

2007 AOP Public Comments and Responses

All Districts

Proposed Management Prescription

COMMENT: None

RESPONSE:

Roads and Related Projects

COMMENT: None

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Slope Stability and Geotechnical Issues

COMMENT: None

RESPONSE:

Recreation Resources

COMMENT: I would like to address the forest logging operations that are held within motorized recreational use areas.

We have been told in the past that there is not enough time to plan new trails for OHV use.

Can the temporary spur roads that are set for decommission and removal be considered for an OHV trailhead? Instead of spending money to decommission roads, then spend time finding good trail routes, it could seem logical to leave some spur roads in place but blocked until a proper trail route can be established using them.

RESPONSE: Many of the spur roads that are constructed for harvest activity are not being decommissioned. Some are being closed after harvest and young stand management activities are complete and are, or will be, reopened and utilized again during the next timber harvest cycle.

On the Tillamook State Forest, the Oregon Department of Forestry (ODF) considered the use of old roads and spur roads as part of the Off-Highway Vehicle (OHV) trail system and are currently utilizing some closed roads as part of the trail system.

Spur roads that will be decommissioned can be considered for conversion to trails where:

They provide connections to other system trails and the spur location is consistent with the trail location concepts in the OHV Trail Plans.

Environmental considerations can be mitigated.

They can be appropriately designed to accommodate the OHV use activity.

Future conflicts with timber sale road development can be avoided.

All Districts continued

Other Resource Considerations

COMMENT: None

RESPONSE:

Vegetation Management

COMMENT: None

RESPONSE:

Other Issues

COMMENT: None

RESPONSE: