

NORTHWEST OREGON REGIONAL FOREST PRACTICES COMMITTEE OPERATOR OF THE YEAR TOUR

Tour: October 29-30th, 2025



Northwest Oregon Region - Op Yr Tour Timeline

Wednesday 10/29/2025

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| Meet @ ODF Salem Office | 0715 - 0730 |
| <i>Meet in the parking lot by admin (Building C/History museum) in red circle of map attached</i> | |
| Travel to Sweet Home office | 0730 - 0830 |
| Travel to Site | 0830 - 0930 |
| Site tour (SH – RDL Northwest) | 0930 – 1015 |
| Return to SH office | 1015 – 1115 |
| Travel to ODF Veneta office | 1115 – 1230 |
| Lunch | 1230 - 1245 |
| Load travel to site | 1250 – 1350 |
| Site tour (Alma – Emerald Valley Thinning) | 1350 – 1435 |
| Return to Veneta office (Restroom break – 10mins) | 1435 – 1545 |
| Travel to Salem ODF | 1545 - 1715 |
| Travel to Forest Grove | 1720 - 1830 |
| Overnight Forest Grove | |

Thursday 10/30/2025

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| Meet @ ODF Forest Grove office – front parking lot | 0700 – 0715 |
| Travel to Site (meet SF's @ Klootchey Cr. Park) | 0715 – 0915 |
| Site tour (Quality Excavation) | 0915 – 1000 |
| Return to Forest Grove office | 1000 – 1200 |
| Lunch break | 1200 – 1230 |
| RFPC meeting | (tentative) 1230 |

Travel ODF Salem -> ODF Sweet Home: approx. 1hr

Travel ODF Sweet Home -> ODF Veneta: approx. 1hr 15mins

Travel ODF Veneta -> ODF Salem: approx. 1½ hrs

Travel ODF Salem -> Forest Grove: approx. 1hr 10mins





FOREST OPERATOR RECOGNITION PROGRAM

PURPOSE: This directive establishes guidelines for the Forest Practices Forest Operator Recognition Program.

OBJECTIVES:

- A. To publicly recognize operators that consistently exceed the Oregon Forest Practices Act and Forest Practice rules.
- B. To improve public understanding of the Forest Practices Act and its accomplishments.

AUTHORITY: ORS 527.630 It is the "...policy of the State of Oregon to encourage economically efficient forest practices that assure the continuous growing and harvesting of forest tree species and the maintenance of forestland for such purposes as the leading use on privately owned land, consistent with sound management of soil, air, water, fish and wildlife resources and scenic resources within visually sensitive corridors...."

SCOPE: This directive is to be applied statewide.

STANDARDS:

- A. Levels of Recognition (or categories).
 - 1. Forest Operator of the Year. The Oregon State Board of Forestry will present three "Forest Practices Forest Operator of the Year" awards to operators selected by each of the three regional Forest Practice committees. Selected operators will be individuals/companies that consistently exceed the Forest Practices Act and Forest Practice rules.
 - 2. Merit Awards. Merit award winners shall be selected from Forest Operator of the Year nominees. Winners must consistently exceed the Forest Practices Act and Forest Practice rules.
 - 3. Letters of Commendation. Districts should give Letters of Commendation to operators that have shown concern for the environment during an operation, regardless of the degree of operation difficulty or past operator performance.



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STANDARDS: (Cont.)

- B. Size of Operation to Recognize. Any size operation may be recognized.
- C. Type of Operation to Recognize. Either companies, contractors or individuals may be recognized. Awards are not limited to harvesting operations. Generally, landowners will not be considered for recognition as operators except in cases where the landowner is conducting the operation.
- D. Nomination Screening Criteria. Only operators who meet the following criteria will be considered for Operator of the Year or merit awards.
 - 1. Consistency of the Operator. The operator can be counted upon to consistently do an outstanding job.

"Consistently" is defined as no violations of the Forest Practices Act within the last two years, and recognition by the Forest Practices forester of "exceeding rules" often. "Exceeds" is defined to mean that the operator prevents resource damage, and results go beyond the rules and the minimum required results.
 - 2. Degree of Difficulty. The operator faced a difficult operation. (For example, most operators could do a good job on flat ground with no running streams involved.)
 - 3. Innovation and Extra Effort. The operator used innovations, extra effort or other creative solutions in conducting operations while protecting or enhancing resources.
 - 4. Results. The operator achieved resource protection results on the ground which exceed the intent of the rules, or otherwise enhanced protected resources as described in Board of Forestry policy.
 - 5. Financial Risk. The operator assumed some financial risk in conducting the operation. (Money, time, or equipment, as opposed to the landowner paying the operator for cost plus profit.)



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STANDARDS: (Cont.)

- E. Weighing Factors. Operators who met all the nomination criteria will be considered for recognized Operator of the Year awards. The operator may have done an excellent job on one operation, but adequate at other times. In such cases, the operator should be considered for a Letter of Commendation or a Merit Award. The operator who consistently does an excellent job of exceeding the Act on several operations (either the same or different types of operations) should be considered for regional Forest Operator of the Year. An operator who does an excellent job on a few operations can still be nominated for regional Forest Operator of the Year, but more weight would go to the operator that does an excellent job on several operations.
- F. Number of Awards.
1. Forest Operator of the Year -- One award each for the Eastern Oregon, Southwest Oregon, and Northwest Oregon Forest Practices Regions.
 2. Merit Awards -- No more than one award per district except when the area director believes circumstances warrant otherwise.
 3. Letters of Commendation -- No limit.

OPTIONAL RATING FORM OPERATOR RECOGNITION OPERATOR OF THE YEAR

| CRITERIA | POINTS POSSIBLE | SCORE |
|-------------------------|-----------------|-------|
| CONSISTENCY | 20 | |
| DIFFICULTY | 15 | |
| CONCERN FOR RESOURCE | 20 | |
| INNOVATION/EFFORT | 15 | |
| RESULTS | 30 | |
| TOTAL SCORE | | |

STOP #1

RDL NORTHWEST

NW Oregon Regional Forest Practices Committee

Operator of the Year Tour – October 29th, 2025



OPTIONAL RATING FORM
OPERATOR RECOGNITION
OPERATOR OF THE YEAR

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2025 Operator Recognition Program – Nomination Form

AWARD CATEGORY: ***Operator of the Year / Merit Award***

REGION (NW/SW/East): NW

DISTRICT: ***Sweet Home***

NOMINATED BY: ***Cascade Timber Consulting, Inc.***

OPERATOR INFORMATION AND MAILING ADDRESS:

Operator Company Name: RDL NORTHWEST
Company Address: 1200 E Grant St, Lebanon OR 97355
Company Phone No. (541) 979-0538
Company Email: rick@rdlnorthwest.com
Company Primary Contact Name (Owner): Rick Dennis
Contact Cell Phone No. (541) 979-0538
Contacts Email: rick@rdlnorthwest.com

Operation Information (*Operation as example of work with RFPC tour*)

Activities: Harvest (X) Site Prep () Reforestation () Road Construction ()
Stand Management () Other () _____

Date of Operation: Jan-Feb 2025

NOAP No. 2024-772-03352 (Rumbaugh Top)

Location of Operation (Legal Desc & Landmark): T13S R3E Secs 9,10,15,16

General Description of Operation: Clearcut harvest with Swing Yarder, tether logging, and conventional shovel logging

What were the protected resources involved and efforts involved:

Soil integrity during winter months, worked around a slope retention area, multiple type N streams

Criteria of Award Nomination

Describe Operator's **Consistency** in performance over the years (use examples):

RDL Northwest repeatedly displays work that produces outstanding resource protection for over the last 25+ years. On gentle ground during the rainy season, Rick will often choose to set up his swing yarder for the sake of limiting soil compaction, rutting, and maintain water quality.

Describe the **Difficulty** and complexity of the operation nominated as well as past operations in regards to protection of forest resources: RDL Northwest is not afraid to tackle complex jobs. Yarder setup with little deflection, limited mobile tailholds, working near DSSA, during winter months

Describe how the operator was **Innovative/Extra Efforts** (including matching equipment to the job) or used extra effort on this operation and then Past Operations: RDL utilized where possible a mobile tailhold, tethered cutting and yarding, grapple swing yarder on small landings

Describe **Results** in resource protection and forest management benefits: Soils were protected, equipment limitation zone guidelines followed, slope retention area protected, water quality ensured.

Describe the **Financial Risk assumed by the operator** as well as how much influence the landowner had on this operation: The volume per acre on this sale was extremely low. Factoring multiple lead changes, production loads/day, downtime due to overly saturated soils all contributed to a financial risk that was assumed by Rick.

OTHER INFO that should be known for consideration to help form a solid picture of your nominee: It was very difficult to choose which harvest unit to highlight. Rick, with RDL Northwest is a planner...down to every detail. He will give input and ideas that the CTC Forester's haven't thought about. His quality job is repeated over and over.

Landowner of Operation listed above:

Agency/Company: Cascade Timber Consulting, Inc.
Contact Name: Milt Moran
Title: President
Email: mmoran@cascadetimber.com
Phone No. (541)367-2111

Nominator(s):

Name: Brian Murray
Agency/Company: Cascade Timber Consulting, Inc.
Title: Presale Forester
Email: bmurray@cascadetimber.com
Phone No. (541)409-6112

Name:
Agency/Company:
Title:
Email:
Phone No. ()

Please Attach if Available (for the selected demonstration operation) or other overall information for operators history and experiences:

- NOAP

- *Written Plan/PFAP*
- *Location Map*
- *Operation Map*
- *Aerial Photo*
- *Photographs of operation/activities/efforts/etc.*
- *Letters of Reference/Support*
- *Any additional documents to support nomination*
 - *Other landowners*
 - *Other agencies involved with the nominee on projects*
 - *Other ODF staff*
 - *Neighbors/community (ie. Mayor of city or neighbors next to op that have input, etc.)*

Nominations are due by Wednesday June 25th, 2025.

Please email nominations to: ooynominations@odf.oregon.gov



NOTIFICATION OF OPERATIONS/PERMIT TO OPERATE POWER-DRIVEN MACHINERY (NOAP)

Notification Number: 2024-772-03352
Operation Name: RUMBAUGH TOP



This NOAP includes the following for the lands described in the NOAP:

- The notifier has given notice to the State Forester that an operation will be conducted.
- The Oregon Department of Forestry or local Forest Protective Association has issued a permit to use fire or operate power-driven machinery.
- ***Before you use fire, contact the local office of the Oregon Department of Forestry or Forest Protective Association to see if additional burn permit and/or Smoke Management Program regulations apply.***
- The notifier has given notice to the State Forester and the Department of Revenue of the intent to harvest timber.
- The Operator must report on all activities on this NOAP by December 31 of the NOAP's Activity year unless a continuation has been issued. Continued NOAPs must be reported by the end of the following year.

Person Submitting the NOAP: CTC Sales Admin
Date NOAP Submitted: February 6, 2024
Report Generated: September 26, 2025
Landowner Status: The Landowner is not a Small Forestland Owner

Notifier Comment

Notified by Brian Murray. Uploaded last summer's stream survey information.

Waiting Period

You must wait at least 15 days after successful submittal of this NOAP before starting the activities in the NOAP (see OAR 629-605-0150(1)). You may ask the ODF Forester to waive this 15-day waiting period, ***but you must wait the full 15 days unless the ODF Forester notifies you that you may start sooner.***

Oregon Department of Forestry Contact Info

Sweet Home
4690 Hwy 20
Sweet Home, Oregon 97386
Phone: (541) 367-6108
ODF Forester: Steve Kendall
Email: steve.kendall@oregon.gov

Operator's Fire Emergency Contact

Contact Name: Milton Moran
Phone: (541)367-2111

| Landowner(s) | Notice to Landowner(s) |
|--|--|
| CTC Sales Admin Cascade Timber Consulting, Inc PO Box 446 3210 Hwy 20 Sweet Home, Oregon 97386 (541) 367-2111 | Reforestation may be required after timber harvesting. The Oregon Department of Forestry may conduct on-site inspections for compliance with forest practice and fire protection laws. Land use conversion to non-forest use is subject to other state and local regulations, which may affect use or development of a site. |
| Timber Owner | Notice to Timber Owner |
| Timber Service Co. Forester Timber Service Co. PO Box 446 Sweet Home, Oregon 97386 (541) 367-2111 | If timber is harvested, the party owning the timber at the point it is first measured is responsible for payment of Oregon timber taxes. |

Written Plans

A Written Plan (in addition to this NOAP) is required before operation activities can begin near the protected resources listed with the Unit information or Site Conditions below or otherwise described to you by the ODF Forester ([OAR 629-605-0170](#) (2), (3), and (5)). The Written Plan must describe in detail how the resource(s) will be protected during the operation. There is a waiting period for Written Plans that is separate from the notification waiting period. Contact your ODF Forester for more information.

Formal Comments from Oregon Department of Forestry

Steve Kendall on 7/10/2024

The attached plan for alternate practice for tethered operations modifying OAR 629-630-0150(4) & OAR 629-630-0500(4) is approved. Fully implementing an approved Plan for an Alternate Practice will likely achieve the FPA resource protection standards. The operation will be evaluated on the basis of how well the approved Plan for Alternate Practice is implemented and how well required resource protection is achieved.

Steve Kendall on 2/28/2024

Operator changed to RDL per notifier request.

Steve Kendall on 2/13/2024

Fully implementing the attached written plan is likely to achieve the resource protection standards. This operation will be evaluated on the basis of how well required practices are applied and how well required resource protection is achieved.

Steve Kendall on 2/7/2024

Apply appropriate Np, Ns stream protections based based on uploaded stream surveys.

Steve Kendall on 2/7/2024

The operation has steep or erosion-prone slopes or high landslide hazard locations. No ground-based machinery activity may occur on slopes which are steep or erosion-prone within 100' of any stream or on high landslide hazard locations, without a State Forester approved Plan for Alternate Practice. Unit contains sediment source areas and slope retention areas, and requires a written plan for DSSAs. "Other wetlands" located to the southwest of notified unit boundary.

Site Conditions (reported by the Notifier)

Stream within 100 feet of area.

Notices

Submitting this Notification of operations on lands described in the NOAP constitutes consent for Department staff to access the property to ensure compliance with state law and rules governing forest practices through on-site inspections. The landowner must notify the ODF forester to withdraw this consent.

Compliance Monitoring: Landowners are required to provide access to their operation sites for ODF compliance monitoring studies in accordance with OAR 629-678-0100.

Permission from Landowner and Timber Owner Required for Operators, purchasers, contractors, general public: Submitting this notification does *not* give permission for operators, purchasers, contractors, or the general public to enter someone else's land or remove forest products. Anyone doing so must first obtain permission from the landowner and timber owner.

Pesticide Use: Pesticide users must follow all pesticide product label requirements, including any that prohibit applications near or into streams or other water bodies! Pesticide users must be sure the label that comes with the pesticide product allows the planned use! Contact the Oregon Department of Agriculture [here](#) or at 503-986-4635 for information on allowed uses of pesticide products.

Operations Near Utility Lines: If you are conducting timber harvesting or road construction within 100 feet of overhead utility lines contact the local utility in accordance with ORS 757.805 - Oregon's Overhead Safety Act and OAR 437-007-0230 - Power Line Safeguards. Identification tags are located on each pole.

Call the Oregon Utility Notification Center at 811 at least 2 business days before starting timber harvesting, road construction, or any other activities involving excavation that may affect an underground utility line. The Center will coordinate with the appropriate utility companies to locate underground utility lines that may be affected by your activities.

Using Water for Pesticides or Slash Burning: If you plan to use on-site water (water from a stream, for example) to mix pesticides or for slash burning, you must provide a copy of this NOAP to the local offices of the Oregon Water Resources Department and the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (see ORS 537.141).

Registrants & Subscribers: There may be registrants and/or subscribers who receive this Notification. See the Notification Summary page within the E-Notification system or contact ODF for more details.

NOAP Changes: The notifier must inform the Oregon Department of Forestry of any changes in a NOAP before the activity takes place. A new NOAP may be required.

Protection of Cultural Resources: Under ORS 358.920 a person may not excavate, injure, destroy or alter an archaeological site or object or remove an archaeological object located on public or private lands in Oregon unless that activity is authorized by a permit issued under ORS 390.235. ORS 390.235 (5) exempts forestry operations on private lands from the permit requirement unless the site contains human remains, funerary objects and objects of cultural patrimony, or objects associated with a prehistoric Indian tribal culture. This exemption does not impact the applicability of the remainder of Oregon's cultural resource laws (ORS 97.740 – 97.994, 358.905 – 358.961, and 390.235 – 390.240). If human remains are encountered ORS 358.920 and ORS 97.745 require all excavation to stop and the find be reported to the landowner, the state police, the State Historic Preservation Officer and the Commission on Indian Services. ODF Staff cannot provide cultural resource advice or guidance, and landowners are encouraged to contact the State Historic Preservation Office [here](#) or at 503-986-0690.

Unit 1 of 1: RUMBAUGH TOP

46.6 acres Linn County(s)

T13S R3E Sec16,T13S R3E
Sec15,T13S R3E Sec10,T13S
R3E Sec9

Regulated Use Area: LN-1

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| Operator: Rick Dennis RDL Northwest PO Box 2378 Lebanon, Oregon 97355 (541) 451-3177 | Activity: Clearcut/Overstory Removal Start: 2/20/2024 End: 12/31/2024 Completion Status: Open | Method(s): Cable, Ground, tethered Quantity: 1380.00 MBF |
| Operator: Rick Dennis RDL Northwest PO Box 2378 Lebanon, Oregon 97355 (541) 451-3177 | Activity: Treatment of Slash Start: 2/20/2024 End: 12/31/2024 Completion Status: Open | Method(s): Mechanical, Burning - piles |

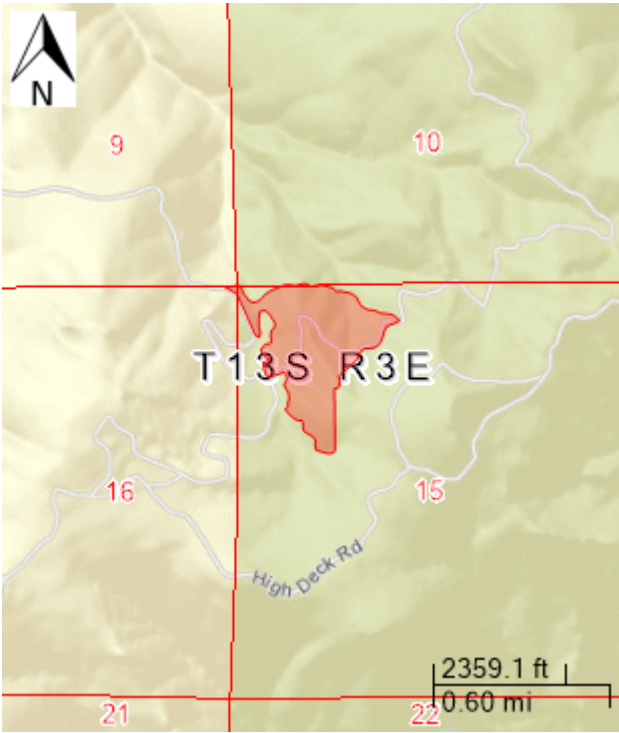
Resources on or near this Unit

| Statutory Written Plan required within 100 feet of | Statutory Written Plan required within 300 feet of |
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| Wetlands: Freshwater Forested/Shrub Wetland | |

Notes:

- 1. A statutory written plan is required for operations within *300 feet* of Estuarine or Marine Wetlands, not 100 feet as may be shown above.
- 2. Contact your ODF Forester about streams not shown on the map.

Unit Map: RUMBAUGH TOP



Plan for an Alternate Practice - *Template*

- Ground-based operations on Steep or Erosion Prone Slopes within 100 feet of a stream

- Ground-based operations on HLHL with No Public Safety Exposure

A. General:

1. Operator Name: RDL NORTHWEST Contact Phone: (541) 979-0538
Address: 1200 E. GRANT STREET, LEBANON OR
2. Landowner Name: TIMBER SERVICE Contact Phone: (541) 409-0227
3. Notification Number: 2024-772-03352 Operation Name: RUMBAUGH TOP
4. Legal Description: SECTION 15, 13S R3E

B. Slope conditions where ground-based operations will take place:

1. Steep or Erosion-Prone Slopes or highly erodible materials?
 - a. Slopes over 60% ☒ Yes ☐ No
 - b. Slopes over 40%, where ODF determines there are highly erodible soils ☒ Yes ☐ No
2. High Landslide Hazard Locations (HLHL)? ☒ Yes ☐ No
 - a. Western Oregon, (excluding competent rock outcrops) slopes over 80%, any headwall, or draw over 70%
 - b. Tyee Core Area, slopes over 75%, any headwall, or draw over 65%
 - c. Field identified by geotechnical specialist and ODF verified as equivalent to the above thresholds

C. Ground-based tethered operation activity:

1. Tethered cutting (with cable yarding)? ☒ Yes ☐ No
2. Tethered cutting and tethered yarding? ☒ Yes ☐ No

D. Detailed map showing areas of concern (geo-referenced map is preferred):

1. Slope steepness displayed as slope percentage breaks.
 - a. General slope breaks: <40%; 40 to 60%; 60 to 70%; 70 to 80%; >80%
 - b. Tyee Core Area slope breaks: <40%; 40 to 60%; 60 to 65%; 65 to 75%; >75%
2. Contours
3. Wet areas and downslope streams, including small seasonal streams.
4. "Exclusion zones" where tethered equipment will not operate, such as slides, headwalls.
5. Tethered equipment routes and temporary roads for tethered anchor equipment.
6. Other areas of concern or operational considerations.

E. Describe practices to reduce the potential for erosion to enter waters of the state on all slopes and prevent serious ground disturbance and drainage alterations on HLHL:

1. What Forest Practice Rules will be modified?
 - a. OAR 629-630-0150(5) ground-based equipment within 100 feet of a stream channel?
 - b. n/a
2. How will unidentified areas of concern be addressed when discovered during the operation?

We are hand cutting steep slopes and wet hardwood areas of concern. Areas that we cant log with a tethered shovel (MOST OF UNIT) we will get with grapple yarder. I nitial walking of this unit shows over half the acres will be hand cut (MAP)
3. What will be done to protect stream channels and waters of the state?

We will directionally fall the trees away from the stream channels. We will water bar or fluff up any tracks that have potential for any water to run into any streams. This unit has two main streams with two R-ELZ'S and lots of ELZ'S that we will cut and log accordingly
4. What will be done to prevent serious ground disturbance and drainage alterations on HLHL?

Potentially sensitive areas were walked prior to tethering. The areas of concern we found will be hand cut and equipment keep out of these areas
5. What soil disturbance conditions would trigger the modification of the operation?

Excessive rutting, incurring seeps or springs, unstable slopes

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| Operator: | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| | print | signature | date |
| Landowner: | Scott Emmert | _____ | 7/10/24 |
| | print | signature | date |
| ODF: | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| | print | signature | date |

Approved? ___ Yes ___ No Date _____

Fully implementing this Plan for an Alternate Practice will likely achieve the FPA resource protection standards. The operation will be evaluated on the basis of how well this approved Plan for an Alternate Practice is implemented and how well required resource protection is achieved.

Comments:

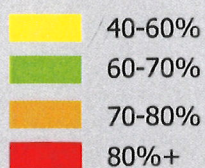
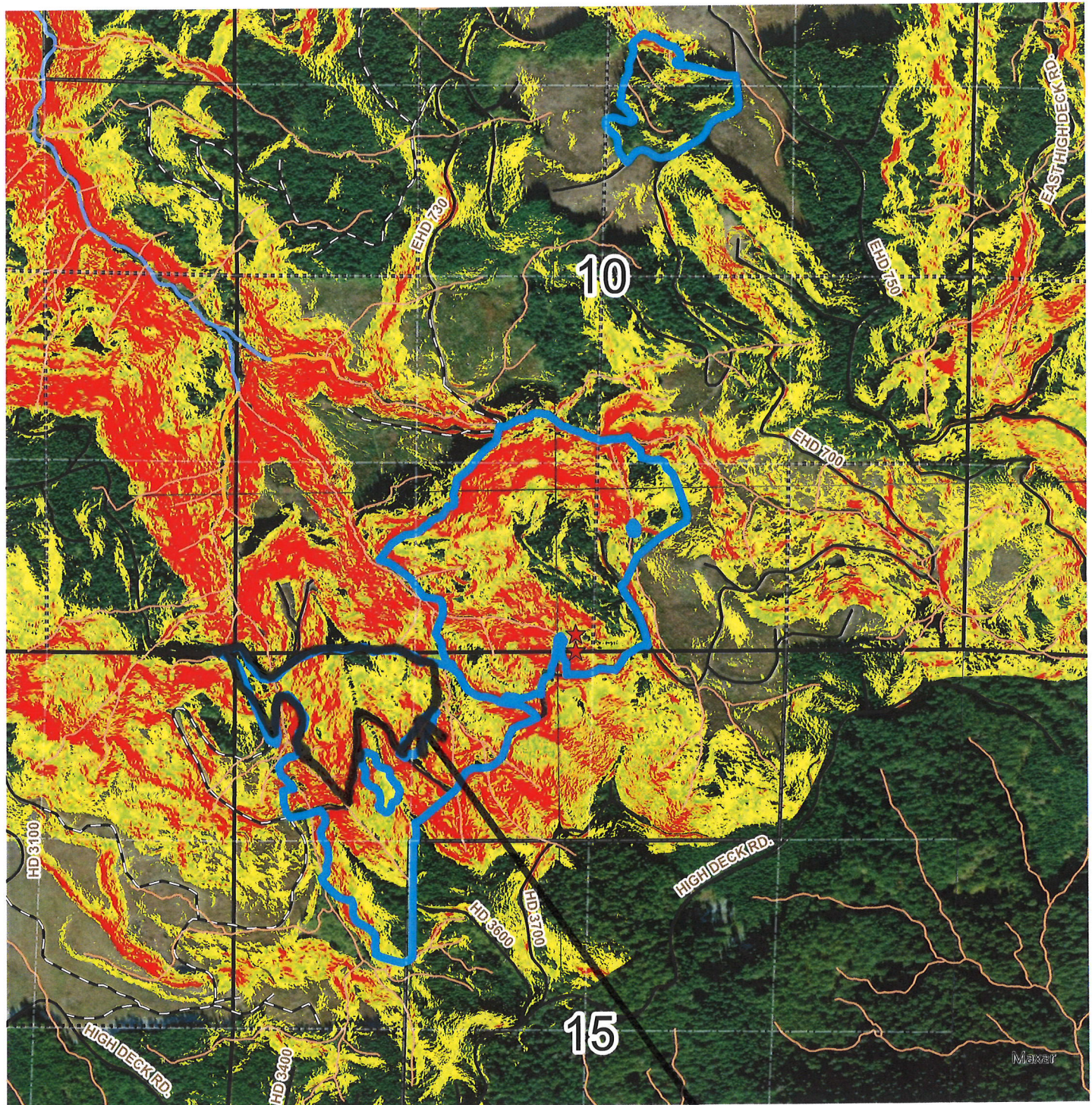
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RUMBAUGH TOP

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T13S R3E Sections 10 & 15

Slope Map



This area will be Tether
Cut. The rest hand or
machine without tether.



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1 inch = 1,000 feet

Cascade Timber Consulting, Inc.

Surveyed by AV, EH, KL, JM
9/13/23 & 2/13/24

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SWEET HOME, OREGON 97386

February 13, 2024

Steve Kendall
Stewardship Forester
ODF
Sweet Home, OR 97386

Re: Written Plan for the **RUMBAUGH TOP** Sale

Operator: Rick Dennis Logging (RDL)

Landowner: Timber Service Company

Timber Owner: Hill Timber Limited Partnership - Cascade Timber Consulting, Inc. - Agent

Operation: Clearcut Logging

Operating Dates: Cutting to commence approximately February 27th, 2024 with all logs to be removed by December 31, 2024.

Condition Requiring a Written Plan:

- A.) There is a modeled **Designated Sediment Source Area (DSSA)** within the harvest unit that was chosen as a **Slope Retention Area (SRA)**. This 0.6 acre DSSA does **not** contain a Trigger Source but was selected as an SRA because it is the only DSSA within the unit. If necessary, cable logging skyline and working lines will be located through the SRA.

See attached Written Plan Map

Written Plan and Operational Goals: Retain trees and vegetative characteristics within the SRA to ensure future delivery of woody debris to fish streams via landslides.

Operation Specifications:

- A.) It will be necessary to cut 1 yarding corridor and attach the cable logging skyline and other working lines to tailholds within the SRA to ensure safe and effective logging for the rest of the unit and to achieve adequate deflection. All trees cut within the SRA corridors will remain in the SRA or if needed will be yarded to the landing for worker safety. These logs will not be hauled offsite.

If this plan meets with your approval, please sign and return the original.

Sincerely,



Austin Voltin
Cascade Timber Consulting, Inc.

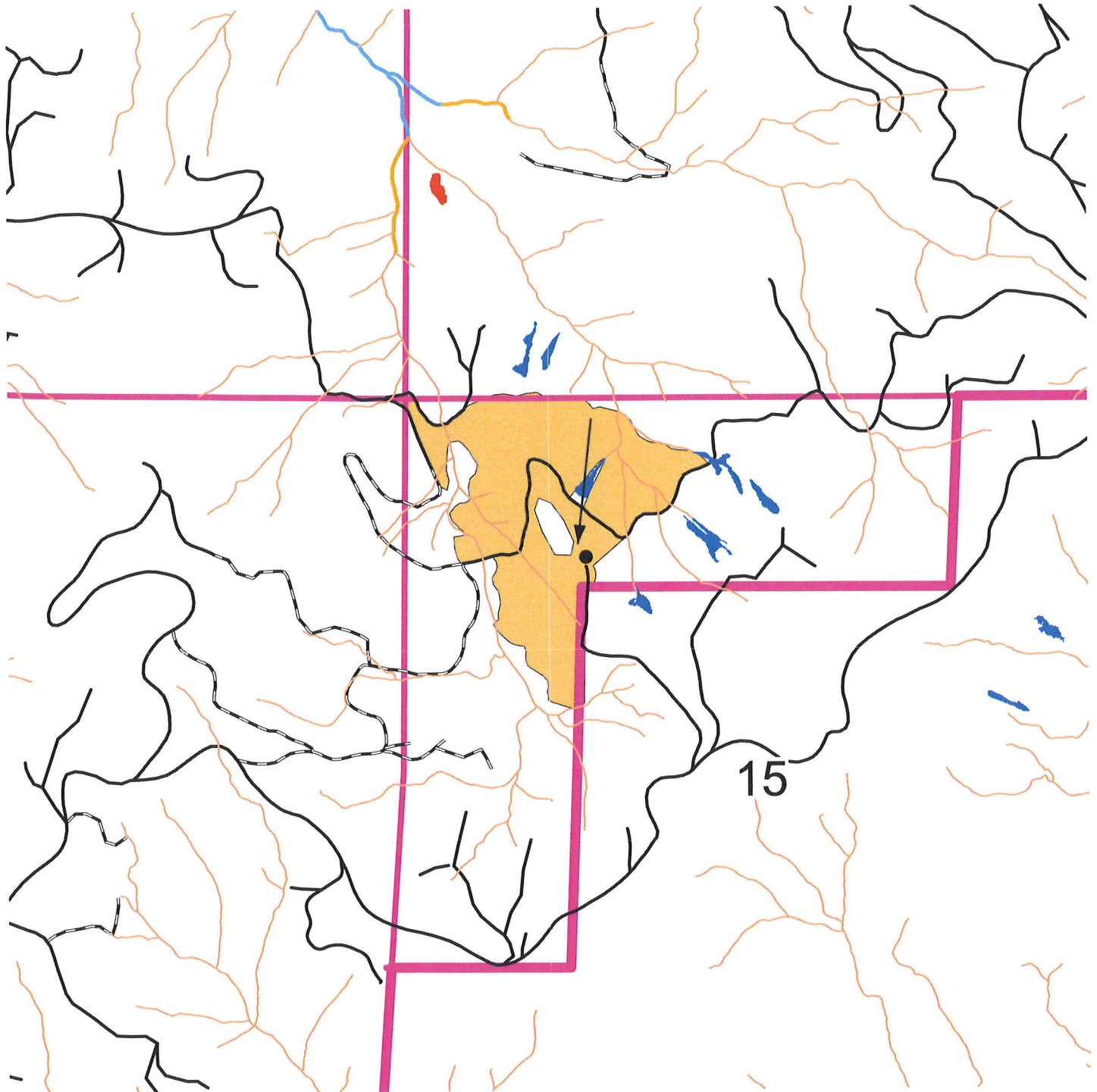
Acknowledged _____, 2024

By _____
Steve Kendall

RUMBAUGH TOP

Written Plan Map

T13S R3E Section 15



Stream Type

— FISH LARGE

— FISH MEDIUM

— FISH SMALL

— NON FISH LARGE

— NON FISH MEDIUM

— NON FISH SMALL

—→ Approximate yarding corridor location



1 inch = 1,000 feet

EHD 700
STREAM SURVEY POINTS

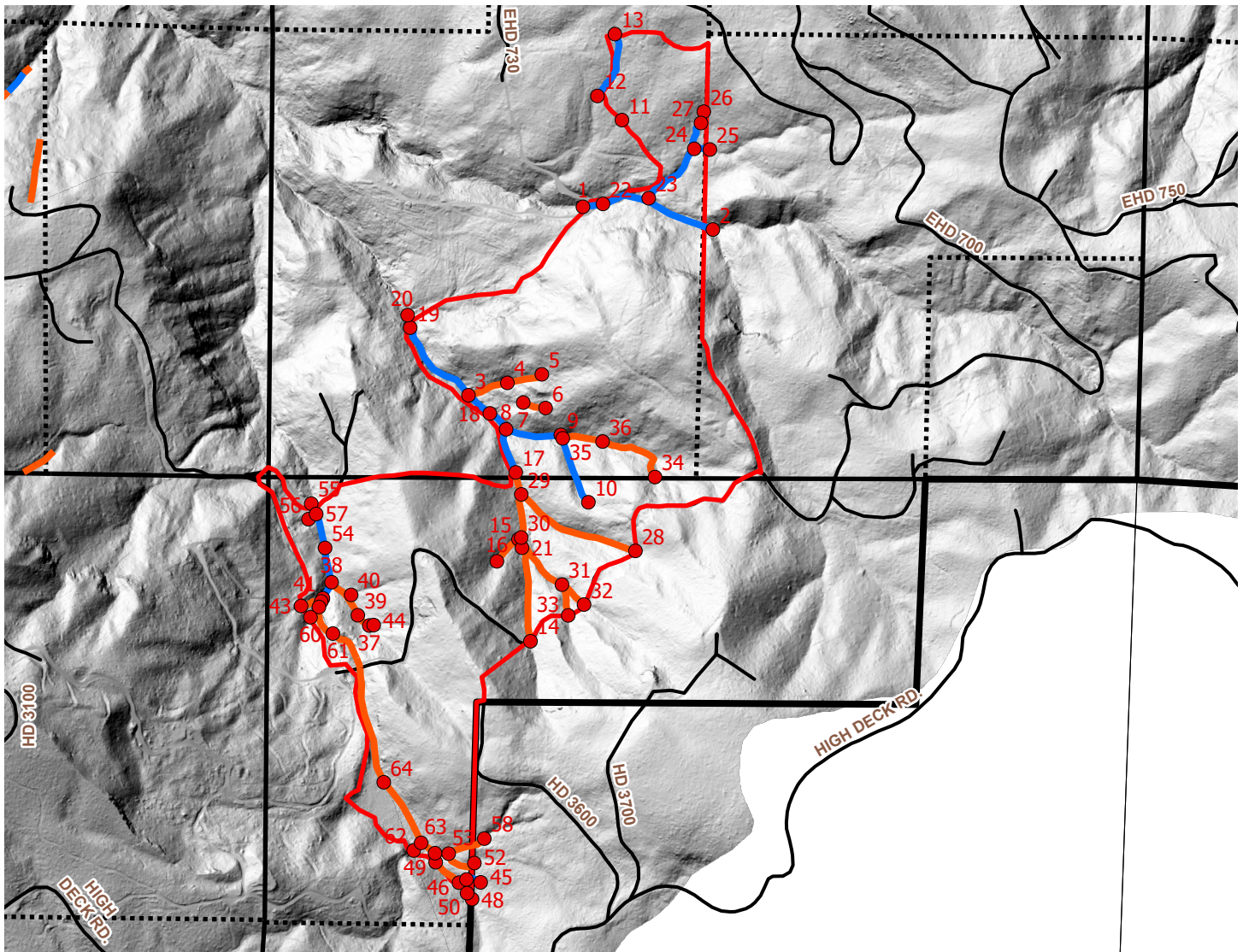
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| 1 | Start | -122.4347 | 44.4499 | T2.0 start of survey, flowing |
| 2 | End | -122.4318 | 44.4496 | T2.0 end of survey, channel and flow continue |
| 3 | TJ3.1/FFE | -122.4372 | 44.4468 | T3.1 start of survey, dry channel |
| 4 | AOI | -122.4363 | 44.4470 | T3.1 area of inquiry, dry channel |
| 5 | CIP | -122.4356 | 44.4472 | T3.1 end of dry channel |
| 6 | CIP | -122.4355 | 44.4467 | T4.0 end of dry channel |
| 7 | Start | -122.4360 | 44.4468 | T4.0 start of dry channel |
| 8 | TJ3.2 | -122.4363 | 44.4463 | T3.2 start of survey |
| 9 | TJ3.2.1 | -122.4351 | 44.4462 | T3.2.1 start of channel, flowing |
| 10 | CIP | -122.4345 | 44.4452 | T3.2.1 end of flowing channel |
| 11 | NC | -122.4339 | 44.4513 | No Channel. |
| 12 | T 1.0 | -122.4345 | 44.4516 | Start/ Flow |
| 13 | EOS | -122.4341 | 44.4526 | T 1.0 End of survey. Flowing |
| 14 | EOS | -122.4357 | 44.4430 | T 3.0 End of survey. Dry |
| 15 | TJ 3.5 | -122.436 | 44.4446 | Start. Dry |
| 16 | CIP | -122.4365 | 44.4442 | TJ 3.5 End of channel. |
| 17 | FFE | -122.4361 | 44.4456 | T 3.0 End of flow |
| 18 | NC | -122.4367 | 44.4466 | NC |
| 19 | T 3.0 | -122.4385 | 44.4479 | Start. Flowing. Outside of unit |
| 20 | NC | -122.4386 | 44.4481 | No channel. |
| 21 | AOI | -122.4359 | 44.4444 | T 3.0 |
| 22 | NC | -122.4343 | 44.4499 | PotentialChannel,but whole channel is outside unit |
| 23 | TJ2.1 | -122.4333 | 44.45 | Flowing |
| 24 | TJ2.1.1 | -122.4323 | 44.4508 | Flowing |
| 25 | EOS | -122.432 | 44.4508 | T2.1, trickling channel continues |
| 26 | AOI/CIP | -122.4321 | 44.4514 | T2.1.1 |
| 27 | FFE | -122.4322 | 44.4513 | T2.1.1 |
| 28 | EOS | -122.4334 | 44.4444 | T3.3, dry |
| 29 | TJ3.3 | -122.436 | 44.4453 | Dry |
| 30 | TJ3.4 | -122.4359 | 44.4446 | Dry |
| 31 | TJ3.4.1 | -122.435 | 44.4439 | Dry |
| 32 | EOS | -122.4345 | 44.4436 | T3.4, dry channel continues, end of survey |
| 33 | EOS | -122.4348 | 44.4434 | T3.4.1 dry channel continues, end of survey |
| 34 | AOI/CIP | -122.433 | 44.4456 | T3.2 |
| 35 | FFE | -122.4351 | 44.4462 | T3.3 |
| 36 | AOI | -122.4342 | 44.4462 | T3.2 |
| 37 | CIP | -122.4392 | 44.4432 | T5.2 end of channel, no flow |
| 38 | TJ5.2/FFE | -122.4401 | 44.4438 | T5.2 start of survey, no flow |
| 39 | AOI | -122.4395 | 44.4433 | T5.2 area of inquiry, dry channel |
| 40 | NC | -122.4397 | 44.4436 | No channel |
| 41 | FFE | -122.4403 | 44.4436 | T5.0 end of flow channel continues |
| 42 | TJ5.3/FFE | -122.4403 | 44.4435 | T5.3 start of survey, dry channel |
| 43 | End/CIP | -122.4408 | 44.4434 | T5.3 end survey, no continuing channel, dry |
| 44 | NC | -122.4391 | 44.4432 | No channel |
| 45 | End | -122.4366 | 44.4391 | T5.6.1 end of survey, channel continues with flow |
| 46 | TJ5.6.1 | -122.4371 | 44.4391 | T5.6.1 start of survey, dry |
| 47 | Flow | -122.437 | 44.4391 | T5.6.1 start of flow |
| 48 | End | -122.4368 | 44.4388 | T5.6 end of survey, dry channel continues, |
| 49 | FFE | -122.4377 | 44.4394 | T5.6 end of flow, channel continues |
| 50 | AOI | -122.4369 | 44.4389 | T5.6 area of inquiry, dry channel |
| 51 | TJ5.6 | -122.4377 | 44.4396 | T5.6 start of survey, flowing |

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|----|--------|-----------|---------|--|
| 52 | End | -122.4368 | 44.4394 | T5.7 end of survey, dry channel continues |
| 53 | TJ5.7 | -122.4374 | 44.4396 | T5.7 start of survey, no flow |
| 54 | NC | -122.4403 | 44.4444 | No channel. |
| 55 | Start | -122.4406 | 44.4451 | T 5.0 start of survey. Flowing |
| 56 | CIP | -122.4407 | 44.4448 | TJ 5.1 End of dry channel. |
| 57 | TJ 5.1 | -122.4405 | 44.4449 | Start. Dry |
| 58 | EOS | -122.4366 | 44.4398 | T 5.0 End of survey. Dry |
| 59 | TJ5.4 | -122.4404 | 44.4434 | Dry |
| 60 | EOS | -122.4406 | 44.4433 | T5.4, end of survey, dry channel continues |
| 61 | AOI | -122.44 | 44.443 | T5.0 |
| 62 | EOS | -122.4381 | 44.4396 | T5.5, dry channel leaves unit |
| 63 | TJ5.5 | -122.438 | 44.4397 | Dry |
| 64 | NC | -122.4388 | 44.4407 | Wet area, but no channel present |

EHD 700 CA

T13S, R3E, Section 10 & 15

SURVEY DETAIL



COMMENTS

See attached table for survey point details.

TJ: Tributary Junction
AOI: Area of Inquiry
CIP: Channel Initiation Point
FFE: Flow Feature Extent
NC: No Channel

Legend

- Survey Point
- Small non-fish, perennial
- Small non-fish, seasonal



1 inch = 950 feet

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Department of Forestry

South Cascade District

Sweet Home Unit

4690 Highway 20

Sweet Home, OR 97386

541-401-4933

July 3, 2025

RE: Letter of support for RDL Northwest operator of the year nomination

It is my pleasure to write this letter of support for an operator of the year nomination for RDL Northwest. Rick the owner/ operator has been in the business for a long time and has demonstrated consistency with a strong commitment to quality logging practices and attention to Oregon's Forestry rules and regulations. I have worked with Rick on many projects over the last ten years mostly with clearcut harvest operations.

There have been many instances where Rick chose a method of harvesting where it may not have been the fastest or cheapest way to get wood to the landing but was better for resource protection. When questions or concerns about protected resources or challenging areas come up Rick reaches out to the landowner and ODF stewardship foresters to come up with solutions that result in excellent resource protection.

In addition, RDL has assisted ODF with multiple wildland fires including initial attack over the years and has an excellent record of compliance with state fire regulations.

I appreciate Rick's attention to detail and commitment to adhering to or exceeding Oregon's forest practices rules. I support the nomination of 2025 operator of the year for Northwest Oregon Area.

Jerrin Robbins

Stewardship Forester
Oregon Department of Forestry
South Cascade District
Sweet Home Unit

STOP #2

EMERALD VALLEY THINNING

NW Oregon Regional Forest Practices Committee

Operator of the Year Tour – October 29th, 2025



OPTIONAL RATING FORM
OPERATOR RECOGNITION
OPERATOR OF THE YEAR

| CRITERIA | POINTS POSSIBLE | SCORE |
|-------------------------|-----------------|-------|
| CONSISTENCY | 20 | |
| DIFFICULTY | 15 | |
| CONCERN FOR RESOURCE | 20 | |
| INNOVATION/EFFORT | 15 | |
| RESULTS | 30 | |
| TOTAL SCORE | | |



2025 Operator Recognition Program – Nomination Form

AWARD CATEGORY: ***Operator of the Year / Merit Award***

REGION (NW/SW/East): NW

DISTRICT:

NOMINATED BY: Justin Helgren

OPERATOR INFORMATION AND MAILING ADDRESS:

Operator Company Name: Emerald Valley Thinning
Company Address: 23701 Pearson Pl, Philomath, OR, 97370
Company Phone No. 541-929-5035
Company Email: oregonlogger54@gmail.com
Company Primary Contact Name (Owner): Travis Smouse
Contact Cell Phone No. 541-760-6194
Contacts Email: oregonlogger54@gmail.com

Operation Information (Operation as example of work with RFPC tour)

Activities: Harvest (X) Site Prep () Reforestation () Road Construction ()
Stand Management () Other () _____

Date of Operation: 4-15-2025 - Current

NOAP No. 2025-781-01397

Location of Operation (Legal Desc & Landmark): 19S07W16

General Description of Operation: Cable Harvest Unit

What were the protected resources involved and efforts involved:

M/SSBT, S/SSBT, S/Np, DDFTA, DSSA

The use of lift trees, additional bucking, and a bar saw allowed the RMA to be protected.

Criteria of Award Nomination

Describe Operator's **Consistency** in performance over the years (use examples):

Emerald Valley Thinning (EVT) has performed above and beyond the normal scope of operators working on this tree farm. With this unit and others, they have taken on an incredible amount of risk as they have helped us salvage wood from the 2023 ice storm. They continually work hard to provide a consistent product whether it be through log quality or resource protection on the unit's they are operating on. They have been one of my top choices to operate on units that have any sort of difficulty or are in the public's viewshed.

Describe the **Difficulty** and complexity of the operation nominated as well as past operations in regards to protection of forest resources:

The difficulty with this unit was they were unable to log it to the road at the top of this unit. This road contains a portion of it that is approximately 45%. Working with Travis we looked at multiple options on how to log this unit. Ultimately, we concluded that flying it across Burntwood Creek and through a BLM Wedge was the best option. The portion flown across Burntwood Creek had minimal lift over the buffer and certain considerations had to be made by the crew in order to protect this resource. This operation as well as other salvage units in the past has tested EVT's ingenuity and resourcefulness and shows their commitment to protecting valuable resources.

Describe how the operator was **Innovative/Extra Efforts** (including matching equipment to the job) or used extra effort on this operation and then Past Operations:

EVT used their experience in cable logging to lay out and successfully log the downhill portions without causing resource disturbance. This was done in a collaborative effort between the crew, hooktender, and cutting contractor. They also brought in a bar saw to fall the trees on the east side of Burntwood Creek to ensure even further protection of the RMA.

Describe **Results** in resource protection and forest management benefits:

The resources described previously have been protected and had minimal damage.

Describe the **Financial Risk assumed by the operator** as well as how much influence the landowner had on this operation:

The financial risk for the operator was high. Looking at this unit with Travis, we both were not sure if some portions of it would be possible to log without using the equipment access spur on the top. This alongside with the risk of running a haul back during fire season has created a large risk for the operator.

OTHER INFO that should be known for consideration to help form a solid picture of your nominee:

Landowner of Operation listed above:

Agency/Company: Roseburg Resources
Contact Name: Justin Helgren
Title: Contract Logging Supervisor II
Email: Justin.Helgren@rfpco.com
Phone No. 541-214-5208

Nominator(s):

Agency/Company: Roseburg Resources
Contact Name: Justin Helgren
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Email: Justin.Helgren@rfpco.com
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Name:
Agency/Company:
Title:
Email:
Phone No. ()

Please Attach if Available (for the selected demonstration operation) or other overall information for operators history and experiences:

- *NOAP*
- *Written Plan/PFAP*
- *Location Map*
- *Operation Map*
- *Aerial Photo*
- *Photographs of operation/activities/efforts/etc.*
- *Letters of Reference/Support*
- *Any additional documents to support nomination*
 - *Other landowners*
 - *Other agencies involved with the nominee on projects*
 - *Other ODF staff*
 - *Neighbors/community (ie. Mayor of city or neighbors next to op that have input, etc.)*

Nominations are due no later than Wednesday June 25th, 2025.

Please email nominations to: ooynominations@odf.oregon.gov



NOTIFICATION OF OPERATIONS/PERMIT TO OPERATE POWER-DRIVEN MACHINERY (NOAP)

Notification Number: 2025-781-01397
Operation Name: West Burntwood #3470



This NOAP includes the following for the lands described in the NOAP:

- The notifier has given notice to the State Forester that an operation will be conducted.
- The Oregon Department of Forestry or local Forest Protective Association has issued a permit to use fire or operate power-driven machinery.
- ***Before you use fire, contact the local office of the Oregon Department of Forestry or Forest Protective Association to see if additional burn permit and/or Smoke Management Program regulations apply.***
- The notifier has given notice to the State Forester and the Department of Revenue of the intent to harvest timber.
- The Operator must report on all activities on this NOAP by December 31 of the NOAP's Activity year unless a continuation has been issued. Continued NOAPs must be reported by the end of the following year.

Person Submitting the NOAP: RRC Operations
Date NOAP Submitted: January 30, 2025
Report Generated: January 30, 2025
Landowner Status: The Landowner is not a Small Forestland Owner

Waiting Period

You must wait at least 15 days after successful submittal of this NOAP before starting the activities in the NOAP (see OAR 629-605-0150(1)). You may ask the ODF Forester to waive this 15-day waiting period, ***but you must wait the full 15 days unless the ODF Forester notifies you that you may start sooner.***

Oregon Department of Forestry Contact Info

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87950 Territorial Hwy
Veneta, Oregon 97487
Phone: (541) 999-0063
ODF Forester: James Hynes-Petty
Email: james.t.hynes-petty@odf.oregon.gov

Operator's Fire Emergency Contact

Contact Name: Justin Helgren
Phone: 541-214-5208

| Landowner(s) | Notice to Landowner(s) |
|---|--|
| Roseburg Resources Company PO Box 288 Dillard, Oregon 97432 (541) 679-3311 | Reforestation may be required after timber harvesting. The Oregon Department of Forestry may conduct on-site inspections for compliance with forest practice and fire protection laws. Land use conversion to non-forest use is subject to other state and local regulations, which may affect use or development of a site. |
| Timber Owner | Notice to Timber Owner |
| Roseburg Resources Company PO Box 288 Dillard, Oregon 97432 (541) 679-3311 | If timber is harvested, the party owning the timber at the point it is first measured is responsible for payment of Oregon timber taxes. |

Written Plans

A Written Plan (in addition to this NOAP) is required before operation activities can begin near the protected resources listed with the Unit information or Site Conditions below or otherwise described to you by the ODF Forester ([OAR 629-605-0170](#) (2), (3), and (5)). The Written Plan must describe in detail how the resource(s) will be protected during the operation. There is a waiting period for Written Plans that is separate from the notification waiting period. Contact your ODF Forester for more information.

Site Conditions (reported by the Notifier)

Stream within 100 feet of area.

Notices

Submitting this Notification of operations on lands described in the NOAP constitutes consent for Department staff to access the property to ensure compliance with state law and rules governing forest practices through on-site inspections. The landowner must notify the ODF forester to withdraw this consent.

Permission from Landowner and Timber Owner Required for Operators, purchasers, contractors, general public: Submitting this notification does *not* give permission for operators, purchasers, contractors, or the general public to enter someone else's land or remove forest products. Anyone doing so must first obtain permission from the landowner and timber owner.

Pesticide Use: Pesticide users must follow all pesticide product label requirements, including any that prohibit applications near or into streams or other water bodies! Pesticide users must be sure the label that comes with the pesticide product allows the planned use! Contact the Oregon Department of Agriculture [here](#) or at 503-986-4635 for information on allowed uses of pesticide products.

Operations Near Utility Lines: If you are conducting timber harvesting or road construction within 100 feet of overhead utility lines contact the local utility in accordance with ORS 757.805 - Oregon's Overhead Safety Act and OAR 437-007-0230 - Power Line Safeguards. Identification tags are located on each pole.

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Using Water for Pesticides or Slash Burning: If you plan to use on-site water (water from a stream, for example) to mix pesticides or for slash burning, you must provide a copy of this NOAP to the local offices of the Oregon Water Resources Department and the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (see ORS 537.141).

Registrants & Subscribers: There may be registrants and/or subscribers who receive this Notification. See the Notification Summary page within the E-Notification system or contact ODF for more details.

NOAP Changes: The notifier must inform the Oregon Department of Forestry of any changes in a NOAP before the activity takes place. A new NOAP may be required.

Protection of Cultural Resources: Under ORS 358.920 a person may not excavate, injure, destroy or alter an archaeological site or object or remove an archaeological object located on public or private lands in Oregon unless that activity is authorized by a permit issued under ORS 390.235. ORS 390.235 (5) exempts forestry operations on private lands from the permit requirement unless the site contains human remains, funerary objects and objects of cultural patrimony, or objects associated with a prehistoric Indian tribal culture. This exemption does not impact the applicability of the remainder of Oregon's cultural resource laws (ORS 97.740 – 97.994, 358.905 – 358.961, and 390.235 – 390.240). If human remains are encountered ORS 358.920 and ORS 97.745 require all excavation to stop and the find be reported to the landowner, the state police, the State Historic Preservation Officer and the Commission on Indian Services. ODF Staff cannot provide cultural resource advice or guidance, and landowners are encouraged to contact the State Historic Preservation Office [here](#) or at 503-986-0690.

Unit 1 of 1: West Burntwood

85.7 acres Lane County(s)

T19S R7W Sec16

Regulated Use Area: WT-1

| | | |
|--|---|---|
| Operator: Travis Smouse Emerald Valley Thinning P.O. Box 700 Philomath , Oregon 97370 (541) 760-6194 | Activity: Salvage Start: 2/14/2025 End: 12/31/2025 Completion Status: Open | Method(s): Cable Quantity: 1955.00 MBF |
| Operator: RRC Forestry Roseburg Resources Co PO Box 288 Dillard, Oregon 97432 (541) 679-3311 | Activity: Treatment of Slash Start: 2/15/2025 End: 12/31/2025 Completion Status: Open | Method(s): Burning - piles |

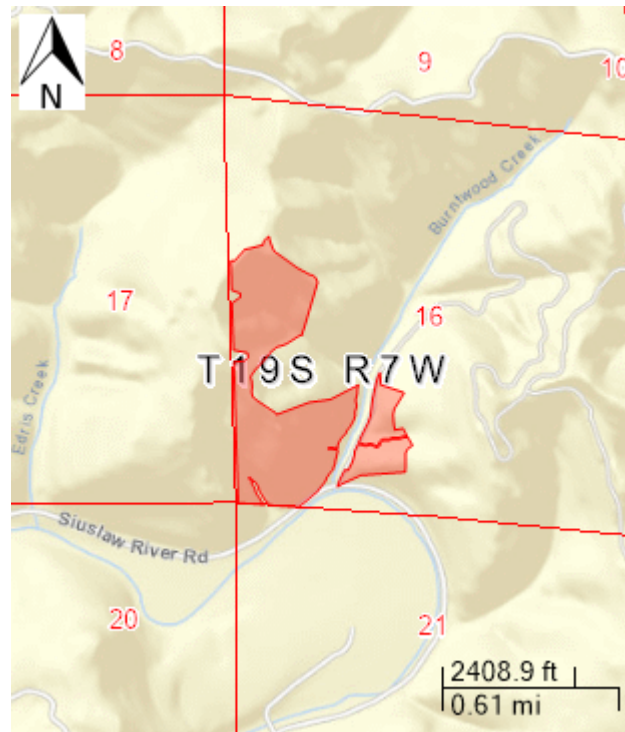
Resources on or near this Unit

| Statutory Written Plan required within 100 feet of | Statutory Written Plan required within 300 feet of |
|---|---|
| Burntwood Creek: Medium - Type F Stream | |
| Burntwood Creek: Small - Type F Stream | |
| Siuslaw River: Large - Type F Stream | |
| Burntwood Creek: Medium - SSBT Stream | |
| Burntwood Creek: Small - SSBT Stream | |
| Siuslaw River: Large - SSBT Stream | |

Notes:

1. A statutory written plan is required for operations within *300 feet* of Estuarine or Marine Wetlands, not 100 feet as may be shown above.
2. Contact your ODF Forester about streams not shown on the map.

Unit Map: West Burntwood





NOTIFICATION OF OPERATIONS/PERMIT TO OPERATE POWER-DRIVEN MACHINERY (NOAP)



Notification Number: 2025-781-01398

Operation Name: West Burntwood BLM
Tramway

This NOAP includes the following for the lands described in the NOAP:

- The notifier has given notice to the State Forester that an operation will be conducted.
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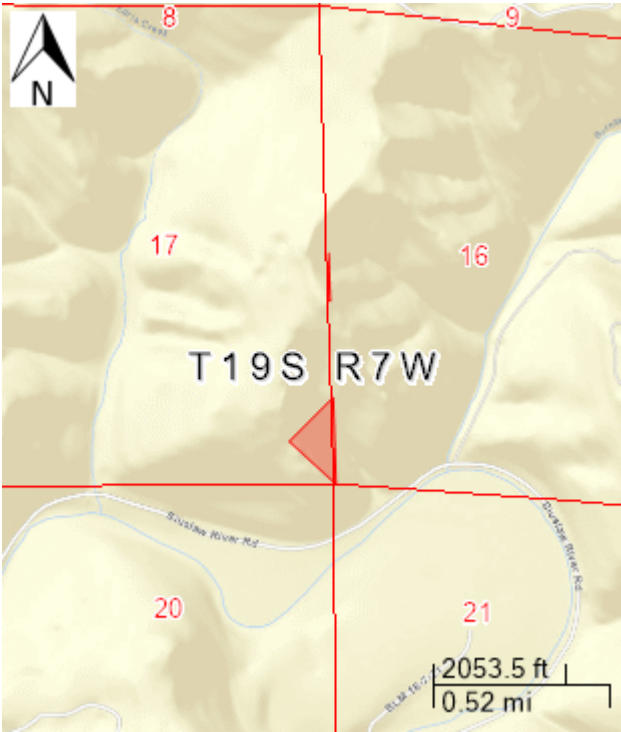
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Unit 1 of 1: West Burntwood BLM Tramway

5.8 acres Lane County(s) T19S R7W Sec17,T19S R7W Sec16 Regulated Use Area: WT-1

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|--|---|--|
| Operator: RRC Forestry Roseburg Resources Co PO Box 288 Dillard, Oregon 97432 (541) 679-3311 | Activity: Treatment of Slash Start: 2/22/2025 End: 12/31/2025 Completion Status: Open | Method(s): Burning - piles |
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Unit Map: West Burntwood BLM Tramway





Date: January 30, 2025

State of Oregon
Department of
Forestry

Harvest Unit: West Burntwood #3470

This is a **written plan for West Burntwood #3470**. It addresses cutting & yarding activities in the vicinity of **Burntwood** Creek its tributaries or the location and selection of DSSA's/SRA's.

Streams OAR 629-643-0100

This area will be subject to an Alternative Vegetation Retention Prescription described in 629-643-0300 due to a catastrophic event that occurred and resulted in substantial damage to these riparian areas. As a result, portions of the Small NP Streams RH Max RMA will be harvested to achieve desired future conditions. Using this prescription, we will to the best of our ability harvest only portions of trees that are outside the high-water level and do not contribute to the ability of a downed tree to withstand movement during high flows.

Type F or SSBT Stream

Large and Medium

The cutting line is flagged with blue ribbon at an average distance of 110 feet from the high-water mark except in areas under plan for alternate practice. No trees will be removed within the buffered area. All qualifying trees are counted as leave trees.

Small

The cutting line is flagged with blue ribbon at an average distance of 100 feet from the high-water mark. No trees will be removed within the buffered area. All qualifying trees are counted as leave trees.

Type N Stream

Small Type Np Stream, into Type SSBT Stream

The cutting line is flagged with blue ribbon at an average distance of 10 feet from the active channel for a distance of 500 feet above the end of the SSBT or to the end of perennial flow, whichever is less. In this portion, no trees will be removed within the buffered area. All qualifying trees are counted as leave trees.

After 500 feet above the end of SSBT, the cutting line is flagged with blue ribbon at an average distance of 10 feet from active channel for a distance of 650 feet or to the end of perennial flow, whichever is less. In this portion, no trees will be removed within the buffered area. All qualifying trees are counted as leave trees.

In the case where perennial flow occurs greater than 1,150 feet from the end of SSBT an R-ELZ is applied. No ribbon is hung, please refer to the R-ELZ portion of this written plan.

Small Type Ns

An ELZ is applied. No ribbon is hung, please refer to the ELZ portion of this written plan.

Yarding; Cable Equipment Near Waters of the State *OAR 629-630-0700*

Roseburg Resource Co. operators will strive to maintain the purposes and function of vegetation required to be retained in riparian management areas and minimize disturbance to beds and banks of streams, lakes, all wetlands larger than one-quarter acre and retain vegetation during cable yarding operations.

If it's necessary, RRC may hang through the RMA to achieve adequate deflection to facilitate logging within the unit boundary. The logging contractor will maximize lateral yarding capabilities to minimize the number of logging roads that hang through the RMA. Road layouts will be re-spoiled and restrung through RMAs on each road change. Contract logger will be responsible for not removing dead and downed material within the RMAs.

In accordance with state rule, RRC operators may use cable yarding corridors through retained trees. If a corridor is chosen to be cut through the RMA all reasonable efforts will be made to pick natural openings to minimize corridor width and damage to any vegetation. Felled timber within the RMA corridors will be left unless the safety of hand fallers or the rigging crew is jeopardized. If human safety is jeopardized, felled timber within these corridors will be yarded to ensure the safety of rigging crew to stay in compliance with Oregon OSHA Section 7, Subdivision C, rule 437-007-0225 (1&2). Operators will strive to minimize damage to RMA trees. Logs and large debris (limbs, tops) that enter the stream will be removed progressively with logging operations.

Hand Falling Near Waters of the State

All timber above the RMA's perimeter will be cut subject to the following constraints. The timber above the RMA will be directionally fell along the contours of the slope and to the best lay to minimize soil disturbance and to prevent logs from sliding into the RMA. High stumps will be left where necessary to help hold logs above the RMA.

R-ELZ and ELZ *OAR 629-630-0700 (6)*

R-ELZ

Disturbance from equipment activity will be minimized within a distance of 10 feet of the active channel and all trees less than 6" DBH and shrub species will be retained where possible. Shrubs and trees less than 6" DBH may be felled to ensure the safety of hand falling personnel or rigging crew to stay in compliance with Oregon OSHA Section 7, Subdivision J, rule 437-007-0810 (9&10). If soil disturbance exceeds 20% on cable-based equipment sites or 10% on ground-based equipment sites corrective actions outlined in the guidelines will be used.

ELZ

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Slope Retention Area (SRA) & Designated Sediment Source Area (DSSA) OAR 629-630-0910

DSSA

Number of red DSSA's with trigger sources: 3

Number of blue DSSA's without trigger sources:

The total number of DSSA's are rounded up to the higher even number and divided by two to determine the number of SRA's within the harvested area. Out of these modeled DSSA's the appropriate number have been identified and flagged as SRA's in blue ribbon. In most cases DSSA's with trigger sources were selected over DSSA's without and larger DSSA's were selected over smaller. Exceptions may have been made when selection priorities would clearly reduce workers safety or cause more resource impact.

SRA

Number of red SRA's: 2

Number of blue SRA's:

Individual who marked the SRA boundaries: TO

Date of steep slopes training for marking individual: 6-15-2023

Cutting SRA's With/Without Trigger Sources

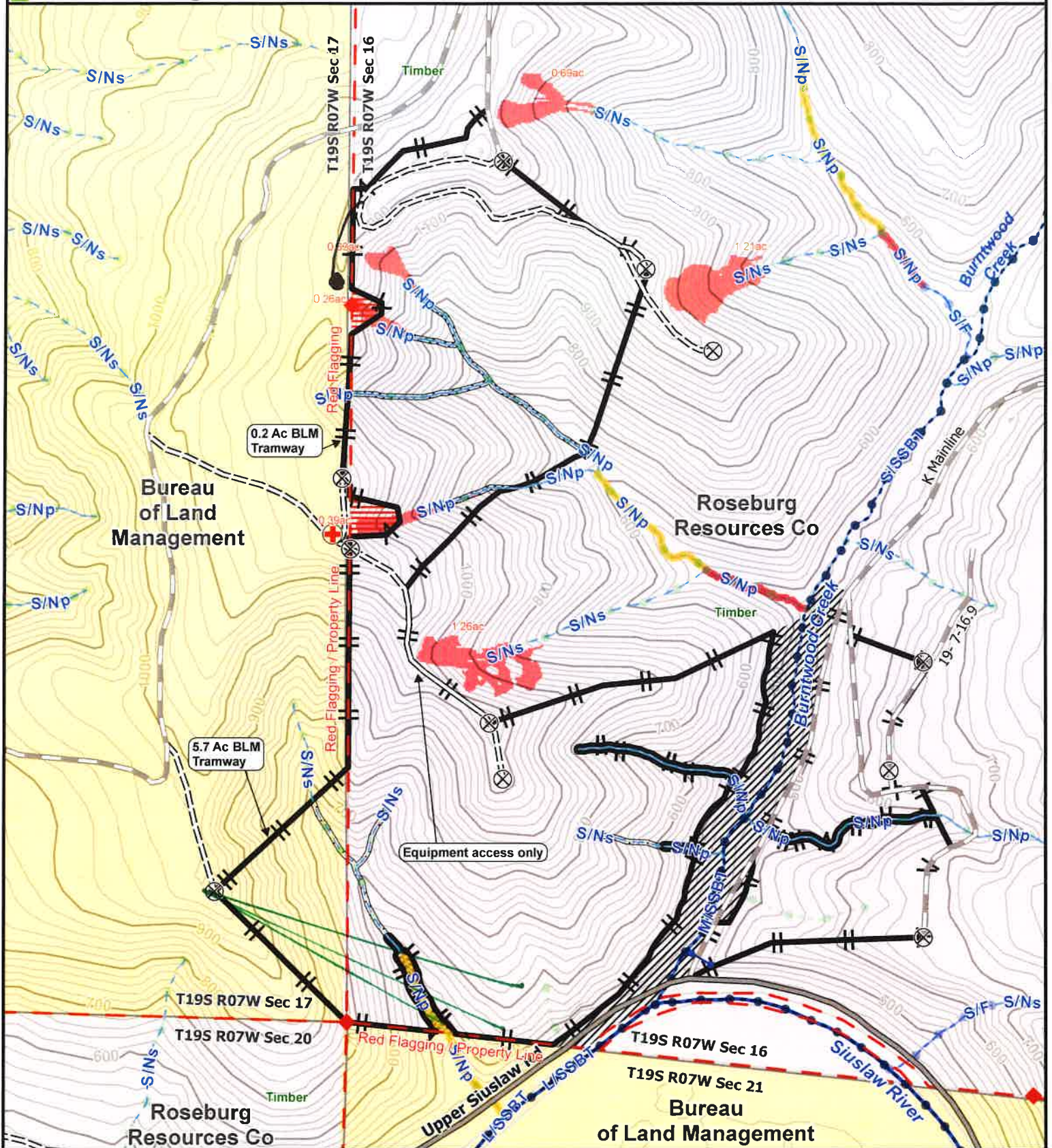
The first SRA was selected due to it being the biggest DSSA. The second SRA was selected due to logging feasibility. If the second largest DSSA was selected it would require an additional road to be constructed which would cause more damage to the area, then the selection of the other DSSA. The first SRA is approximately .53 acres the second SRA is approximately .28 acres.

Designated Debris Flow Traversal Areas (DDFTA) *OAR 629-630-0905*

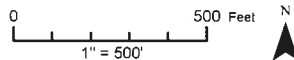
The cutting line is flagged with blue ribbon at a distance of 25 feet from either side of the active channel or center of the draw if no channel is present. All qualifying trees are counted as leave trees.

Yarding Corridors through DDFTA's

Please see the attached map showing the approximate location of cable yarding corridors through the DDFTA. Felled timber within these corridors may be yarded to ensure the safety of rigging crew to stay in compliance of Oregon OSHA Section 7, Subdivision C, rule 437-007-0225 (1&2).



Unit Name: West Burntwood
Source No: 3470
Legal: 19S07W16, 17
Unit Acres: 86



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Yarding Corridors *Possible Road*

Plan for an Alternate Practice

- Ground-based operations on Steep or Erosion Prone Slopes within 100 feet of a stream
- Ground-based operations on HLHL with No Public Safety Exposure

A. General:

1. Operator Name: Emerald Valley Thinning Contact Phone: (541) 760-6194
2. Landowner Name: Roseburg Resources Company Contact Phone: (541) 214-5208
3. Notification Number: 2025-781-01397 Operation Name: West Burntwood #3470
4. Legal Description: T. 19S R. 07W Section 16

B. Slope conditions where ground-based operations will take place:

1. Steep or Erosion-Prone Slopes or highly erodible materials?
 - a. Slopes over 60% X Yes ___ No
 - b. Slopes over 40%, where ODF determines there are highly erodible soils ___ Yes X No
2. High Landslide Hazard Locations (HLHL)? X Yes ___ No
 - a. Western Oregon, (excluding competent rock outcrops) slopes over 80%, any headwall, or draw over 70%
 - b. Tye Core Area, slopes over 75%, any headwall, or draw over 65%
 - c. Field identified by geotechnical specialist and ODF verified as equivalent to the above thresholds

C.

1. Tethered cutting (with cable yarding)? X Yes ___ No
2. Tethered cutting and tethered yarding? X Yes ___ No

D. Detailed map showing areas of concern (geo-referenced map is preferred):

1. Slope steepness displayed as slope percentage breaks.
 - a. General slope breaks: <40%; 40 to 60%; 60 to 70%; 70 to 80%; >80%
2. Contours
3. Wet areas and downslope streams, including small seasonal streams.
4. "Exclusion zones" where tethered equipment will not operate, such as slides, headwalls.
5. Tethered equipment routes and temporary roads for tethered anchor equipment.
6. Other areas of concern or operational considerations.

E. Describe practices to reduce the potential for erosion to enter waters of the state on all slopes and prevent serious ground disturbance and drainage alterations on HLHL:

1. What Forest Practice Rules will be modified?
 - a. OAR 629-630-0150(4) ground-based equipment within 100 feet of a stream channel? Yes
 - b. OAR 629-630-0500(4) ground-based equipment on HLHL? Yes
2. How will unidentified areas of concern be addressed when discovered during the operation? Operator will cease operation and contact a RRC representative for further guidance. RRC representative will contact Oregon Department of Forestry to make them aware of the situation and any areas of concern.
3. What will be done to protect stream channels and Waters of the State?

No machine activity within stream channels. Ground-based equipment will stay 35' away from the stream channel and reach in with the feller buncher to pull trees away from protected streams and Waters of the State.
4. What will be done to prevent serious ground disturbance and drainage alterations on HLHL? Travel the least amount of times up and down the slope. If rutting takes place, they will be smoothed out and waterbarred if needed to divert water from running down them. Areas of disturbance will be covered by slash.
5. What soil disturbance conditions would trigger the modification of the operation?

Excess rutting or soil impacts, such as soil liquefaction, and/or significant rainfall events.

Operator: _____
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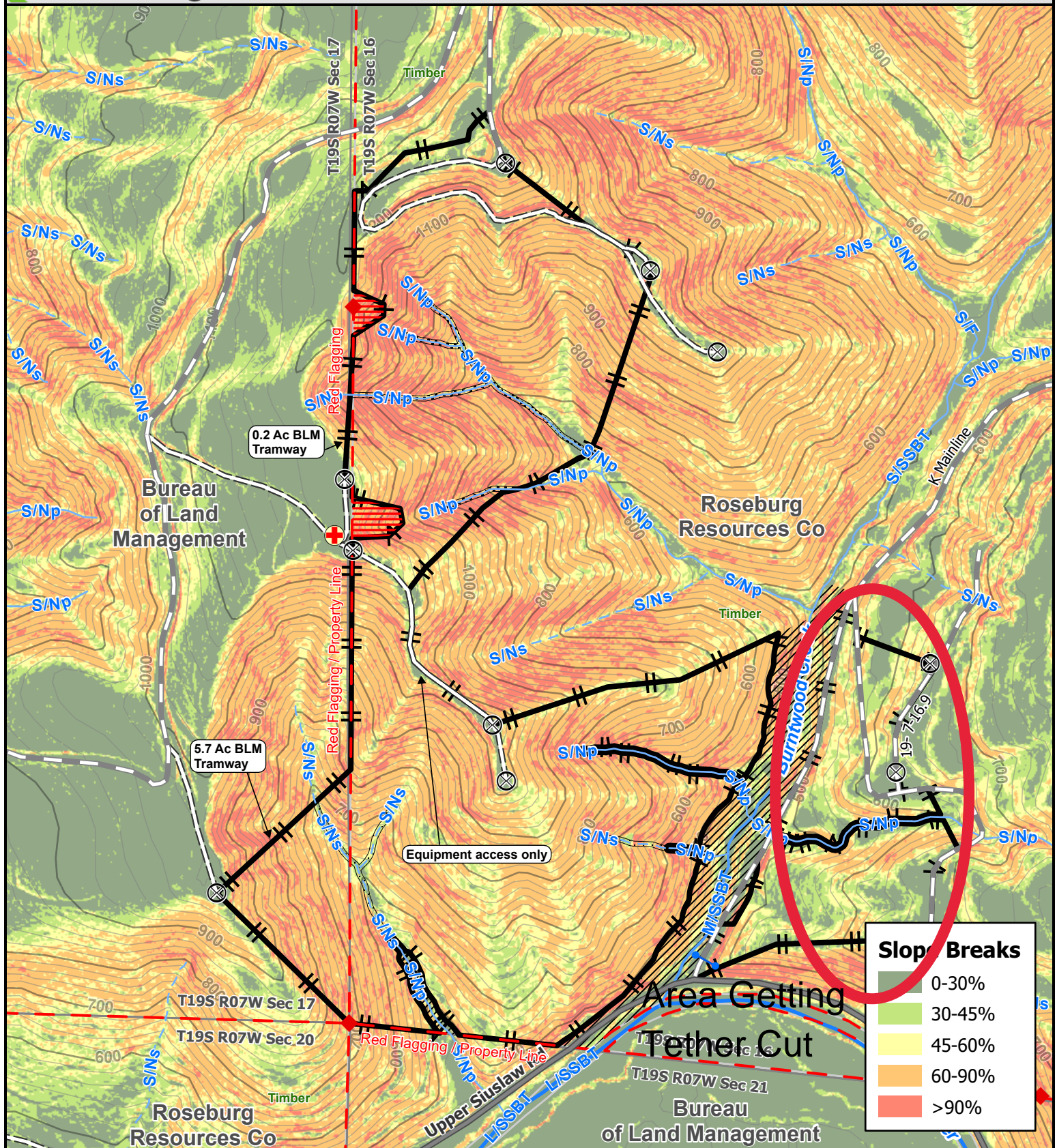
Landowner: Justin Helgren Justin Helgren 2/26/2025
print signature date

ODF: _____
print signature date

Approved? ☒ Yes ☐ No **Date** _____

Fully implementing this Plan for an Alternate Practice will likely achieve the FPA resource protection standards. The operation will be evaluated on the basis of how well this approved Plan for an Alternate Practice is implemented and how well required resource protection is achieved.

Comments:



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▨ R-ELZ, Leave Vegetation 6"- DBH (35')

⊘ Equipment Limitation Zone (35')

⊗ Landing

◆ Corners of Record

— Gate - Open to general use

— Paved

— Rocked

— Dirt

— Roseburg Ownership

0 500 Feet
1" = 500'



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Collateral Pool: Farm Credit Loan
Depletion Pool: West Coast Forest Resources

⊕ **Medical Evacuation Point**

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January 1, 2025

James Hynes-Petty
Oregon Department of Forestry

Operator / Landowner: Roseburg Resources Co.
23129 Vaughn Rd
Veneta, OR 97487

Subject: Plan for Alternate Practice 'West Burntwood Medium SSBT RMA.'
Section 16, Township 19 S. Range 07 W., W.M.

Roseburg Resources Co. would like to request approval of a plan for alternate practice to harvest conifer trees from the uphill side of the K Mainline. These trees are along Burntwood Creek and are within 110' of the stream bank. This alternate plan is in accordance with OAR 629-643-0100(8) and is located within the harvest unit 'West Burntwood' in Section 16, T. 19 S., R. 07 W., W.M. (see attached 'Exhibit A'.)

The trees on the uphill side of the road that are within the 110' RMA would create a thin strip of trees along the road that are prone to windthrow and would create a safety hazard along the mainline road. Therefore, the cutting line has been placed alongside the K Mainline. Trees within the 110' RMA on the uphill side of the K Mainline will be harvested. This will only apply to the segment of the RMA along the K Mainline.

The harvested conifer trees from within the 110' RMA are replaced with trees grouped in a more stable location along the west side of the RMA on Burntwood Creek (see 'Exhibit A'). These trees are not counted toward the per-acre leave tree requirement. The replacement trees total more basal area than the trees to be cut.

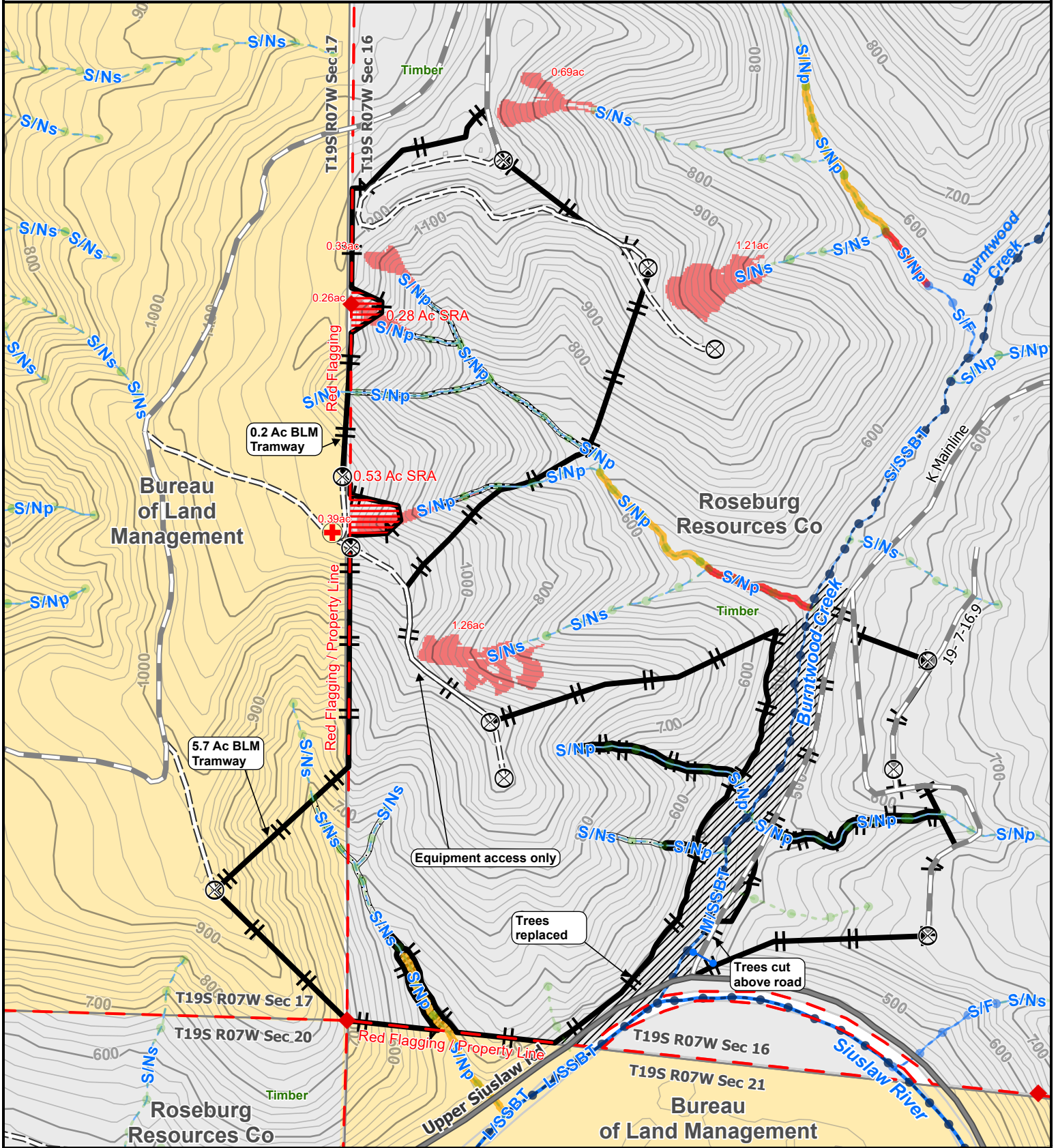
Thank you for your time and consideration of this plan for alternate practice.

Sincerely,

Encl.

