

Decision Summary – Roadless

Project Name	Archie Creek Fire Danger Tree		
Forest	Umpqua National Forest	Region	R6
Choose Type of Activity (Wilderness, Roadless, Energy infrastructure, Minerals, Vegetation CE, Land Management Plan) and level of Decision (No DM, DM, DN/FONSI, ROD)			
Roadless; No DM; 36 CFR 220.6(d)(4)			
Planned Decision Date	February 27, 2021		

Summary Description

Purpose/Need
The need for the project is to protect public safety by felling fire killed trees, or trees likely to die due to fire damage, that have the potential of falling or sliding onto the roadway. There is a need to maintain and repair roads damaged by the fire, fire suppression activities, or danger tree removal activities.
Intended Selected Action
Felling of fire damaged trees would occur on a maximum area of 318 acres along roadsides within the Williams Creek and Cougar Bluff IRAs. Trees would be felled and removed or felled and left along maintenance level 2 (and higher) roads within a maximum distance of 300 feet measured from the edge of the road. Distance from the road that trees may be felled is determined by factors such as location uphill or downhill from road, severity of mortality, and tree height. This project would also include road maintenance associated with felling and removal of danger trees, repair of damage from fire suppression, and repair of damage from the fire. Potential activities include brushing, blading, logging-out, ditch and culvert cleaning, culvert replacement, rocking, and landslide repair.
Potentially Significant Effects or Extraordinary Circumstances (if any)
No significant effects or extraordinary circumstances are expected.
Public Involvement (include State, local governments and Tribal consultation)
The Forest shared an online forum about the 2020 Fires with interested parties during a live webinar in mid-December 2020. The forum was recorded for future viewing on the UNF Facebook page. The need for the Archie Creek roadside danger tree project was discussed, and interested parties were asked to input questions and concerns during the forum and with the Umpqua comment email address. No comments were received.
Timeline Considerations (statutory, court-related, administrative) and Objections Status
No procedural timeline considerations.