

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): _____

2. Project Name: Weed Chemical Storage Facility	3. County: Wallowa
4. Project Sponsor: Leigh Dawson/Allen Schnetzky	5. Date: 12/14/05
6. Sponsor's Phone Number: (541) 426-5535 (Leigh)/426-3332 (Allen)	
7. Sponsors E-mail: lddawson@fs.fed.us/wcweeds@co.wallowa.or.us	

8. Project Location (attach project area map) County Shop	
a. 4 th Field Watershed Name and HUC #:	
b. 5 th Field Watershed Name and HUC # (if known):	
c. Location: Township _____ Range _____ Section(s) _____ Township _____ Range _____ Section(s) _____	
d. BLM District x	e. BLM Resource Area
f. National Forest	g. Forest Service District x
h. State / Private / Other lands involved? x <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	

9. Statement of Project Goals and Objectives: (max. 7 lines) Provide centralized storage of herbicides used for treatment of noxious weeds by the members of the Wallowa Canyonlands Partnership. This facility would meet all federal and state requirements for storage of Hazmat materials. It would also provide storage for some equipment, as well as a wash site for equipment. Creation of this facility will increase the capacity to treat more acres of land and more miles of roads through cost savings of chemicals, safety and efficiency for crews, as well as enhancing coordinated projects. This project is identified in the goals and objectives of the Wallowa County Integrated Weed Management Plan.
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10. Project Description: (max. 30 lines.) The members of the Wallowa Canyonlands Partnership include: Wallowa County Road/Veg Dept., Wallowa Resources, The Nature Conservancy, and the Wallowa Whitman National Forest. This partnership meets on a regular basis to strategize county wide goals and objectives, funding opportunities, prevention and treatment methods and associated projects concerning the management of noxious weeds. We work closely with the Wallowa County Weed Board and other interested parties. In 2004, the partnership and weed board identified this project as a five year goal.
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Presently there is not a centralized facility for chemical storage, staging area, or wash site. This facility would provide for safe storage of chemicals which meets all state and federal standards, storage and wash site for equipment, and a staging area for all projects. This facility would be especially helpful in the coordination and implementation of partnership supported projects such as the 2005 project for the inventory and treatment of Meadow Hawkweed in Grossman and throughout Wallowa County. This project involved partners, contracts, and public education. A centralized staging area would set an example for safety, provide an educational opportunity, provide a wash site for equipment to prevent spread of weeds, and generally assist in the efficiency and productivity of the project. It could also serve as a “drop off weed site” for partners and individuals conducting manual weed treatment. Last year alone the Wallowa Valley Weed Warriors, an active group of dedicated weed volunteers, contributed 223 hours pulling and bagging noxious weeds in Wallowa County. This facility could provide storage for garbage bags, roadside signs, shovels, etc. and a drop off site for the bagged weeds. It will overall enhance the coordination of the county wide weed program and ultimately result in increased capacity to treat more acres of land and more miles of roads.

The facility would be located at the County Road Department site. Several companies exist that provide engineered approved chemical storage facilities. These facilities meet all state and federal requirement and are pre approved. Most of these companies, such as US Chemical Storage, provide several different building designs and offer several options for “improvements” and installations. We are presently working with US Chemical Storage on building designs and quotes with the option of doing much of the site prep and finish work (storage shelves) with partnership contributions, volunteers, and youth programs. The facility will be centrally located to provide easy access but at the same time integrating with other departmental operations. Since the county will be the principle user, they will assume the primary supervisory role for ongoing operation and maintenance of the facility.

11. Coordination of this project with other related project(s) on adjacent lands?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If yes, then describe (max. 10 lines) This project will ultimately be tied to numerous weed projects on federal, state, county and private lands. The facility will exemplify safe chemical storage to partners in the cost share program, contractors, other agencies and individuals working with the Wallowa Canyonlands Partnership. It will also exemplify weed prevention strategies by washing and maintaining all equipment and facilities. The facility can be used for educational displays as well.

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

13. Project Type (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)]
<input type="checkbox"/> 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 checked="" 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)]:

14. Measure of Project Accomplishments/Expected Outcomes [Sec. 203(b)(5)]	
a. Total Acres:	b. Total Miles:
c. No. Structures: 1	d. Est. People Reached
e. No. Laborer Days:	(for environmental education projects):500
f. Other (specify): education	

15. Estimated Completion Date: [Sec. 203(b)(2)]Aug. 1, 2007

16. Target Species Benefited: (if applicable) (max. 7 lines)

This project will indirectly benefit the over noxious weed program. Presently there are 27 priority “A” listed weeds in Wallowa County, 17 “B” listed weeds, and 13 watch listed weeds. Improving the efficiency of the noxious weed program will result in increased capacity to treat more acres of land and more miles of roads and thus control more acres of noxious weeds.

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

By setting an example for safe and efficient use of chemicals the public should gain a greater appreciation and respect for all associated agencies. It will also provide the stage for additional projects and opportunities to cooperatively relate among participants. Ideally, the improved forest health should be evident and will be felt in land productivity and assessed values. These values include healthy native plant communities, improved wildlife and fisheries habitat and forage, improved scenery and recreational opportunities, increased property values, more productive agricultural lands and more!

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

The public looks at federal, state, and county agencies for guidance. This facility will exemplify safe chemical storage which will help prevent contamination of public lands, prevent spread of noxious weeds thus degrading land and associated values, and enhance public involvement in the noxious weed program.

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

There are 2,034,000 acres of land within Wallowa County. The federal government owns approximately 60% of this land. In total, federal ownership is approximately 1.159,491 acres. This project benefits all lands within Wallowa County infested with noxious weeds. It sets the stage for excellence beginning with the fundamental necessities of chemical storage, prevention and maintenance of equipment, and coordination of projects.

20. Status of Project Planning - this is a self contained facility which is engineer pre approved thus meeting all state and federal requirements.			
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 type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	
d. USFWS Sec. 7 ESA Consultation Complete:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	
e. Survey & Manage Complete:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable
f. DSL/ODFW* Permits for In-stream Work Obtained:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable
g. DSL/COE* 404 Fill/Removal Permit Obtained:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable
h. SHPO* Concurrence Received:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable
i. Project Design(s) Completed:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input 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			

21. Proposed Method(s) of Accomplishment (<i>check those that apply</i>)	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Contract	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Federal Workforce
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> County Workforce	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Volunteers
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (specify): Wallowa Canyonlands Partners, Wallowa County Weed Board	

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

Yes No

23. Anticipated Project Costs [Sec. 203(b)(3)]	
a. Total County Title II Funds Requested: 15,000	
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:	g. FY06 Request:
e. FY04 Request:	FY07 Request <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

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			\$500.	500.
25. NEPA & Sec. 7 ESA Consultation				
26. Permit Acquisition			\$500.	500
27. Project Design & Engineering			Via Contract	
28. Contract Preparation	\$250.		\$250.	500
29. Contract Administration	250.		500.	750
30. Contract Cost		\$15,000		15,000
31. Workforce Cost	\$1,000		\$2,000	3,000
32. Materials & Supplies	\$1,000		\$3,000	4,000
33. Monitoring			250..	250.
34. Other				
35. Project Sub-Total	2,500	15,000	7,000.	24,500
36. Indirect Costs (Overhead @ 12.5%) (per year for multi-year projects)	312.50	1,875.	875.	3,062.50
37. Total Cost Estimate	2,812.50	16,875	7,875.	27,562.50

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

The Nature Conservancy – confirmed

Bonneville Power Adm. Grant – pending

- In FY05 we received a Title II grant to purchase a rangeland drill...thank you....the US Forest Service was able to locate a used drill on another district. We did a property transfer at no cost. We still have a few minor safety modifications to complete on the trailer that was built by the Joseph FFA but projected expenses should result in a saving in this account. Both the FY05 and this project's objective is to enhance the Wallowa County Noxious Weed Program. Therefore, if authorized this saving could be applied to this project (est. \$3,500.)

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 Wallowa County Road/Vegetation Dept.
Although the WC Rd/Veg Dept. will take the lead in assuring that this facility meets all state and federal requirements, the Wallowa Canyonlands Partners and the WC Weed Board will assist. A contract will identify all requirements and contract inspections will assure compliance.
- 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?: Wallowa Canyonlands Partnership
The finish work on the storage facility will be accomplished with partners, volunteers, and Wallowa County youth. This may include building shelves, landscaping, educational displays, etc.. We are presently considering several work days to accomplish this work, “kick off the weed season”, and promote cooperation and awareness.
- 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)
Who is responsible for this monitoring item?: Wallowa Canyonlands Partnership
In this case, the project will facilitate the “removal” of noxious weeds through treatment. Ultimately this will result in improved forest health and associated values as described in #17.
- d. Identify total funding needed to carry out specified monitoring tasks (Table 1, Item 33)**
(max. 7 lines)
Amount \$500.
Monitoring will occur as part of the noxious weed program. The facility will be under the direct supervision of the county. Guidelines for operation and maintenance of the facility will be developed by the Wallowa Canyonlands Partnership and/or the Wallowa Co. Weed Board.

Project Name:

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 Advisory Council and agree with the proposal as submitted, except for the comments noted below:

Attested by Commissioner

Date

Priority Rating:

High Medium Low

Comments/Rational: