing facility has deteriorated and is inaccessible to pumpers. Project entails placing a concrete outhouse near the Lookout and removing the old outhouse. Work will help eliminate access barriers and make facility more usable for administrative use and for the cabin rental program.	1/10 ac.	Garfield Co. WA. T.8N., R.42E., Sec. 5	<u>Canceled</u>	Del Groat
West Wenatchee Trail Recon-struction CE	Reconstruct existing trail where it is on higher ground outside riparian areas, relocate trail where it currently is in wet riparian areas, and relocate trail to eliminate creek crossings.	7 mi.	Asotin Co. WA. T.7N., R.43E., Sec. 16, 17, 18, 21, 22, 26, 27	<u>Decision signed 1/28/03</u>	Rich Martin
Stentz Spring Recreation Residence Lot #8 Water Reservoir Placement CE	Propose to relocate existing 350 gallon water reservoir to supply gravity feed water to recreation residence.	.1 ac.	Garfield Co. WA. T.9N., R.42E., Sec. 29	Scoping, Expect Decision 2003	Rich Martin
Person Use Post and Pole Program 2003 CE	Post and poles for personal use.	35 ac. 50 mbf	Garfield Co. WA. T.8N., R.43E., Sec. 28; T.8N., R.42E., Sec. 4, 23, and 25; T.9N., R.42E., Sec. 33	<u>Decision Signed 3/24/03</u>	Bill Bowles
2003 Personal Use Firewood Program CE	Fuelwood for personal use.	2,500 mbf	Asotin, Columbia, & Garfield Co. WA. In designated firewood cutting areas.	<u>Decision Signed 3/24/03</u>	Bill Bowles
Blue Mountain Archers Permit Reissuance CE	Reissuance of Special Use Permit for the purpose of holding a two-day archery shoot.	Approx. 20 ac.	Columbia Co. WA. T.9N., R.41E., Sec. 21	Scoping, Expect Decision Spring 2003	Rich Martin
*Lewis Creek Fuels & Vegetation Management Project EA	Proposed to use mechanical fuels removal, mechanical tree removal, and prescribed fire treatments to improve forest vegetation health and resiliency, reduce wildfire hazard, and increase forage production.	3,100 ac.	Columbia Co. WA. T.8N., R.40E., Portions of sections 2, 3, 10, 11, 14, 15, and 23; T.9N., R.40E., portion of sec. 34.	Analysis. Expect Decision 2003	Dean Millett

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*FY 2003 Non-Commercial Thinning CE	Propose to mechanically reduce the stocking levels in 20-year old stands thru non-commercial thinning treatments. These treatments will improve forest vegetation health and resiliency, reduce wildfire hazard and increase forage production.	Approx. 700 acres.	Columbia, Garfield, & Asotin Co. WA. Portions of T.9N., R.43E., Sec. 21, 28, & 29; T.9N., R.42E., Sec. 5 & 8; T.8N., R.40E., Sec. 2; T.9N., R.42E., Sec. 1, 2, 12, & 13; T.9N., R.42E., Sec. 31 & 35; T.8N., R.42E., Sec. 23; T.9N., R.42E., Sec. 25; T.9N., R.43E., Sec. 17, 19, 20, and 30; T.9N., R.42E. Sec. 12, 13, 15, & 22; T.9N., R.42E., Sec. 8, 16, & 17.	Analysis. Expect Decision 2003	Bill Lydie
*North-South ORV Trail EA	Propose to construct 29-mile ORV Trail from forest boundary on Road 40 to forest boundary on Road 4304. The trail system will offer user group a safe recreational trail opportunity	29 miles	Garfield & Asotin Co. WA. T.9N., R.42E., Sec. 4, 9, 16-17, 20, 39, 32; T.8N., R.42E., Sec. 5, 8-9, 15, 22-23, 25-26, 36; T.8N., R.43E., Sec. 29, 31-32, 34-36; and T.7N., R.44E., Sec. 2-6.	Scoping. Expect Decision in 2004	Rich Martin
*Big Spring Campground Erosion Control Project CE	Propose to repair and improve degrading section of entry road, replacement of picnic tables and fire rings. Repair water line and surfacing of trailer and tent pads.	Approx. 2 ac.	Garfield Co. WA. T.9N., R.42E., Sec. 27 & 28.	Scoping. Expect Decision 2003	Ken Bott
