

Appendix F

Toolbox Content Analysis

Issues That Were Not Key or Analysis Issues

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Responses to initial scoping

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Inclusion of state, tribal and local governments	Follow 2/5/02 CEQ Guidance on involvement	Thomas 11/12/02	NSP
Regulation of Small Business	Follow a law and an EO	Thomas 11/12/02	NOS – laws pertain to other actions such as regulatory matters, not planning
Sound Science	Follow the Federal Data Quality Act – use sound science	Thomas 11/12/02	NSP
Restoration of Areas destroyed by fire	Use “the proven system” (The Holistic Remediation Process) of using cattle for restoration	Thomas 11/12/02	NOS – grazing planned for with other process, outside this EIS
Costs of firefighting & effect on funds for other projects	“Respond to this item”	Seely/Ingalsbee 11/17/02	NOS – not specific factor for this project
“High cost of protecting homes in ‘fire plain’ areas”	“Respond to this item” – “will structures that in the potential ‘fire plain’ be protected?”	Seely/Ingalsbee 11/17/02	NOS – not a specific factor for this project
Efforts to Coordinate plan with private owners	“What efforts are being made to correlate plan with private landowners?”	Seely/Ingalsbee 11/17/02	NSP – all private landowners were scoped
“The cultural, institutional and ecological paradoxes that our fire management policies are plagued by”	“I would welcome your responses to the substantive arguments of my article”	Ingalsbee 12/02/02	Mostly NOS – though will respond in analysis to pertinent points, especially cumulative effects from past policies.
Personal use firewood	“Could personal use firewood permits be issued to remove burnt stands of lodgepole by local folks?”	Baker 11/25/02	NDM – will address in alternative design to varying degrees. All areas not in salvage units available to p.u.fw. on the Fremont NF
Layout/Contract methods could facilitate prep (speed up)	Designate by description, sample marking, etc.	Stone 11/14/02	NDM - administrative

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Diameter Limits for harvest	Salvage of fire damaged timber should not be limited to less than 21" (note: he may have misread PA. That language in PA only referred to green, but damaged, WF)	Stone 11/14/02 Keck 12/13/02	NOS – pursuing amendment of RF #2 would not add to timeliness of the overall NEPA process
Operational Flexibility	Provide maximum flexibility regarding seasonal operation and branding/ painting	Stone 11/14/02	NDM – administrative – though we will pursue seasonal restrictions only where it is substantiated through analysis that they are needed.
Deposits for slash disposal and road use – Economic feasibility	Minimize deposits	Stone 11/14/02	NDM – administrative
Removal Requirements	Designate all trees less than 16" as optional removal	Stone 11/14/02	NOS – diminishes attainment of P&N regarding fuels. How else to pay for it??
Merchantability standard	Minimum merchantability should be 16 in log to a 10" top	Stone 11/14/02	NOS - administrative
Expedite salvage removal	Extend requirements (expiration dates, etc.) for other sales under contract in R6 & R5	Stone 11/14/02	NOS - administrative
Soil & Veg Recovery (grazing)	Defer Grazing for 2 years to allow soil vegetation recovery	ODFW (Hedrick) 11/12/02	NDM – grazing is being planned under separate process as an ongoing activity, using the annual adjustment mechanisms. If necessary to meet LRMP S&Gs we will include mitigations in this EIS for outyear ('04 and beyond)
Peregrine Falcon, Bald Eagle, Mule Deer-Elk	Use timing restrictions to protect nesting PF and BE; and fawning/calving deer/elk	ODFW ((Hedrick) 1/12/02	NDM
Potential Impacts of Salvage on Bald Eagle habitat	Survey BE in spring, reevaluate salvage if survey indicates need to adjust	ODFW ((Hedrick) 11/12/02	NDM

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Mule Deer Winter Range	Retain cover patches 5-30 ac every 1200 feet	ODFW ((Hedrick) 11/12/02	NDM
Planting Spacing (note: ODFW does not provide a reason or objective)	No plant w/i 2 tree heights of 20"+ trees; or w/i 150 ft of Deciduous. Mahog. Cover & WL clumps	ODFW ((Hedrick) 11/12/02	NDM
Riparian Recovery	No conifer refo in floodplains; reduced planting densities in rest of RHCAs	ODFW ((Hedrick) 11/12/02	NDM
Shade to protect seedlings	Don't salvage: potential adverse effects outweigh economic reasons for recovery of fiber	Siart 12/15/02	NOS - Seedling success is well documented in this locality following salvage. Shading not a factor. Alt. A includes no salvage
Roads	Do a thorough roads analysis to justify new roads and prioritize decommissioning – emphasis on road construction/reconstruction in riparian/stream crossings	Siart 12/15/02	NSP (partial), but due to other input it was a Key Issue. The analysis is standard. The actions proposed between various alternatives respond to this suggestion.
Fish and Wildlife	Special status surveys must be completed prior to Alt. Dev. And before the decision is determined. On-the ground recon must be used to develop alternatives	Siart 12/15/02	NSP
Water Quality	Analysis should discuss RMO and how projects will impact RMOs. Avoid harvest in Key or Municipal watersheds	Siart 12/15/02	NSP and also K. The analysis is standard. Varied amount of activity between alternatives, partially in response to this issue (i.e., Alt. D). No key or municipal WS
NEPA Documentation	Full range of action alternatives	Siart 12/15/02	NSP

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Economics	Quantity the economics of this past fire season	Napier 12/13/02	NOS – environmental effects of past fire season accounted for in the cumulative effects analysis. Budgetary matters concerning past activities are outside the scope of this analysis.

Categorization of Comments:

In order to facilitate issue tracking and responses, the IDT sorted all comment received during the scoping period into categories, as follows:

Key Issues – Used to develop alternatives. This involved consideration of the issue and potential responses to it in varying ways that would still contribute toward meeting purpose and need.

Analysis Issues – Issues used in the analysis to display effect and compare the alternatives.

The above two categories are addressed in Chapter 2 and Chapter 3 of the EIS.

N__ - Issues not addressed in Detail. These are issues, concerns, opinions or recommendations that fall under the following categories, displayed in this appendix:

- Addressed through alternative design or mitigation in all alternative (**NDM**)
- Addressed through adherence to standard policy, such as LRMP standards and guidelines, established Memorandum of Agreement or other policy (**NSP**)
- Beyond, or outside the scope of this project, including issues that provide none or minimal opportunity for a response that would have contributed to purpose and need (**NOS**)

Refer also to the notes of the December 17, 2002 and December 18, 2009 IDT meeting (Table.doc in the planning records). These further expand on some of the specific public input comments and their categorization.

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