

Pre-Operations Report

Operation Name: Lame Beavers
County: Klamath

Table 1. Operation Areas, Types and Acres

Stand	Type of Operation	Gross Acres	Net Acres
178	Modified Clear Cut	64	64
182	Modified Clear Cut	55	55
Total		119	119

I. PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION OF OPERATION AREA:

Soil Types: The sale area consists primarily of the Boundary series soil. Boundary is a deep, well-drained, sandy loam developed from pumice and volcanic ash. This soil is operable with ground based skidding equipment at any time of year.

Vegetation Zone

Stand 178 and 182: Lodgepole pine forest zone. Plant association – Lodgepole pine/bitterbrush/sedge (CLS2-12)

Slope, Aspect, and Topography:

Both stands are nearly level.

II. CURRENT STAND CONDITION:

Table 2. Stand Inventory Information.

Area	Prescription	Stand ID ¹	Species	DBH ³	BA ⁴	TPA ⁵	SDI ⁶	Acres ²
1	Modified	178	LP	10.4	154.2	909.1	357.2	64
	Clearcut		RF	0	0	2.8	0	
			WF	1.1	0.1	11.1	0.3	
		Totals			154.3	923	357.5	
1	Modified	182	LP	10.3	135	714.3	306	55
	Clearcut		RF	19.5	12.3	150.2	32.9	
			WF	13.4	11	253.8	33.5	
		Totals			158.3	1118.3	372.4	

¹ The source of stand inventory information is from 1991 field inventory.

² The acres are based on GIS and roads, stream buffers, reserve areas, etc are included in gross acreage.

³ The DBH represented is the average DBH of trees 8" and larger for volume and value computations.

⁴ BA – Basal Area

⁵ TPA – Trees per Acre

⁶ SDI – Stand Density Index

Both stands are overstocked with stand density indices (SDI) greater than 350.

III. DESIRED FUTURE CONDITION/VISION:

Stands 178 and 182

At age 60 the stands will exhibit the following characteristics:

- Stand 178 is a healthy and disease resistant stand of lodgepole pine. About 12 % of the stand area will consist of decadent older lodgepole pine with significant wildlife values, including snags, down wood and cover. The remaining area will contain scattered wildlife trees from the original stand.
- Stand 182 is a healthy, mixed species stand of lodgepole pine, white fir, and Shasta red fir. Large white fir and Shasta red fir make up a significant portion of stocking across the stand.
- Wildlife trees, snags, down wood, and residual slash piles are present at desirable levels in both areas.
- Soil productivity has been maintained in both areas through the management of machinery to reduce compaction and retain slash, woody debris, and the duff layer.

IV. PROPOSED MANAGEMENT PRESCRIPTION:

Create healthy, insect and disease resistant stands by reducing stocking levels and mistletoe infection levels. In most areas, this will involve harvest of most of the merchantable lodgepole pine trees and slashing of most mistletoe infected submerchantable trees.

Stand 178 is a modified clearcut. Six to ten acres of wildlife clumps ranging in size from ¼ acre to 3 acres will be left in the stand. These clumps will be located so as not to interfere with the logging operations, and to protect important wildlife values. For example, some wildlife clumps may emphasize areas with a large snag and down wood component, while others may emphasize dense thickets for cover. In the clearcut areas, two to four snags per acre will be left.

Stand 182 is a modified clearcut. The stand currently contains about 23 square feet of basal area and over 400 trees per acre in true fir. Most of this true fir component will be retained. Additional snags and wildlife trees will be retained throughout the stand. At least two to four wildlife trees or snags per acre will be left in portions of the stand without a true fir component.

The entire sale area will be planted with lodgepole pine.

V. ESTIMATED TIMBER AND REVENUE INFORMATION:

Table 4. Timber and Revenue

Sale Type:	Recovery	Planned Quarter:	4
Fund Percentage	100	% CSL	
Net Volume	1,070	Conifer MBF	
Stumpage Value	\$190.00	Conifer (\$/MBF)	
Estimated Gross Value	\$203,300		
Project Costs:	\$7,500		
Estimated Net Value	\$195,800		

VI. HARVESTING AND ACCESS CONSIDERATIONS:

Existing roads are present on the sale area. There are no access issues. Haul roads are all on state owned land. Because of the gentle terrain, ground based logging equipment will be employed.

The District will close existing an estimated 5.6 miles of roads.

Table 5. Transportation Management Summary (Miles).

Activity	Mainline	Collector	Dirt Spur
Construction	0.0	0.0	0.3
Improvement	0.0	0.1	0.0
Maintenance	6.3	0.0	0.0
Vacation	0.0	0.1	0.3

See AOP Summary Document for road use level definitions.

VII. AQUATIC RESOURCES AND WATER QUALITY:

None.

VIII. WILDLIFE AND T&E SPECIES CONSIDERATIONS:

Surveys for Spotted Owls have been conducted, as outlined in the LRP, and no spotted owls have been detected in or near the sale area. The forest was surveyed for owls in 2005. No owls were detected. The forest will be surveyed again in 2006.

The sale area was checked against district knowledge for any listed plant location. The sale area was also checked against the Oregon Natural Heritage Program (ONHP) database of known listed plant locations. No listed plant records were identified within the sale area.

Two plant species (*Astragalus peckii* and *Botrychium pumicola*) have been listed under the State of Oregon Endangered Species Act. These species were

recognized during the development of the Forest Management Plan as comprising a base list of species that could occur on state forest land in Klamath County. Both species can occur in dry, cold, high elevation lodgepole pine stands. The entire sale area will be surveyed for presence of these plants. If populations are located, the long-range plan strategies for T&E plants will be implemented.

Past pileated woodpecker surveys detected a black-backed woodpecker nest in Stand 178. The stand will be surveyed for this species in spring, 2006 to locate any active black-backed nests. If found the nest tree will be included in one of the wildlife clumps.

IX. SLOPE STABILITY AND GEOTECHNICAL ISSUES:

None. The entire sale area is under nearly level.

X. RECREATION RESOURCES:

Hunting and mushroom picking are the only known recreational uses of the sale area.

XI. CULTURAL RESOURCES:

There are no known protected cultural resources in the sale area.

XII. SCENIC RESOURCES:

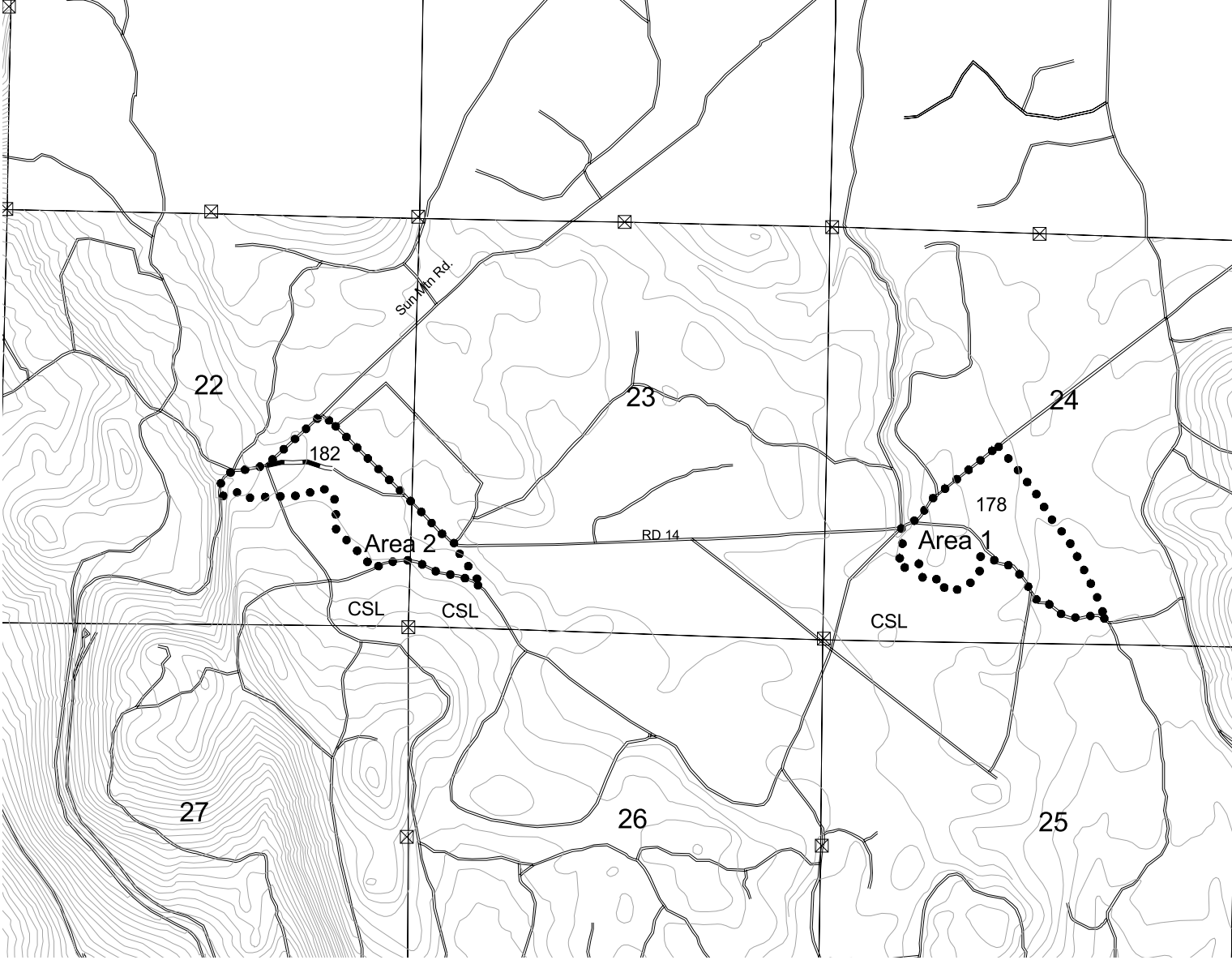
There are no visual concerns associated with the sale area.

XIII. OTHER RESOURCE CONSIDERATIONS:

None

XIV. LAND MANAGEMENT CLASSIFICATION SUMMARY

The sale area is classified as General Stewardship.



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 Attachment A

Legend

- Timber Sale Boundary
- Existing Roads
- ▤ Road Construction
- ▬ Road Improvement
- ⊠ Survey Corner



Sale Area	Net Acres
1	64
2	55
Total	119



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