*Cloverland Sno-Park Expansion CE	Expand existing sno-park to make more efficient use of parking area. Provide safer parking conditions and protect resources in the area.	Approx. 2 ac.	Asotin Co. WA. T.8N., R.44E., Sec. 29	Scoping. Expect Decision 2003	Rich Martin
*Stevens Ridge ATV Trail Complex EA	Construct a trail network to accommodate a variety of recreation uses. The trail will be designated for ATV use, but will be available for other user groups.	Approx. 18.34 mi.	Garfield Co. WA. T.9N., R.42E., Sec. 3-4, 9-10, & 16	Scoping and Analysis	Rich Martin
*Stentz Spring Lot #11 Recreation Residence Addition CE	Project is a simple addition to the existing structure. It will add 250 square feet to the cabin area. The addition will be mounted on concrete blocks. It is designed to match the current outside features.	250 sq. feet	Garfield Co. WA. T.9N., R.42E., Sec. 29	Expect Decision 2003	Rich Martin
*Elk Flats-Wenaha Breaks Research Natural area	Formally designate the proposed Elk Flat-Wenaha Breaks Area as a Research Natural area.	1970 acres	Wallowa Co. OR. T.5&6N., R.40E. Located in the Wenaha-Tucannon Wilderness.	EA preparation	Jean Wood 541-278-3931

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Plenty Bob Restoration Project EIS	Salvage of dead and dying timber, stocking level control, 18,000 of prescribed fire and wildlife burns. Precommercial thinning 45 miles of road obliteration.	Estimated volume 10-20 mmbf	Umatilla Co. OR, T.1, 2 & 3N., R.36&37E.	Notice and comment period ended 9/24/01. FEIS in progress. Expect Decision 6/03	Glen Westlund
Pedro/Colt Timber Sale EA	Salvage of dead and dying timber, stocking level control, road obliteration and precommercial thinning.	13,000 mbf 2,000 harvest acres; 5,300 ac. Prescribed fire	Umatilla & Union Co. OR, T.1&2N., R.38&39E.	<u>30-day EA review ends April 15.</u> Expect Decision 5/03	Glen Westlund
64 Rd. NF Touchet Paving EA	Improve drainage, minor reconstruction, pave road from Co. Rd. to 6400650 (Ski Bluewood)	7.5 mi.	Columbia Co. WA, T.7&8N., R.40E.	Consultation. Expect Decision Spring 2003	Glen Westlund
Touchet Corral and North Touchet Snowmobile Trail Reconstruction EA	Replace three bridges, construct cross-drains, reconstruct 500 feet of steep slope. Replace existing culvert under Forest Road 6400650 with bridge to allow snowmobile and groomer passage. Provide drainage under snowmobile trail for springs.	3 mi.	Columbia Co. WA. T.7N., R.40E., Sec. 2, 17, 18, 20	EA Preparation Expect Decision 6/03	Jimmye Turner
Corporation/Buck Creek Organization Camp Permit CE	Issue special use permit to operate Corporation and Buck Creek as an Organization Camp. Included is the replacement of a bridge.	9 ac.	Umatilla Co. OR. T.3N., R.37E., Sec. 21 & 22	Expect Decision 8/03	Jeff Bloom
Ninemile Trailhead Horse Camp CE	Add facilities for users with horses at the existing trailhead. Facilities to be added include an unloading ramp, mangers, hitching rails, pull through parking spurs and toilets.	3 ac.	Umatilla Co. OR. T.3N., R.38E., Sec. 32	Scoping	Steve Anderson
Middle Point Ridge Trail Reconstruction CE	Convert four climbing turns to switchbacks on an existing trail. Install restroom at trailhead.	.1 ac.	Columbia Co. WA. T.8N., R.40E., Sec. 27	Scoping	Steve Anderson
Spring Mountain Sheep Allotment EA	Analyze the effects of continuing sheep grazing within the existing allotment giving consideration to soils, watershed, wildlife, fisheries, recreation, timber and other resources.	35,374 ac.	Umatilla Co. WA. T.1S., R.37E.	Scoping. Expect Decision Spring 2003	Tom Thompson