- 'Exhibit A'

Torsten Ormseth
Forest Engineer I
541-679-2193 Ext. 52193
541-780-4548 (Cell)



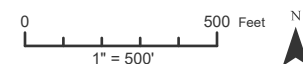
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| Wildlife Leave Tree Area | Landing | Dirt | DDFTA (Upper 20%) |
| Riparian Management Area | Corners of Record | Roseburg Ownership | SSBT (PFA) |
| Slope Retention Area Trigger | Gate - Open to general use | Bureau of Land Management | Fish (PFA) |
| R-ELZ, Leave Vegetation 6" - DBH (35') | Paved | DSSA - Trigger Source | Non-Fish (PFA) |

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Vicinity Map: West Burntwood

Directions To: West Burntwood West Landings

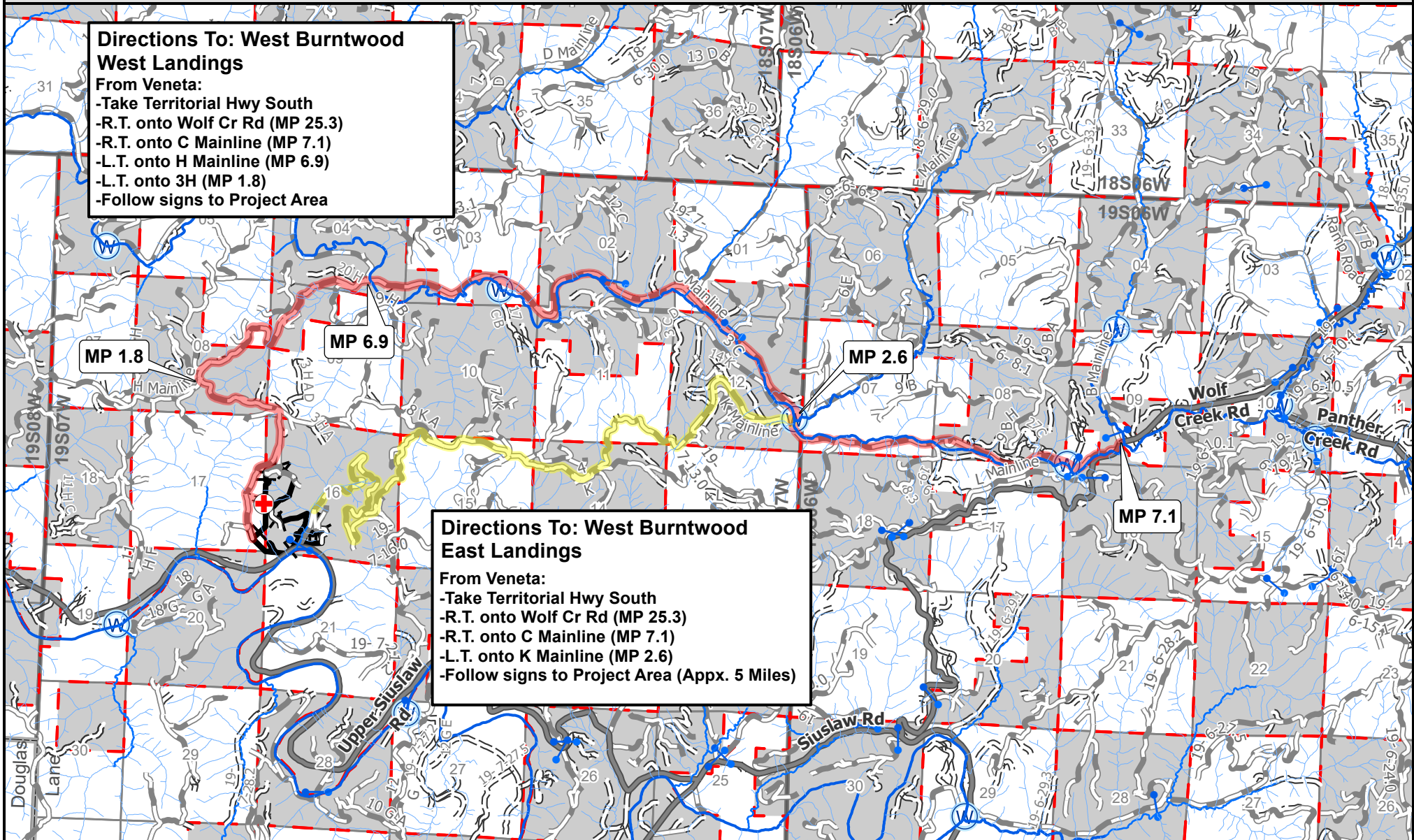
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- Take Territorial Hwy South
- R.T. onto Wolf Cr Rd (MP 25.3)
- R.T. onto C Mainline (MP 7.1)
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- L.T. onto 3H (MP 1.8)
- Follow signs to Project Area








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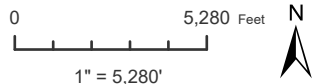
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- L.T. onto K Mainline (MP 2.6)
- Follow signs to Project Area (Appx. 5 Miles)




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|  Harvest Unit |  Paved Road |
|  Gate |  Rocked Road |
|  Waterhole |  Dirt Road |
| |  Roseburg Ownership |

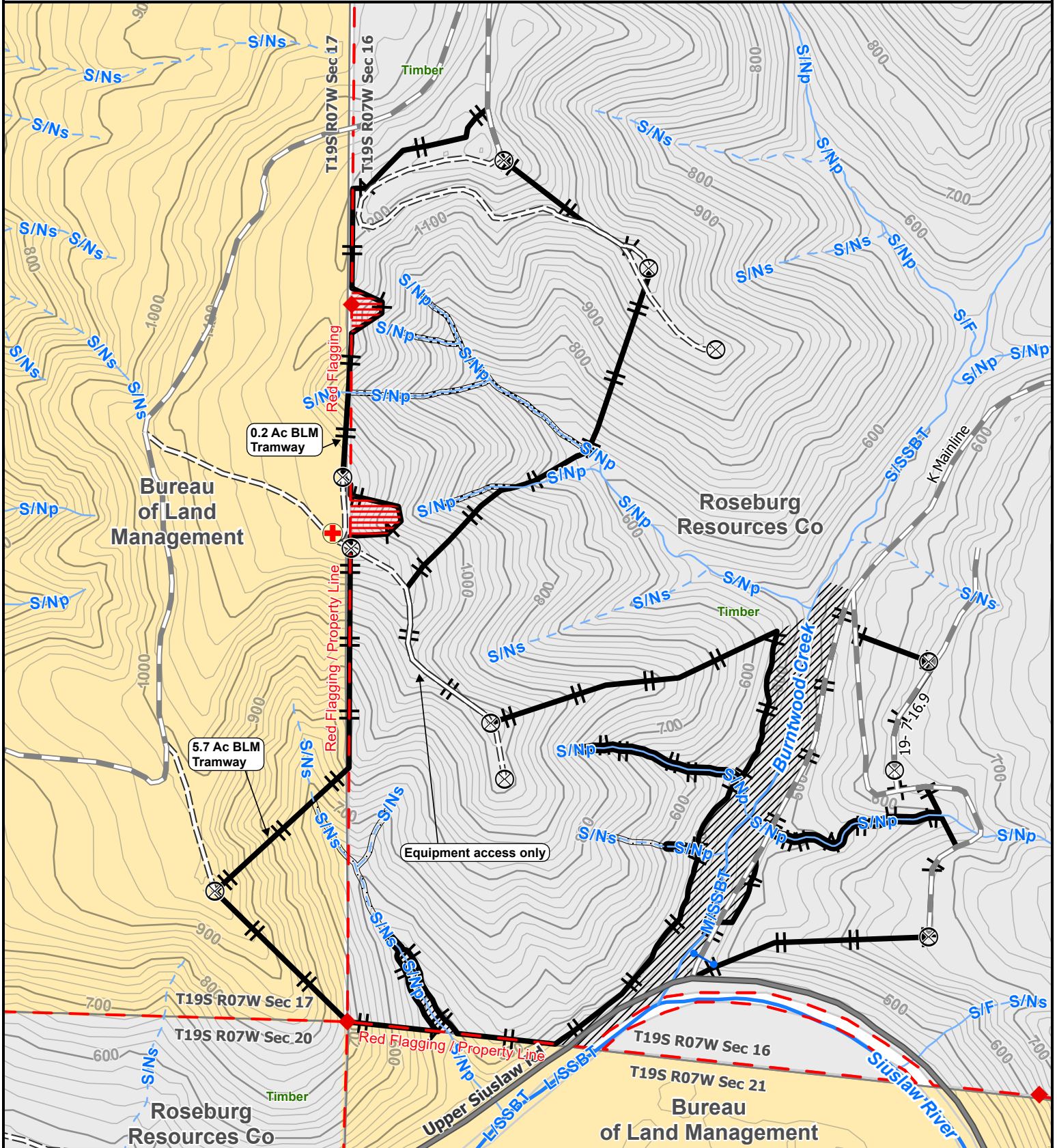


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Depletion Pool: WCR
Landowner: RRC

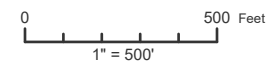
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Landing

Corners of Record

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Dirt

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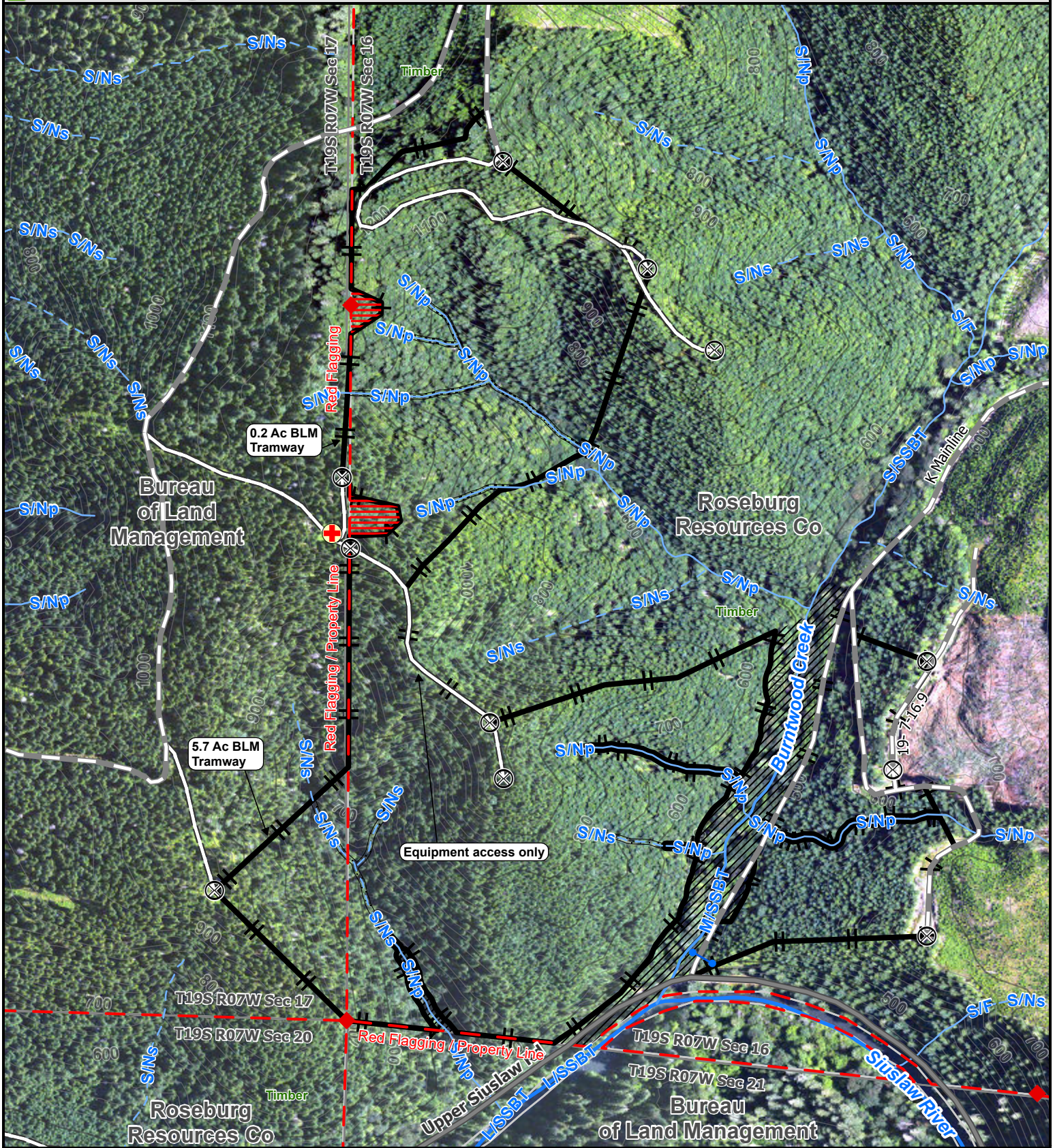
Bureau of Land Management

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STOP #3

QUALITY EXCAVATION INC

NW Oregon Regional Forest Practices Committee

Operator of the Year Tour – October 30th, 2025



OPTIONAL RATING FORM
OPERATOR RECOGNITION
OPERATOR OF THE YEAR

| CRITERIA | POINTS POSSIBLE | SCORE |
|-------------------------|-----------------|-------|
| CONSISTENCY | 20 | |
| DIFFICULTY | 15 | |
| CONCERN FOR RESOURCE | 20 | |
| INNOVATION/EFFORT | 15 | |
| RESULTS | 30 | |
| TOTAL SCORE | | |



2025 Operator Recognition Program – Nomination Form

AWARD CATEGORY: ***Operator of the Year / Merit Award***

REGION (NW/SW/East): NW

DISTRICT: NWOR

NOMINATED BY: Craig Sorter, Bryce Rodgers

OPERATOR INFORMATION AND MAILING ADDRESS:

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Company Address: 2 Ecky Lane, Naselle WA

Company Phone No. (503) 298-0607

Company Email: qualityexcavation@outlook.com

Company Primary Contact Name (Owner): Jay Bergeson

Contact Cell Phone No. (503) 298-0607

Contacts Email: qualityexcavationinc@msn.com

Operation Information (*Operation as an example of work with RFPC tour*)

Activities: Harvest () Site Prep () Reforestation () Road Construction ()
Stand Management () Other (X) Pipe Installation

Date of Operation: July 1st through Sept 15th

NOAP No. 2024-5210827 EM 45 Fish Pipe, 2024-521-04723 Klootchey 87 Pipe

Location of Operation (Legal Desc & Landmark): Sec 7 T6N-R7W Sec 4 T5N-R9W

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Describe the **Difficulty** and complexity of the operation nominated as well as past operations in regard to protection of forest resources: These two pipes were the first installs of the larger FRIA pipes. Quality's experience dealing with large scale projects and their ability to utilize big equipment benefits them and the landowner.

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Email: Hunter.Thompson@nuveennc.com
Phone No. (503) 440-1304

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Title: Stewardship Forester
Email: Craig.L.Sorter @odf.oregon.gov
Phone No: (503) 298-7479

Name: Bryce Rodgers
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NOTIFICATION OF OPERATIONS/PERMIT TO OPERATE POWER-DRIVEN MACHINERY (NOAP)

Notification Number: 2024-521-08217

Operation Name: EM 45 Fish Pipe



This NOAP includes the following for the lands described in the NOAP:

- The notifier has given notice to the State Forester that an operation will be conducted.
- The Oregon Department of Forestry or local Forest Protective Association has issued a permit to use fire or operate power-driven machinery.
- The Operator must report on all activities on this NOAP by December 31 of the NOAP's Activity year unless a continuation has been issued. Continued NOAPs must be reported by the end of the following year.

