Written Testimony No. 1

Written Testimony Form

For the Crook County
District Boundary Change

Oregon Department of Forestry,
Attn: Sabrina Perez
2600 State Street, Salem OR 97310
503-945-7212 or e-mail sabrina.perez@oregon.gov
(Must be received by 5:00 pm May 27th)

Name: Mill Creek Land, LLC, Mark + Georgette Copeland

Mailing Address: 7900 NE Mill Ck. Rd.
Prineville OR 97754

Site Address (if different than mailing address)

Tax Lot Information for the lot in question T14S R17E E¾ of 23, of 24, of 26
T14S R18E of 19, N½ 30, W½ SW¼ of 18

Phone: 541-447-7363

To be of greatest use to the Board of Forestry, please be very specific as to why you feel your property should or should not be included within the ODF District Boundary:

The inclusion of the above lands (hereinafter "Lands") in a fire protection district is unwarranted.

Fire protection is inherently for the benefit of those who pay for it. The buildings on T14R17 of 26 are covered by Crook Co. Fire. The organic material located on the lands have, at best, minor grazing value that may benefit from fire on a regular basis by reducing juniper (something the state and federal govts.

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pay for, but can be accomplished better by fire) and invasive weeds and allowing regrowth of native grasses more tolerant to fire. These benefits can be observed on the flats north of Warm Springs where fire burned west of Hwy 26 but not east.

The only arguement for including the Lands in a fire protection district is to protect other lands with some value from burning. I am not aware that adjacent lands have much in the way of forest value, but I would agree that fire could be fought on the Lands for that purpose.

The biggest risk posed by the Lands being in a fire district is not fire, but the certainty that per acre assessments will become substantially larger over time. A solution: to assure access to the Lands and similar lands, include such lands and show them as ag or unclassified on the map.

Thank you for your testimony.

MARK COPELAND
Strategic Analysis, LLC
7900 NE Mill Creek Rd.
Prineville, OR 97754

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OREGON DEPT. OF FORESTRY
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Written Testimony No. 2

Oregon Department of Forestry
Central Oregon District
P.O. Box 670
Prineville, OR 97754

To: District Forester

Re: District Boundary Adjustment

As landowners in the vicinity of township 14 South, range 16 East, Section 36, southeast quarter.

We are requesting that the Forest Protection District boundary not be moved to the east to the vicinity of Mill Creek.

We are requesting that the Forest Protection District boundary be moved to the west from its current location to the boundary between the agricultural lands and the natural cover type.

Our properties would then be included within the Forest Protection District. We recognize that we would pay a Forest Patrol Assessment to the Oregon Department of Forestry for fire protection. This would be in addition to the fees paid to the Crook County Fire & Rescue for structural protection and rural protection.

We recognize that Crook County Fire & Rescue is an outstanding structural fire protection agency, but Crook County Fire & Rescue does not have the resources or personnel to adequately deal with a large natural cover fire. Therefore we are asking that our lands be included in the Forest Protection District.

