

# Pre-Operations Report

**Operation Name:** Slough Hill

**County (%):** Clatsop (100%)

**Elevation:** 32 - 173 ft

**Legal Description:** T8N, R7W, Sections 9, 10

**Tax Code(s):** 4-03

**BOF%:** 100    **CSL%:** 0

**Sale Quarter:** 4th

## I. VOLUME AND VALUE SUMMARY

**Table 1. Types, Acres, and Value**

Unit	Harvest Type	Anticipated Product <sup>c</sup>	Gross Acres	Net Acres <sup>d</sup>	MBF/Acre <sup>a</sup>	MBF/Unit <sup>a</sup>	\$/MBF <sup>b</sup>	\$/Unit
1	CC	DF-S, WH-S	189	120	35.0	4,200	\$350	\$1,470,000
Total		Regeneration	189	120		4,200		
		Partial Cut						
							Gross Value	\$1,470,000
a. Estimated harvest volume per acre for Unit.							Project Costs	\$126,000
b. Estimated 'price' (excluding Project Costs)							Net Value	\$1,344,000
c. Anticipated Product (AA-B-C) – AA) SLI species code of the bid species, B) Size Class (S – small [average DBH < 15], M – medium [average DBH 15 to 23], L – large (average DBH > 23)), C) Special Product (P – Premium, H – Hardwood)								
d. Current acreage within sale polygon for Unit 1 exceeds 120 acres. On the ground assessments remain of some stream locations and green tree retention areas or potential sale boundary edits will be assessed if needed to keep acreage under 120.								

## II. CURRENT STAND CONDITION:

**Table 2. Stand Inventory Information**

Unit	Stand ID	Measured/Imputed <sup>a</sup>	Species	Age	TPA	DBH	BA	SDI	Net Acres <sup>b</sup>
1	23037	I = 23068	DF, WH	39	337	11	213	63%	37
1	23043	M	DF, WH	38	363	10	214	64%	10
1	23045	M	DF, RA	35	271	11	182	53%	5
1	25024	I = 23050	DF, CH	55	163	14	172	46%	84

a. Identify the source of stand inventory information. Use the following codes: M = Measured SLI data, I = Imputed SLI data, P = Pre-Cruise Plots, O = other (if other, describe below).

b. Net Acres have been rounded to the nearest whole acre in this table. Stand that comprise less than one acre of a harvest unit are not reported in this table, so the total "Net Acres" per unit in this table may not equal the total "Net Acres" per unit in table 1.

- These stands were planted. Older portions of the unit were pre-commercial thinned in the late 1970s and then commercially thinned in 2012.

**Table 3. Additional Stand Information**

Unit	Stand ID	Snags/Acre <sup>a</sup>	Down Wood/Acre <sup>b</sup>	Forest Health		
				SNC	Phellinus	Other <sup>c</sup>
1	23037	10	616			
1	23043	3	555			
1	23045	1	884			
1	25024	11	481			

a. Identify the number of hard snags per acre (decay classes 1 and 2)

b. Identify the cubic feet per acre of hard down wood (decay classes 1 and 2)

c. Describe "Other" forest health issue.

III. WILDLIFE AND T&E SPECIES CONSIDERATIONS:

Foresters need to request the Biological Survey Tracking Form (BSTF) from the ODF Wildlife Biologist prior to sale layout in order to ensure all T&E related information is complete and understood.

- 1. A portion of the operation is within (Check all that apply):  
☐ TAS    ☐ NSO Circle or Home Range, or Baseline or Elevated Baseline Thiessen (BA required)  
☐ MMMA (BA required)    ☒ None
- 2. Are Surveys for NSO being conducted for any portion of this operation?  
☐ No    ☒ Density Surveys    ☐ Operational Surveys    ☐ Combination (Density/Operational)  
Notes:
- 3. Are Surveys for MM being conducted for any portion of this operation?  
☒ Yes (in progress/completed)    ☐ No (Not habitat)    ☐ N/A (outside of MM survey zone) Yes (in progress/completed)    ☐ No (Not habitat)    ☐ N/A (outside of MM survey zone)
  - Notes: Surveys are being conducted for portions of the sale unit in 2023/20204 and 2024/2025. These surveys will expire on 04/01/2030 and 04/01/2031 respectively.
- 4. Are there any additional considerations (FPA Resource Sites, Species of Concern sites/Plant [from ORBIC<sup>1</sup>]?  
☒ No    ☐ Yes, please describe:

IV. DESIRED FUTURE CONDITION AND PRESCRIPTION:

Table 4. Stand Structure Information

Unit	Stand ID	Current	Desired Future <sup>b</sup>	Inside of HCA	Net Acres <sup>a</sup>
1	23037	UDS	GEN	No	37
1	23043	UDS	GEN	No	10
1	23045	UDS	GEN	No	5
1	25024	CSC	GEN	No	84

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- b. While desired future condition complex (Layered -LYR and Older Forest Structure – OFS) is mapped, targets for Regeneration, Closed Single Canopy and Understory stands are not. These stand types are typically referred to as General (GEN) when discussing desired future condition.

Table 5. Partial Cut & HCA Prescriptions (Complete only for Partial Cut and HCA Harvests)

Unit	Harvest Type	Harvest Species	Residual			
			Species	TPA	BA	% SDI
1	CC					

- **Leave Tree Considerations:** Foresters will work with wildlife biologist during sale layout. The following should be considered when determining final leave tree arrangements.
  - **Stand Characteristics:** Prioritize larger diameter trees within each unit as part of the retention strategy.

<sup>1</sup> Oregon Biodiversity Information Center  
Astoria District  
Approved – July 2025

- **Visual:** Portions of Unit 1 are visible to Ziak-Gnat Creek Lane, where available wind firm trees that do not present safety hazards will be identified and left in these areas
- **Adjacent Landowners:** Portions of the sale area are adjacent to private landowners. Wind firm trees that do not present a safety hazard will be identified and to leave in proximity to these areas.
- **Reforestation Considerations:** Following the completion of harvest, the unit will be planted with a mixture of species native to the geographic area.

## V. HARVESTING AND ACCESS CONSIDERATIONS:

**Table 6. Harvest System and Access Summary**

Unit	Harvest System		Slope (%)	Unit Access	Seasonal Access
	% Cable	% Ground			
1	20	80	35-65	Unverified	Combo

1. Haul Route:

- Fertile Valley Road to Brownsmead Hill Road.
- All sale access roads are behind a locked gate. Gate is located at the junction Fertile Valley Road and Brownsmead Hill Road.

2. Haul Route Condition:

- A road improvement project is planned for replacement rock and maintenance needs. Interior working spurs will be assessed during sale layout to determine if more extensive road maintenance is needed.
- Fertile Valley Road was improved/maintained with a previous sale. Projects on the main haul route will be minimized.

3. Are easements required for the haul route? ☐ Yes ☒ No

**Table 7. Transportation Management Summary (Miles)**

Activity	Mainline	Collector	Rocked Spur	Dirt Spur
Construct	0	0	0.6	0.5
Improve, Rock, and/or Maintain	0	0	2.3	0
Vacate	0	0	0	0
Stream Crossings: install on existing road (IE)/replace on existing road (R)/install on new construction road (NC)				
Type F - SSBT <sup>a</sup>	0	0	0	0
Type F – Non-SSBT	0	0	0	0
Type N	0	0	0	1 NC

a. Salmon Steelhead and Bull Trout (SSBT)

- Fertile Valley Road waterholes will be evaluated for improvement and expansion. One is in a Type N stream, and one is near a Type F stream where a culvert was removed.
- The Type N stream crossing is on an existing road grade and will be removed upon completion of use.

4. Rock Sources for this operation:

- Hunt Creek Quarry and Stockpiles. Pit-run and Jaw-run is available at the Hunt Creek Quarry.

5. Are property line surveys required for this operation? ☐ Yes ☒ No
  - Survey was completed in early 2025.
6. Is there planned new road construction planned within RCAs/HCAs? ☒ Yes ☐ No
  - New road construction within the RCA will only occur when other alternatives are not operationally or economically feasible. Planned new road construction will be evaluated as it is further refined during sale layout. As part of new construction there is a Type N crossing on an existing grade that will install a pipe where a previous one was vacated. It will be removed upon completion of use.

## VI. AQUATIC RESOURCES:

1. Do any streams additional review for the following?
  - Fish presence: ☒ No ☐ Yes
  - Perennial/Seasonal: ☐ No ☒ Yes
  - H.E.R: ☐ No ☒ Yes
    - There are several streams within the sale that require additional review. Buffers shown on the map indicate where it is believed streams are located. These streams will be located, verified for permanence, and/or type of seasonal stream during sale layout and Geotech review and buffered as required.
2. Is a portion of the operation within an Aquatic Anchor? ☒ No ☐ Yes, name:
3. Are any domestic points of diversion identified in the Oregon Water Resource Department's water rights information search GIS database located downstream within 3,000 feet of the harvest operation?
 ☒ No ☐ Yes, describe protection measures:
4. Are there any unregistered or unknown status domestic points of diversion that have been identified within the harvest operation? ☒ No ☐ Yes, please describe:
5. Is there a Stream Enhancement Project planned? ☒ No ☐ Yes, please describe:

## VII. SLOPE STABILITY ISSUES:

**Table 8. Summary of Slope Stability Assessment**

Unit	Harvest Review Complete	Public Safety Review Complete	Additional Comment
1	Yes	Yes	

- **Geotech Review:** Geotechnical reviews have been completed, and it was determined that no slope protections are needed. Additional consultation with Geotechnical Specialists will be done during sale layout as needed.

## VIII. RECREATION RESOURCES:

1. Recreation issues/coordination: ☒ No ☐ Yes, please describe:

## IX. HISTORIC AND CULTURAL RESOURCES:

1. Has the sale been reviewed by a qualified archaeologist for potential historic or cultural resource presence?
 ☒ Yes ☐ No

## **X. SCENIC RESOURCES:**

1. Are there scenic resources in the vicinity of this operation that need additional consideration?

☐ No ☒ Yes, please describe:

- Portions of the sale may be visible from Ziak-Gnat Creek Lane and this will be taken into account when determining green tree retention strategies.

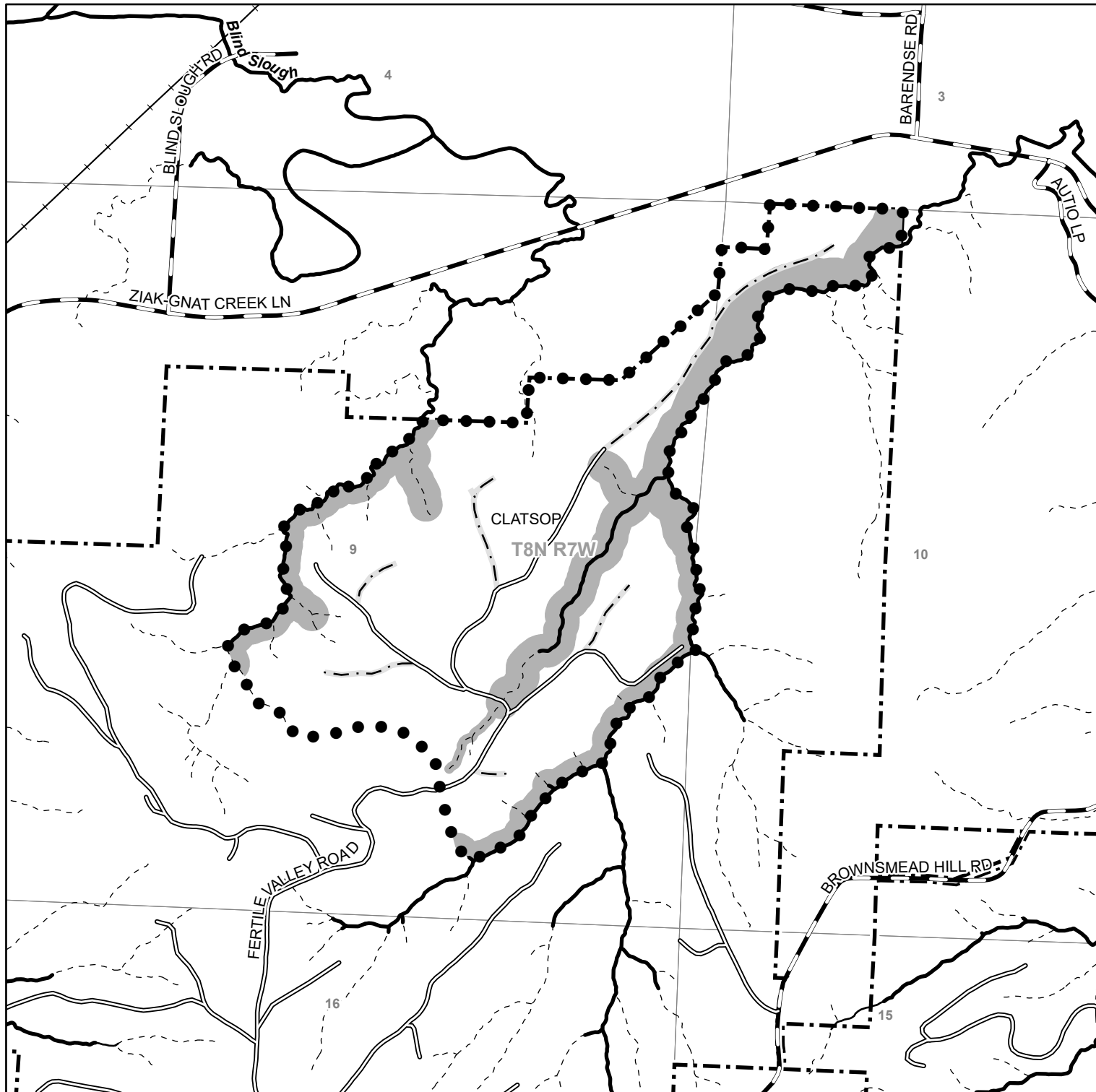
## **XI. OTHER RESOURCE CONSIDERATIONS:**

1. Has a review of the FLMCS layer determined that any resources not mentioned in the report above need additional planning? ☒ No ☐ Yes, describe below

- There is a Swiss Needle cast transect withing the sale unit. This transect is managed by the Astoria ODF office, is no longer in use, and is available for harvest.

2. Are there any other resources present that need additional consideration? ☐ No ☒ Yes, please describe:

- **Unit Size:** The current sale shape is greater than 120 acres. There are multiple streams within the sale that require stream surveys. Depending on the results of these surveys the acreage of the sale may drop to below 120 acres. If it does not modifications will be made to the sale boundaries to ensure that the sale is under this threshold.
- **Adjacent Landowners (shared property lines):**
  - Private Homeowners:
    - District staff will work with adjacent private landowners to determine what additional outreach is needed during the sale process and if any additional restrictions are needed.
      - Unit 1 has a shared property lines with private homeowners. Due to the proximity of homeowners additional restrictions for controlled felling, operating timing restrictions and outreach will be required during sale layout and administration.
      - Spray Plans: Due to the proximity of adjacent homes and other protected resources spraying in this area will be hand applied.



# **Legend**

- ● Sale Boundary
- No Harvest Area
- + Railroads
- - - New Road Construction
- Paved Roads
- Surfaced Roads
- Perennial Fish Streams
- Perennial Non-Fish Streams
- - - Seasonal Streams
- - - Ownership Boundary

## **FY 2026 - Astoria District Slough Hill Portions of Sections 9, 10, T8N, R7W, W.M. Clatsop County**

120 Acres (CC)

State Forest Division  
12/19/2024

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1,000 500 0 1,000 Feet

