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APPENDIX D: PUBLIC COMMENT PROCESS FOR THE 2010 ANNUAL OPERATIONS PLAN

The Oregon Department of Forestry issued a Press Release in March 2009, announcing a formal 45 day public comment period for the 2010 Annual Operations Plans from March 30 through May 13, 2009.

The purpose of the Public Comment Period was to provide an opportunity for the public to review the AOPs, ask questions, make recommendations, and offer comments. As a public agency, ODF operates in the best interest of Oregonians, conducting business in an open way with opportunities for scrutiny to foster and maintain public confidence that ODF operations are benefiting Oregonians.

Past experience has shown that public comments have the potential to improve plans, so the objective was not only to inform the public, but to receive feedback that would help to clarify the AOPs, improve their consistency with the long range FMPs and IPs, and to become aware of any new information that could affect a planned operation or improve its efficiency or effectiveness.

The Forest Grove District did not receive any letters regarding the 2010 AOP.

Forest Grove District FY10 AOP Changes

The following changes were made to the Forest Grove District FY10 AOP since the public review period (March 30 through May 13, 2009). These revisions were a result of further analysis and editing by district personnel. The AOP narrative summary document, summary tables, and pre-operations reports have been updated to reflect these changes.

1.) Timber Harvest Operations Section:

- Area 2, a moderate partial cut, was removed from the Bobcat Tango sale.
- Month O' Sundays, a partial moderate partial cut reviewed as part of the FY 2009 AOP, was added to the FY 2010 AOP to replace Area 2 of Bobcat Tango.

2.) Young Stand Management Section:

- There were no changes.

3.) Recreation Management Section:

- Construction costs for non-motorized trails increased to \$74,500 from \$61,000. This is a direct result of acquisition of additional grant funding.