

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) WA-WAW04-206

2. Project Name: Salt Creek Multi Purpose Building	3. County: Wallowa
4. Project Sponsor: Ed Weber Public Services Program Manager	5. Date: 4/15/02
6. Sponsor's Phone Number: 541-426-5543	
7. Sponsors E-mail: eweber@fs.fed.us	

8. Project Location (attach project area map)	
a. 4 th Field Watershed Name and HUC #: 17060102	
b. 5 th Field Watershed Name and HUC # (if known): 170601207 Sheep Creek	
c. Location: Township <u>04S</u> Range <u>46E</u> Section(s) <u>16</u> Township _____ Range _____ Section(s) _____ Township _____ Range _____ Section(s) _____	
d. BLM District NA	e. BLM Resource Area NA
f. National Forest Wallowa Whitman	g. Forest Service District Wallowa Valley
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) Goals include: Providing an operational example of small diameter wood design and construction of a multi-purpose building shed and providing local employment opportunities through the use of small diameter materials while also developing a focal point for winter sports and enhancing opportunities for education and visitor contact. Thousands of people per year who will be shown the beauty and practicality of using small diameter in construction will visit the multi purpose building. The building itself will facilitate better management of a growing winter sports program. Activities centered out of the site include: snowmobiling, snow play, cross country skiing, and search and rescue operations. Potential for summer and winter user education is enhanced with completion of the project. Potential may also exist to host future ATV activities or group events.

10. Project Description: (max. 30 lines.)

Salt Creek is a designated Snow Park providing a hub for winter sports activities in Wallowa County. Currently the park serves 175 miles of groomed snowmobile trails as well as approximately 15 miles of marked cross-country ski trails. Many backcountry ski enthusiasts also use Salt Creek Snow Park as base of operation. This is a three-phase project to be completed in three years. Year one includes site planning, and design. Year two site preparation and some construction work. Year three would complete construction and implementation of management actions required for operations.

Project Activities for 2002

- Complete design and construction drawings for Salt Creek Multi Purpose Building which incorporate and showcase small diameter round wood.
- Develop MOU for operation and maintenance.
- Complete cost estimate for site prep and construction.
- Finalize grant work with cooperating partners.

Project Activities for 2003

- Coordinate with local mill(s) to produce round wood components for completion of the structure.
- Excavate and construct foundation.
- Erect shell and major components of the building. Close and protect for the winter season

Project Activities for 2004

- Complete construction of building including all finish work.
- Complete installation of heating and electrical elements.
- Implement management action required to begin operations.

11. Coordination of this project with other related project(s) on adjacent lands?

Yes No **If yes, then describe** (max. 10 lines)

This project has the potential to serve as a focal point for summer ATV activities. The forest is currently in the initial phase of identifying all potential use areas. No decisions or commitment of areas surrounding the Salt Creek Snow Park been made. It is anticipated that final recommendations for areas identified for further analysis will be made by July 2002.

12. How does proposed project meet purposes of the Legislation? [Sec. 203(b)(1)]

Improves maintenance of existing infrastructure. [Sec. 2(b)]

Implements stewardship objectives that enhance forest ecosystems. [Sec. 2(b)]

Restores and improves land health. [Sec. 2(b)]

Restores water quality. [Sec. 2(b)]

13. Project Type (check one) [Sec. 203(b)(1)]

Road Maintenance [Sec. 2(b)(2)(A)] Trail Maintenance [Sec. 2(b)(2)(A)] **Supports**

Road Decommission/Obliteration [Sec. 2(b)(2)(A)] Trail Obliteration [Sec. 2(b)(2)(A)]

Other Infrastructure Maintenance (specify): [Sec. 2(b)(2)(A)] **State/FS Cooperative Snow-park**

Soil Productivity Improvement [Sec. 2(b)(2)(B)] Forest Health Improvement [Sec. 2(b)(2)(C)]

Watershed Restoration & Mntc. [Sec. 2(b)(2)(D)] 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)]	
X Other Project Type (specify) [Sec. 2(b)(2)]: Construction/Demonstration / Education	

14. Measure of Project Accomplishments/Expected Outcomes [Sec. 203(b)(5)]	
a. Total Acres: .05	b. Total Miles: NA
c. No. Structures: 1	d. Est. People Reached (for demonstration and environmental education projects): 12,200 per year
e. No. Laborer Days: 1,000+	
f. Other (specify): Incorporate interpretation and education at building site.	

15. Estimated Completion Date: [Sec. 203(b)(2)] October 2002 phase 1 October 2003 phase 2 October 2004 phase 3.

16. Target Species Benefited: (if applicable) (max. 7 lines) None at this time but could be Lynx.

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

This project develops and depends on a collaborative winter sports stewardship between winter sport enthusiasts, snowmobilers and local snowmobile club, local cross country skiers and cross country ski club, county government, local mill(s), local search and rescue organization and US Forest Service. Local mill(s) will have the opportunity to demonstrate their ability to produce small diameter building components. All partners in this project have been involved in the design of the building.

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

The project will serve as a functional example of the use of small round wood construction elements in an area that's readily accessible and highly visible.. It will provide temporary short-term employment for some county residents allowing local mill(s) to demonstrate abilities to produce small round wood construction elements, which may have an affect on future county projects.