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Noncommercial thinning FY 2003 CE	Noncommercial thinning in young conifer stands below 4500'.	1,500 ac.	District-wide Columbia Co. WA; Umatilla, Wallowa, and Union Co. OR	Scoping	John Mitchell
Hardwood Restoration EA	Restoration of primarily aspen and cottonwood stands across the district. Management actions to be considered include fencing, prescribed fire, removal of competing conifers and other vegetation, planting and transplanting seedlings	102 aspen sites; 50 cottonwood and other hardwoods	District-wide	EA Preparation	Kathy Campbell
Tollgate Recreation Residence Waterline CE	Install waterline to cabin.	3,650 feet	Umatilla Co. OR. T.4N., R.38E., Sec. 33; T.3N., R.38E., Sec. 4. Upper Grande Ronde	Expect Decision <u>6/03</u>	Jeff Bloom
Bluewood Tamarack Trail Culverts CE	Install 3 culverts where stream crosses ski trail.	0.03 ac.	Columbia Co. WA. T.7N., R.38E., Sec. 18 & 19.	Scoping. Expect Decision 6/03	Jeff Bloom
Fry Creek Seed Orchard Fuel Break CE	Prune approximately 59 acres in the stand surrounding the Fry Creek Seed Orchard	59 ac.	Union Co. OR. T.4N., R.40E., Sec. 33	Expect Decision 6/03	John Mitchel
Corporation Septic Tank CE	Install new septic tank drainfield at Corporation Guard Station	<1/10 th ac.	Umatilla Co. OR. T.3N., R.37E., Sec. 21	Scoping	Jeff Bloom
Ski Bluewood Snowboard Terrain Park Recontour CE	Recontour the lower portion of the snowboard terrain park	2 ac.	Columbia Co. WA. T.7N., R.38E., Sec. 18	Postponed	Jeff Bloom
Spout Recreation Homes Defensible Space CE	Removal of approximately 100 trees blown over or damaged around the house at the Spout Springs summer homes administrative site.	18 ac., plus 27 ac. of lots	Union Co. OR. T.3N., R.38E., Sec. 9 & 10	Scoping	Glen Westlund
*Table Rock Toilet CE	Installation of toilet approximately 600 feet NE of Table Rock Lookout	400 sq. feet	Walla Walla Co. WA. T.6N., R.39E., Sec. 3, W.M.	Scoping	Doug Simler
*Non-Commercial Thinning CE	Non-commercial thin of approximately 650 ac.	650 ac.	Various	Scoping	John Mitchell
*Dry Creek Fuels Reduction CE	Reduce fuel loadings and reduce ladder fuels within 200 feet of Forest Roads 31 and 32 using machine mastication.	600 ac.	Umatilla & Union Co. OR	Scoping	Su Meredith

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*Boundary Fuels Reduction CE	Reduce surface and ladder fuels within ¼ miles of the Forest Boundary and within the North Mt. Emily Roadless Area. Fuels reduction would utilize hand methods and burning of piles.	1,000 ac.	Umatilla & Union Co. OR.	Scoping	Su Meredith
*Lower Sheep Timber Sale and Fire Reintroduction Project EA	Lower elevation Forest along the breaks to the Grande Ronde River would utilize prescribed fire and timber harvest to restore ponderosa pine and western larch Forest and grasslands and brush along the canyon walls. No harvest is proposed in the roadless area. Forest treatments in higher elevations would focus on mixed Forest stands in need of stocking control or the removal of off site ponderosa pine. Approximately 40% of the harvest would occur in lynx habitat with treatments that would not change habitat use. The majority of stands are dominated by western larch	4,300 ac. of prescribed fire. 2,680 acres of harvest.	Wallowa Co. OR. T.4N., R.40E.; T.4N., R.39E., Sec. 1, 12, 13, 24, 25; T.4N., R.41E., Sec. 7, 18, 30, 31; T.5N., R.40E., Sec. 31, 32, 33, 28, 29.	Scoping	John Mitchell, Glen Westlund