Sincerely

Ray & Renee Fahlgren
641 NE Wyoming Drive
Prineville, OR 97754
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Gordon & Bonnie Foster
1005 NE Washington Place
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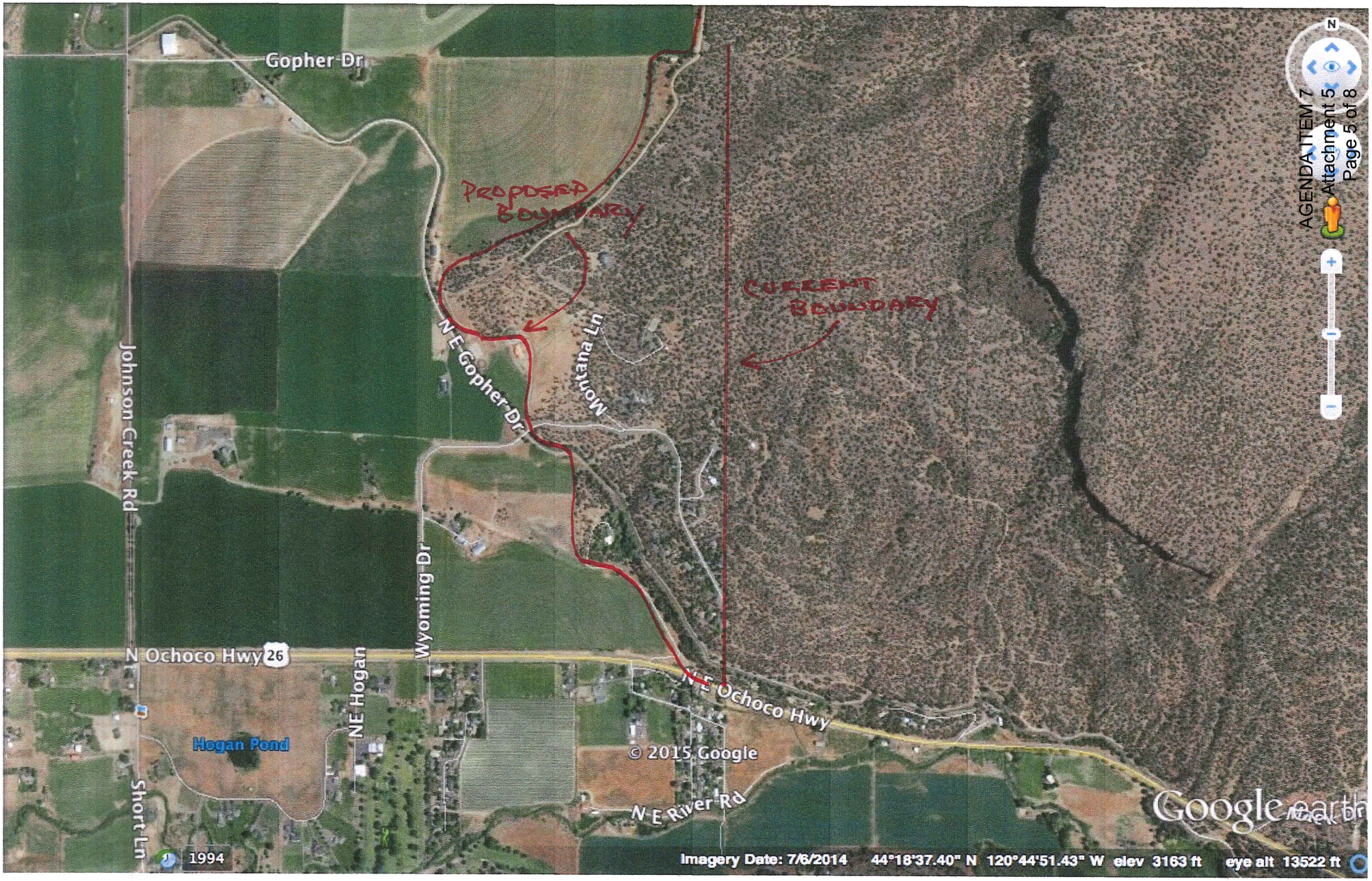
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Written Testimony No. 3

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Name: Eldrit E VanWert + Loraine I Brunner

Mailing Address: Eldrit VanWert
Loraine Brunner
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Site Address (if different than mailing address)
1992 NW Wood Road, Prineville - Section 28

Tax Lot Information for the lot in question #652

Phone: 541-416-9297 - Eldrit Cell 480-9297

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See Attached Statement
(3 pages Here) Map Highlighted!

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WRITTEN TESTIMONY FORM ATTACHMENT

From: Eldrit Van Wert and Loraine Brunner
PO Box 1730, Prineville, OR 97754

Dated: May 26, 2015 after Hearing at Prineville, OR Library

We own Section 28 and the ~~West~~ South ½ Half of Section 21 above the Ochoco Reservoir.

The proposed boundary includes the ~~West~~ South ½ Half of Section 21 and excludes Section 28.

We would like to redraw the proposed boundary line to include Section 28 to provide continuous protection to our property which is elk and deer wintering range.

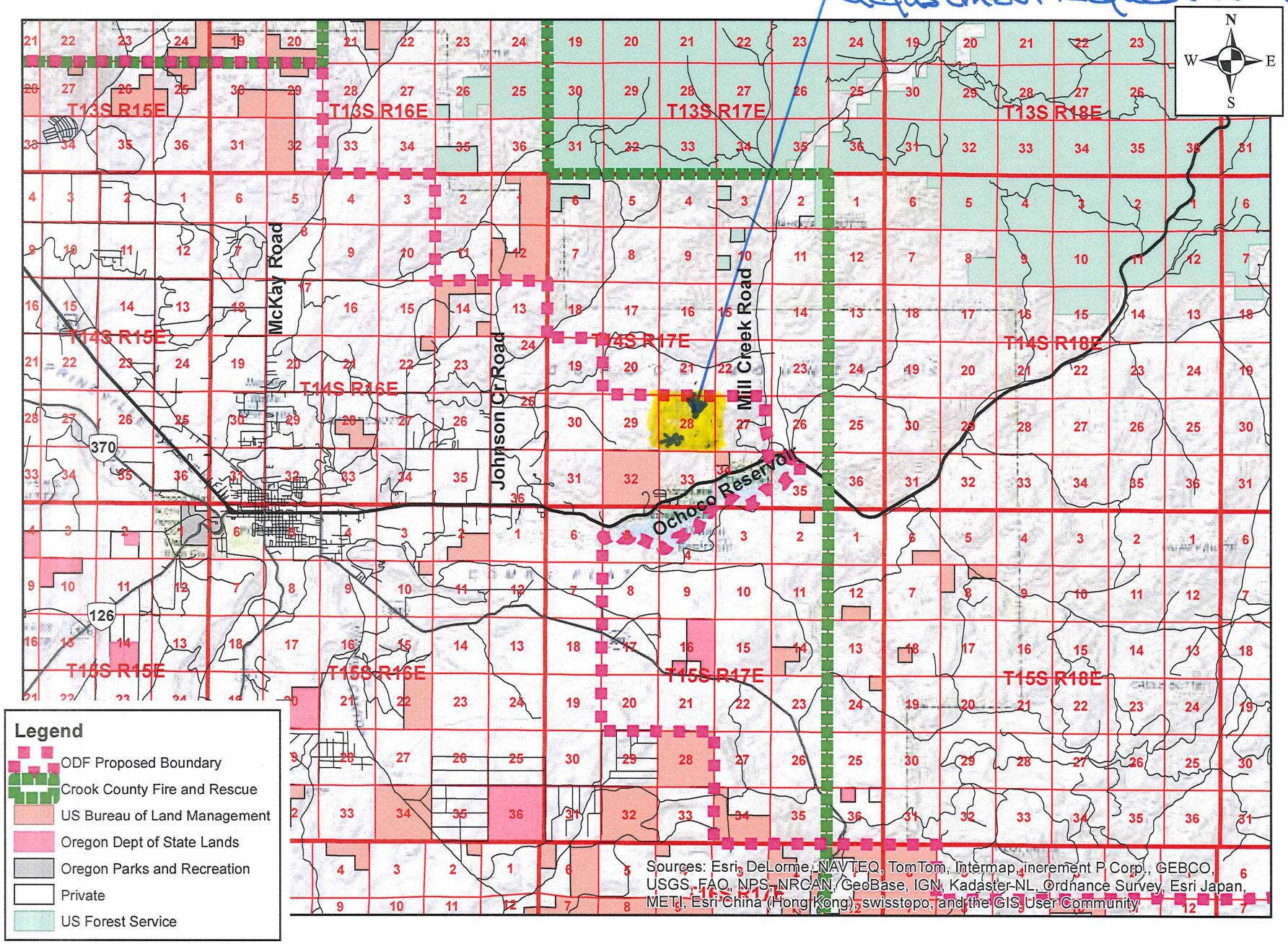
The land has many Ponderosa pine trees on it and almost all of the land is quite steep.

We thin about 20 to 40 acres annually to retard wild fire and increase foliage for the deer and elk wintering range.

We love our land and wish to protect it now and for future generations of our family.

Please include Section 28 above Ochoco Reservoir in your proposed boundary classification !

Eldrit E Van Wert and Loraine I Brunner

Proposed Boundary

* This is proposed adjustment request area