The building itself will facilitate better winter sports management through the grooming of trails and monitoring of cooperative local agreements between snowmobilers and skiers. The multi-purpose building will also house search and rescue equipment and a small treatment area, thus contributing to safer conditions and enhancing emergency services. The building will contain a warming hut to provide temporary shelter for users visiting or recreating in the area, and facilitate better dispersal of forest, recreation, and interpretive information, including the design and construction methods used.

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

The project will demonstrate a market for small round wood material often created as a result of forest health and fire plan management practices. The building itself will assist federal managers and their partners in the management of winter sports activities, act as a dispersal point for information critical to user safety as well as directing acceptable activities to assure protection of the environment and associated plant and animal species. The construction of the building will also enhance existing partnerships between federal land managers, winter sports groups and county search & rescue.

20. Status of Project Planning			
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 type="checkbox"/> No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable
g. DSL/COE* 404 Fill/Removal Permit Obtained:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable
h. SHPO* Concurrence Received:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	Not Applicable
i. Project Design(s) Completed:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	Currently being drafted
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DSL = Dept. of State Lands, ODFW = Oregon Dept. of Fish and Wildlife, COE = Army Corps of Engineers, SHPO = State Historic Preservation Officer <p>Note, The location of the building is within the footprint of the existing snow-park developed area.</p>			

21. Proposed Method(s) of Accomplishment (<i>check those that apply</i>)	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Contract	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Federal Workforce
<input type="checkbox"/> County Workforce	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Volunteers
X Other (specify): Volunteers include Gamblers Snowmobile Club, Nordic Club, Backcountry Ski O&G. all have been actively involved in winter sports management.	

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

Yes No

However, the project will utilize small round wood products created as a result of forest health management practices. This will demonstrate the viability of small round wood products as a building component.

23. Anticipated Project Costs [Sec. 203(b)(3)]	
a. Total County Title II Funds Requested: \$32,400 in 2003 ; \$64,800 over a two year period (03,04)	
b. Is this a multi-year funding request? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If yes, then display by fiscal year	
c. FY02 Request: 0	f. FY05 Request:
d. FY03 Request: \$32,400	g. FY06 Request:
e. FY04 Request: \$32,400	

Table 1. Project Cost Analysis

Item	<i>Column A</i> Fed. Agency Appropriated Contribution [Sec. 203(b)(4)]	<i>Column B</i> Requested County Title II Contribution [Sec. 203(b)(4)]	<i>Column C</i> Other Contributions [Sec. 203(b)(4)]	<i>Column D</i> Total Available Funds
24. Field Work & Site Surveys	\$9500			\$9,500
25. NEPA & Sec. 7 ESA Consultation	Completed			
26. Permit Acquisition				
27. Project Design & Engineering			\$7,200	\$7,200
28. Contract Preparation			\$1,000	\$1,000
29. Contract Administration			\$21,300	\$21,300
30. Contract Cost			\$10,000	\$10,000
31. Workforce Cost		\$30,000	\$76,820	\$106,820
32. Materials & Supplies/ Generator	\$ 5,000	\$30,000	\$46,680	\$81,680
33. Monitoring	\$ 5,000			
34. Other MOU prep	\$ 2,000			\$2,000
35. Project Sub-Total	\$21,500	\$60,000	\$163,000	
36. Indirect Costs (Overhead @ 8.0%) (per year for multi-year projects)	\$ 1,720	\$4,800		\$6,520
37. Total Cost Estimate	\$23,220	\$64,800	\$163,000	\$251,020

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

SIMS Grant	\$60,000	Local Clubs Labor	\$20,000 est.
Search and Rescue Title 3	\$40,000	US Forest Service (planning)	\$16,500 est.
Forest Products Lab	\$7,200	Wallowa Resources	To be determined.
National Forest Foundation	\$20,000		
OSSA Oregon State Snowmobile	\$25,000		

*More accurate cost estimates will be generated once construction drawings are completed by Beaudete Consulting Engineers. Preliminary cost estimates by the designer have been used in this proposal.

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)

- Successful demonstration of round wood elements used in construction
- Number of public served by the project.

- Show that the construction of the facility enabled forest managers to reach more people and have a positive affect on winter sports-management and its associated environment.
- Did the building meet the overall need for winter sport activities.
- Improved efficiency of grooming and Search and Rescue Operations.

b. Who is responsible for this monitoring item?: USFS

c. 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?: USFS, Wallowa Resources

Number of local people employed.

- Number of contracts awarded.
- Success of the demonstration project to show construction techniques for small round wood.
- Will the local mill(s) be able to produce construction materials necessary to build the structure.

d. 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)

Who is responsible for this monitoring item?: Wallowa Resources

Number of small round wood construction projects resulting from the demonstration, or local orders placed for small round wood construction elements.

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

Amount \$5,000 (est.)

County Commissioner Concurrence

(Majority Required per charter)

A majority of the county commissioners of Wallowa 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 letter from Wallowa County Commissioners)

Attested by Commissioner

Date

Priority Rating: Wallowa County Rank #6 Project

X High Medium Low

Comments/Rational: