



Umatilla National Forest
Schedule of Proposed Activities
 Summer 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.

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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. www.fs.fed.us/r6/w-w/planning/bmle	20,570 ac of Federal land; 36,453 ac. of non-Federal land	Selected parcels in vicinity of Wallowa-Whitman, Umatilla, and Malheur National Forests	<u>Developing Alternatives.</u> <u>Expect Draft EIS 12/03; Final Spring 2004</u>	Jean Lavell 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.	<u>FEIS and ROD now available.</u> <u>Appeal period ends 7/7/03</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	<u>Project Postponed</u>	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>10/03</u>	Tom McLain
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.	<u>EA available.</u> <u>30-day comment period ends 7/7/03</u>	Mike Burns
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. <u>Expect Decision 9/03</u>	Janet Stefani

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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. <u>Expect Decision 7/03</u>	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. <u>Expect Decision 7/03</u>	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. <u>Expect Decision 7/03</u>	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. <u>Expect Decision 7/03</u>	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. <u>Expect Decision 7/03</u>	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. <u>Expect Decision 7/03</u>	Brian Spivey
*Alder Creek Trailhead Maintenance CE	Construct a trail bridge to prevent the trail from crossing through the creek. Construct corrals within the dispersed camping area to replace existing corrals adjacent to the creek. Resurface Rd. 2100140.	35'x6' .5 acres, .5 miles	Morrow Co. OR. T.6S., R.27E., Sec. 2	Scoping and Analysis. Expect Decision 12/03	Dana Reid
*Penland Rehab	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 fire risk (snags will either be grapple piled or burned or removed from the site as logs or chips). Reforestation spot planting will occur in open areas after prescribed burning.	200 Ac.	Morrow Co. OR. T.5S., R.28E., Sec. 13, 14, 24, 25, 28, and 29; T.5S., R.29E., Sec. 30	Scoping and Analysis	Michael Burns

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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 (1000 ccf)	Grant Co. OR. T.8S., R.34E., Desolation Lookout, Olive Lake	<u>Cancelled</u>	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	<u>Randy Fitzgerald</u>



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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; commercial and noncommercial thinning of densely stocked live trees. Some activities would occur within the South Fork Tower Roadless Area. FEIS and ROD available at www.fs.fed.us/r6/uma/nepa/readroom.htm	598 ac. of commercial thinning (1.5 mmbf), 0.4 mi. of temporary road construction, 11.6 mi. of road closure, 33.1 mi. of road obliteration.	Grant & Umatilla Co. OR. T.5S., R.6S., T.7S., R.32E., R.33E., R.33-1/2E., R.34E.	<u>Decision Signed 6/16/2003.</u> <u>Appeal period ends 7/30/03</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	Relocate 1.5 miles of trail (two segments) and a bridge to reduce erosion. Repair gully on old section of trail to reduce sediment deposit into South Fork Cable Creek. 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	Decision pending completion of ESA consultation	Rick Guglielmi
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. <u>To be implemented 2004-2009.</u>	25,000 ac.	Grant, Morrow, Umatilla, & Union Co. OR. District-wide, outside of wilderness, roadless, RCHA's and LAU's	Scoping	Scott McDonald

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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 <u>Vegetative Management</u> 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 <u>10/03</u>	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	<u>Decision Signed 5/27/03</u>	Ralph Hartman
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>7/03</u>	Vince Novotny
Wagon Train Trail Ride Special Use	Issue permit for organized trail ride.		Grant Co. OR	<u>Decision Signed 5/28/03</u>	Ralph Hartman
*Moro Properties Powerline Permit	Approve a Special Use Permit for Moro Properties, LLC. Project would extend an existing powerline and cross approximately 300 feet Forest Service land.	Less than 1 ac.	Grant Co. OR. T.8S., R.31E., Sec. 14	Scoping and Analysis. Expect Decision Summer 03	Ralph Hartman
*Osprey Platform CE	Install a nesting platform for osprey at Olive Lake.	Less than 1 ac.	T.9S., R.24E., Sec. 15	Scoping and Analysis. Expect Decision 8/03	Holly Harris
*Gulch Mechanical Fuels Reduction CE	Use mechanical and manual methods to reduce fuel loads. Mechanical methods could include grapple piling, skyline suspension, or chipping.	4,500 ac.	T.3S., R.33 & 34E.	Scoping. Expect Decision 9/03	Randy Fitzgerald
*Battle Mechanical Fuel Reduction and Prescribed Burn CE	Use mechanical and manual methods to reduce fuel loads. Mechanical methods could include grapple piling, skyline suspension, or chipping. Controlled fire would also be used to reduce fuels and treat resulting debris.	4,500 acres	T.8S., R.33 & 34E.	Scoping, Expect Decision 9/03	Randy Fitzgerald

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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.	<u>Comment period ended 6/6/03</u>	Randall Walker
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
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	Postponed	Melinda Martin, Steve Carlson

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Arbothknott Fuels Reduction CE	Propose to use mechanical fuels removal and prescribed fire treatments to reduce wildfire hazard in wildland/urban interface. Activities are proposed for National Forest and adjacent private land.	Approx. 1,500 ac.	Garfield Co. WA. T.9N., R.42E., Sec. 1, 2, 3, 4, & 5; T.10N., R.42E., Sec. 33-36	<u>Decision Signed 6/5/03</u>	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. Activities are proposed for National Forest and adjacent private land.	Approx. 2,000 ac.	Columbia Co. WA. 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>Decision Signed 6/5/03</u>	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
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
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 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. <u>200</u> 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.	<u>Decision Signed 6/18/03</u>	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	<u>Decision Signed 5/30/03</u>	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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*Rose Spring Recreation Resident Lot #8 Improvements CE	Remove existing front window on upper floor of cabin and replace with emergency exit door. Construct 8'x10' storage shed.	Approx. 80 sq. feet	Garfield Co. WA. T.9N., R.42E., Sec. 9	Scoping. Expect Decision 2003	Rich Martin
*Rose Spring Recreation Improvement Project CE	Expand the existing Sno-Park parking area to provide safer parking conditions, construct a 40 x 25 ft. pole building on concrete pads to store snow grooming equipment, and improve area for camping with loop road and parking spurs (surface with aggregate), install three fire rings and a vault outhouse.	Approx. 4.5 ac.	Garfield Co. Wa. T.9N., R.42E., Sec. 9	Scoping	Rich Martin



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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 <u>1/04</u>	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.	30-day EA review ends April 15. Expect Decision for <u>Colt 7/03 and Pedro 10/03</u>	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 <u>10/03</u>	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 <u>9/03</u>	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 <u>Fall 2003</u>	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	<u>Decision Signed 6/16/03</u>	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	<u>Decision Signed 6/20/03</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 <u>10/03</u>	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 <u>10/03</u>	John Mitchell
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
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	<u>Decision Signed 6/17/03</u>	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	<u>Decision Signed 6/16/03</u>	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

