

Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000  
Public Law 106-393  
**Title II Project Submission Form**  
**Northeast Oregon Forests Resource Advisory  
Committee**

**1. Project Number** (Assigned by Designated Federal Official): UN-WAW04-605

<b>2. Project Name:</b> Bear Creek Restoration	<b>3. County:</b> Union
<b>4. Project Sponsor:</b> Paul Boehne	<b>5. Date:</b> April 12, 2002
<b>6. Sponsor's Phone Number:</b> 541-962-8521	
<b>7. Sponsors E-mail:</b> <a href="mailto:pboehne@fs.fed.us">pboehne@fs.fed.us</a>	

<b>8. Project Location</b> (attach project area map)	
a. 4 <sup>th</sup> Field Watershed Name and HUC #: Upper Grande Ronde River 17060104	
b. 5 <sup>th</sup> Field Watershed Name and HUC # (if known): Meadow Creek 17060104 – 86	
c. Location: Township <u>4S</u> Range <u>34E</u> Section(s) <u>21</u> Township _____ Range _____ Section(s) _____ Township _____ Range _____ Section(s) _____	
d. BLM District	e. BLM Resource Area
f. National Forest Wallowa-Whitman	g. Forest Service District La Grande
h. State / Private / Other lands involved? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	

**9. Statement of Project Goals and Objectives:** (max. 7 lines)  
This project will reduce road related sediment to Bear Creek, habitat for federally listed steelhead, and improve the structural habitat elements in 1.0 mile of Bear Creek. Acceleration of riparian vegetation recovery will be attained by planting native riparian hardwoods and conifers along the 1.0-mile of Bear Creek leading to improved shading and stream bank stability. This project will improve and relocate 1.1 miles of the 2105 road to a ridge location.

**10. Project Description:** (max. 30 lines.)  
This project will reconstruct approximately 1.1 miles of the 2105 road to a ridge location. The current location of the 2105 road is in the headwater draws of Bear Creek. This existing roadway, approximately 1.6 miles, will be obliterated and the road prism pulled back to a nearly the original contour. Bear Creek contains habitat for federally listed steelhead and will have structural elements of wood and rock reintroduced to 1.0 mile. These structural elements will be designed by a fish biologist with 20 years of experience in stream restoration, to work hydrologically with the stream channel and not cause channel erosion or create hydrological anomalies. Approximately 100 whole trees and 20 rock structures will be placed by tracked excavator to increase sediment storage, pool frequency, and

fish habitat diversity and to improve effective fish hiding cover. The riparian area has lost a significant component of the coniferous forest due to the road prism. When the road is recontoured and the structural elements replaced, riparian hardwoods and conifers will be planted. Native seed will be sown to reduce erosion and compete against noxious weed invasion.

<b>11. Coordination of this project with other related project(s) on adjacent lands?</b>
X Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <b>If yes, then describe</b> (max. 10 lines) This project was developed as an outgrowth of the Starkey Fuels Reduction Project currently being implemented.

<b>12. How does proposed project meet purposes of the Legislation?</b> [Sec. 203(b)(1)]
X Improves maintenance of existing infrastructure. [Sec. 2(b)]
X Implements stewardship objectives that enhance forest ecosystems. [Sec. 2(b)]
X Restores and improves land health. [Sec. 2(b)]
X Restores water quality. [Sec. 2(b)]

<b>13. Project Type</b> (check one) [Sec. 203(b)(1)]	
<input type="checkbox"/> Road Maintenance [Sec. 2(b)(2)(A)]	<input type="checkbox"/> Trail Maintenance [Sec. 2(b)(2)(A)]
<input type="checkbox"/> Road Decommission/Obliteration [Sec. 2(b)(2)(A)]	<input type="checkbox"/> Trail Obliteration [Sec. 2(b)(2)(A)]
<input type="checkbox"/> Other Infrastructure Maintenance (specify): [Sec. 2(b)(2)(A)]	
<input type="checkbox"/> Soil Productivity Improvement [Sec. 2(b)(2)(B)]	<input type="checkbox"/> Forest Health Improvement [Sec. 2(b)(2)(C)]
X Watershed Restoration & Mntc. [Sec. 2(b)(2)(D)]	<input type="checkbox"/> Wildlife Habitat Restoration [Sec. 2(b)(2)(E)]
<input type="checkbox"/> Fish Habitat Restoration [Sec. 2(b)(2)(E)]	<input type="checkbox"/> Control of Noxious Weeds [Sec. 2(b)(2)(F)]
<input type="checkbox"/> Reestablish Native Species [Sec. 2(b)(2)(G)]	
<input type="checkbox"/> Other Project Type (specify) [Sec. 2(b)(2)]:	

<b>14. Measure of Project Accomplishments/Expected Outcomes</b> [Sec. 203(b)(5)]	
a. Total Acres: 640 acres	b. Total Miles: 2.6 miles
c. No. Structures: 120	d. Est. People Reached
e. No. Laborer Days: 100 days	(for environmental education projects):
f. Other (specify):	

**15. Estimated Completion Date:** [Sec. 203(b)(2)] The construction phases of this project will be completed by October 2003. The riparian planting of conifers and hardwoods will be completed in the spring of 2004 (June)

**16. Target Species Benefited:** (if applicable) (max. 7 lines)  
Snake River Steelhead, Federally listed as a Threatened species.

**17. How will cooperative relationships among people that use federal lands be improved?** [Sec. 2(b)(3)] (max. 12 lines)

This will facilitate cooperative relationships between the CTUIR, The PNW Research Station, the Wallowa-Whitman National Forest, Union County. This project will be part of the research station's sites for restoration of the landscape tech transfer tours.

**18. How is this project in the best public interest?** [Sec. 203(b)(7)] **Identify benefits to communities.** (max. 12 lines)

This project will improve a stream listed under the CWA for temperature and habitat modification, improve habitat for ESA listed Steelhead, Improve the infrastructure (road system) for the forest/county. Benefits include local employment/contracting opportunity and further strengthen existing partnerships with the Grande Ronde Model Watershed Program (the local watershed council), Union County, ODF, OSU Range Exp. Station, and Union Soil & Water Conservation District

**19. How does project benefit federal lands/resources?** (max. 12 lines)

This project will improve 1.1 miles of FS road, improve 1.1 miles of stream habitat and riparian vegetation.

<b>20. Status of Project Planning</b>			
a. NEPA Complete:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	
If no, give est. date of completion:			
c. NMFS Sec. 7 ESA Consultation Complete:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	
d. USFWS Sec. 7 ESA Consultation Complete:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	
e. Survey & Manage Complete:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable
f. DSL/ODFW* Permits for In-stream Work Obtained:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable
g. DSL/COE* 404 Fill/Removal Permit Obtained:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable
h. SHPO* Concurrence Received:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable
i. Project Design(s) Completed:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
* DSL = Dept. of State Lands, ODFW = Oregon Dept. of Fish and Wildlife, COE = Army Corps of Engineers, SHPO = State Historic Preservation Officer			

<b>21. Proposed Method(s) of Accomplishment</b> ( <i>check those that apply</i> )	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Contract	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Federal Workforce
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> County Workforce	<input type="checkbox"/> Volunteers
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (specify): OYCC	

**22. Will the Project Generate Merchantable Materials?** [Sec. 204(e)(3)]

Yes       No

<b>23. Anticipated Project Costs</b> [Sec. 203(b)(3)] Total Project Costs will be approximately \$172,688	
a. Total County Title II Funds Requested: \$43,200 (Min Needed is \$30,000)	
b. Is this a multi-year funding request? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No If yes, then display by fiscal year	
c. FY02 Request:	f. FY05 Request:
d. FY03 Request: \$43,200	g. FY06 Request:
e. FY04 Request:	

**Table 1. Project Cost Analysis**

<b>Item</b>	<i>Column A</i> <b>Fed. Agency Appropriated Contribution</b> [Sec. 203(b)(4)]	<i>Column B</i> <b>Requested County Title II Contribution</b> [Sec. 203(b)(4)]	<i>Column C</i> <b>Other Contributions</b> [Sec. 203(b)(4)]	<i>Column D</i> <b>Total Available Funds</b>
24. Field Work & Site Surveys	\$ 8,000			\$ 8,000
25. NEPA & Sec. 7 ESA Consultation	\$ 3,500			\$ 3,500
26. Permit Acquisition	\$ 500			\$ 500
27. Project Design & Engineering	\$12,500			\$ 12,500
28. Contract Preparation	\$ 3,000			\$ 3,000
29. Contract Administration	\$ 4,000			\$ 4,000
30. Contract Cost	\$35,000	\$40,000		\$ 75,000
31. Workforce Cost	\$25,000			\$ 25,000
32. Materials & Supplies	\$ 2,500			\$ 2,500
33. Monitoring	\$ 7,500			\$ 7,500
34. Other (i.e. Section 106 Compliance)				
35. Project Sub-Total	\$113,500	\$40,000		
36. Indirect Costs (Overhead @ 8%) (per year for multi-year projects)	\$ 9,080	\$ 3,200		\$12,280.00
<b>37. Total Cost Estimate</b>	\$122,580	\$43,200		\$165,780

**38. Identify Source(s) of Other Funding for Project Identified Above** [Sec. 203(b)(4)] (max. 7 lines)

While not identified above partnerships with National Fish and Wildlife Foundation, National Forestry Foundation will be pursued in the next 12 months.

**39. Monitoring Plan** [Sec. 203(b)(6)]

- a. What measures or evaluations will be made to determine how well the proposed project meets the desired ecological conditions?** [Sec. 203(b)(6)] (max. 7 lines)

**Who is responsible for this monitoring item?:**

The Forest Service will monitor the erosion potential from the recontoured road for three years to determine the effectiveness of the erosion control measures, cross section and longitudinal profiles will be monumented to determine effectiveness of the instream restoration and stocking surveys will be conducted on the riparian planting to determine success of the project.,

- b. How will the project be evaluated to determine how well the proposed project contributes towards local employment and/or training opportunities, including summer youth jobs programs such as the Youth Conservation Corps?** [Sec. 203(b)(6)] (max. 7 lines)

**Who is responsible for this monitoring item?:**

The Forest Service will evaluate the contribution of local contracts and purchase of supplies to the local economy. The OYCC will be used for this project.

- c. What methods and measures of evaluation will be established to determine how well the proposed project improves the use of, or added value to, any products removed from National Forest System lands consistent with the purposes of this Act?** [Sec. 203(b)(6) and Sec. 204(e)(3)] (max. 7 lines) This project does not produce products to be removed from the National Forest

**Who is responsible for this monitoring item?:**

- d. Identify total funding needed to carry out specified monitoring tasks (Table 1, Item 33)**  
(max. 7 lines)

**Amount \$7,500**

No monitoring funding is request from Title II funding. All monitoring will be funded from FS appropriated funding or from potential partnerships developed in the next 12 months.

**County Commissioner Concurrence**

(Majority Required per charter)

A majority of the county commissioners of Union County have reviewed this proposed Public Law 106-393 project for the Northeast Oregon Resources Advisory Council and agree with the proposal as submitted, except for the comments noted below:

\_\_\_\_ See Attached letter \_\_\_\_\_  
Attested by Commissioner Date

Priority Rating:

High  Medium  Low

Comments/Rational: Priority #5 out of 6.