Person Submitting the NOAP: Hunter Thompson
Date NOAP Submitted: May 31, 2024
Report Generated: May 20, 2025
Landowner Status: The Landowner is not a Small Forestland Owner

Waiting Period

You must wait at least 15 days after successful submittal of this NOAP before starting the activities in the NOAP (see OAR 629-605-0150(1)). You may ask the ODF Forester to waive this 15-day waiting period, **but you must wait the full 15 days unless the ODF Forester notifies you that you may start sooner.**

Oregon Department of Forestry Contact Info

Astoria
92219 Hwy 202
Astoria, Oregon 97103
Phone: (503) 325-5451
ODF Forester: Craig Sorter
Email: craig.l.sorter@odf.oregon.gov

Operator's Fire Emergency Contact

Contact Name: Hunter Thompson
Phone: (503) 440-1304

Landowner(s)

L&C Tree Farms, LLC
PO Box 2865
Gearhart, Oregon 97138
(503) 738-6351

Notice to Landowner(s)

Reforestation may be required after timber harvesting. The Oregon Department of Forestry may conduct on-site inspections for compliance with forest practice and fire protection laws. Land use conversion to non-forest use is subject to other state and local regulations, which may affect use or development of a site.

Timber Owner

L&C Log Co, LLC
c/o GreenWood Resources, Inc.
1500 SW 1st Ave
Suite 1150
Portland, Oregon 97201
971-533-7065

Notice to Timber Owner

If timber is harvested, the party owning the timber at the point it is first measured is responsible for payment of Oregon timber taxes.

Written Plans

A Written Plan (in addition to this NOAP) is required before operation activities can begin near the protected resources listed with the Unit information or Site Conditions below or otherwise described to you by the ODF Forester ([OAR 629-605-0170](https://www.oregon.gov/ODF/Forestry/Pages/629-605-0170) (2), (3), and (5)). The Written Plan must describe in detail how the resource(s) will be protected during the operation. There is a waiting period for Written Plans that is separate from the notification waiting period. Contact your ODF Forester for more information.

Site Conditions (reported by the Notifier)

Stream within 100 feet of area.

Notices

Submitting this Notification of operations on lands described in the NOAP constitutes consent for Department staff to access the property to ensure compliance with state law and rules governing forest practices through on-site inspections. The landowner must notify the ODF forester to withdraw this consent.

Permission from Landowner and Timber Owner Required for Operators, purchasers, contractors, general public: Submitting this notification does *not* give permission for operators, purchasers, contractors, or the general public to enter someone else's land or remove forest products. Anyone doing so must first obtain permission from the landowner and timber owner.

Pesticide Use: Pesticide users must follow all pesticide product label requirements, including any that prohibit applications near or into streams or other water bodies! Pesticide users must be sure the label that comes with the pesticide product allows the planned use! Contact the Oregon Department of Agriculture [here](https://www.oregon.gov/ODA/Pages/default.aspx) or at 503-986-4635 for information on allowed uses of pesticide products.

Operations Near Utility Lines: If you are conducting timber harvesting or road construction within 100 feet of overhead utility lines contact the local utility in accordance with ORS 757.805 - Oregon's Overhead Safety Act and OAR 437-007-0230 - Power Line Safeguards. Identification tags are located on each pole.

Call the Oregon Utility Notification Center at 811 at least 2 business days before starting timber harvesting, road construction, or any other activities involving excavation that may affect an underground utility line. The Center will coordinate with the appropriate utility companies to locate underground utility lines that may be affected by your activities.

Using Water for Pesticides or Slash Burning: If you plan to use on-site water (water from a stream, for example) to mix pesticides or for slash burning, you must provide a copy of this NOAP to the local offices of the Oregon Water Resources Department and the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (see ORS 537.141).

Registrants & Subscribers: There may be registrants and/or subscribers who receive this Notification. See the Notification Summary page within the E-Notification system or contact ODF for more details.

NOAP Changes: The notifier must inform the Oregon Department of Forestry of any changes in a NOAP before the activity takes place. A new NOAP may be required.

Protection of Cultural Resources: Under ORS 358.920 a person may not excavate, injure, destroy or alter an archaeological site or object or remove an archaeological object located on public or private lands in Oregon unless that activity is authorized by a permit issued under ORS 390.235. ORS 390.235 (5) exempts forestry operations on private lands from the permit requirement unless the site contains human remains, funerary objects and objects of cultural patrimony, or objects associated with a prehistoric Indian tribal culture. This exemption does not impact the applicability of the remainder of Oregon's cultural resource laws (ORS 97.740 – 97.994, 358.905 – 358.961, and 390.235 – 390.240). If human remains are encountered ORS 358.920 and ORS 97.745 require all excavation to stop and the find be reported to the landowner, the state police, the State Historic Preservation Officer and the Commission on Indian Services. ODF Staff cannot provide cultural resource advice or guidance, and landowners are encouraged to contact the State Historic Preservation Office [here](#) or at 503-986-0690.

Unit 1 of 1: EM 45 Fish Pipe

Clatsop County(s)

T6N R7W Sec7

Regulated Use Area: NW-2

Operator:

Jason Bergeson
Quality Excavation Inc
2 Ecky Lane
Naselle, Washington 98638
(503) 298-0607

Activity: Reconstructing Type F stream crossing**Start:** 6/15/2024 **End:** 12/31/2024**Completion Status:** Completed by Hunter Thompson
reported on 12/5/2024**Method(s):** Excavator,

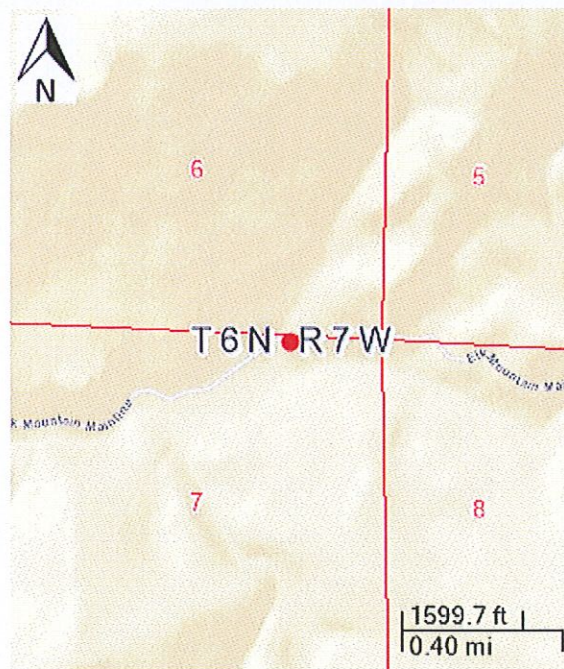
Dozer

Quantity: 0.01 MBF**Resources on or near this Unit****Statutory Written Plan required within 100 feet of****Statutory Written Plan required within 300 feet of**

Unknown: Medium - Type F Stream

Notes:

1. A statutory written plan is required for operations within 300 feet of Estuarine or Marine Wetlands, not 100 feet as may be shown above.
2. Contact your ODF Forester about streams not shown on the map.

Unit Map: EM 45 Fish Pipe

Written Plan

Operation: EM 45 Fish Pipe
Legal: Sec. 7 T6N R7W
Operator: L&C Tree Farms, LLC
Operation Type: Pipe Installation
Equipment Type: Dozer & Backhoe

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| Pipe Diameter | 144 | in |
| Pipe Length | 80 | ft |
| Embedment | 40% | |
| Average Bankfull Width | 8 | ft |
| Minimum Round Pipe Diameter | 11.6 | ft |
| Drainage Area | 155 | acres |
| | 0.242 | sq. miles |
| ODF Peak Flow for Forest Streams | 300 | cfs |
| 50 year Peak Flow | 72.7 | cfs |
| 100 year Peak Flow | 89.4 | cfs |
| 144inch Round Pipe Flow Capacity with 40% Embedment | 630 | cfs |

NARRATIVE:

The following written plan is for the culvert replacement over a medium fish stream tributary to the South Fork Klaskanine River in Clatsop County. We will be installing a 144"x80' round metal pipe. The following plan describes specific details and BMPs for this project.

TYPE F IN-STREAM WORK NARRATIVE:

The 144" pipe installation will be replacing a failing 48" round metal pipe. This structure is adequately sized to pass a 100-year flood discharge. Pumps equipped with ODFW-compliant fish screens will be used as needed to dewater the site during construction activities. Any fish within the work site will be captured and moved downstream out of the work site. All in-water work will be done during the instream work period (July 1- September 15). Operators will take every precaution to avoid any delivery. I am requesting prior approval to drill and shoot the stream bed if it consists of bedrock to achieve the adequate pipe lay. All exposed soil within 100' of the stream will be armored or hay mulched. See detailed drawing for specific project criteria.

REQUEST FOR APPROVAL ON FILL HEIGHT GREATER THAN 15'

I would like to request approval on a fill height over 15'. We will do everything we can to minimize the fill height but I estimate it will be just over 20' at centerline.

Signature Block:

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|---|--------------------------|----------------|
| Submitted By: | <u>Hunter Thompson</u> | <u>5/31/24</u> |
| | Lewis & Clark Tree Farms | Date |
| <p>I the undersigned have read and understand the above written plan and agree to operate under all guidelines contained within this written plan and the Oregon Forest Practices Act. If I am not the equipment operator who will be performing the work I will ensure that the written plan is explained to the operator and they understand what is required to implement this written plan. A copy of this written plan will be on the job site. If unforeseen conditions occur or the written plan can not be followed operationally, all work will immediately stop and a L&C Tree Farm representative will be contacted.</p> | | |
| Agreed to By: | _____ | _____ |
| | Contractor | Date |

Unit Name: EM 45 Fish Pipe
HPU:

Timber Harvest & Management Plan

Lewis & Clark Timberlands

Sec 7 T6N R7W 123-35-24W 46-01-25N



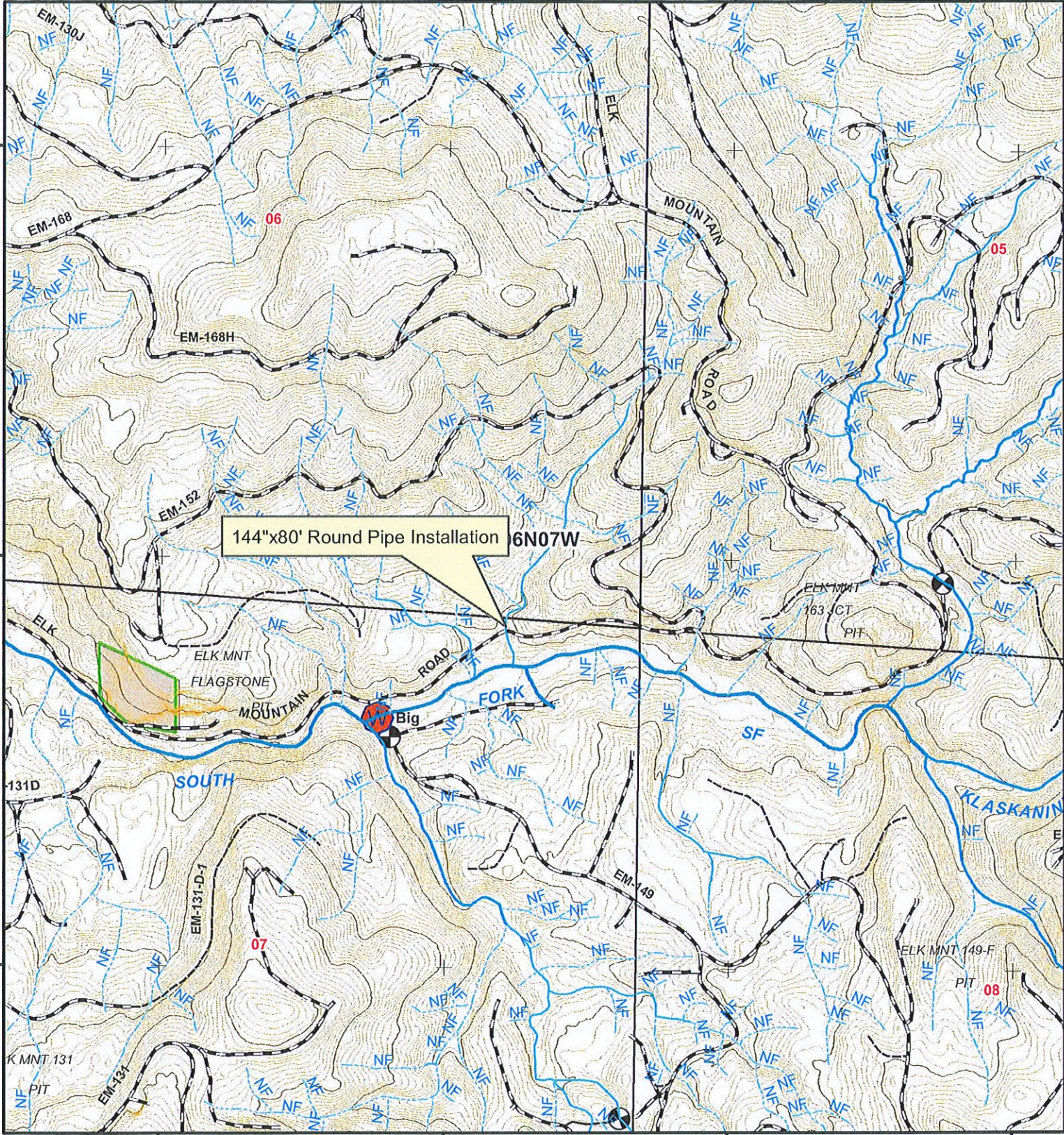
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Gross Acres:
Net Acres:

123°36'0"W

123°35'30"W

123°35'0"W

123°34'30"W



144"x80' Round Pipe Installation

6N07W

Harvest Plan

- Harvest Planning
- RMZ
- Wildlife Tree Area
- Seaside Ownership

Stream Class

- Large
- Medium, Fish Present
- Medium, No Fish
- Small, Fish Present
- Small, No Fish

Road Type

- Dirt
- Paved
- Rocked
- Decommission
- Maintenance
- New Construction
- Reconstruction

Utilities/POI

- Gate
- RoadBlock
- Domestic Water Points
- Domestic Water
- Power Line
- Landing

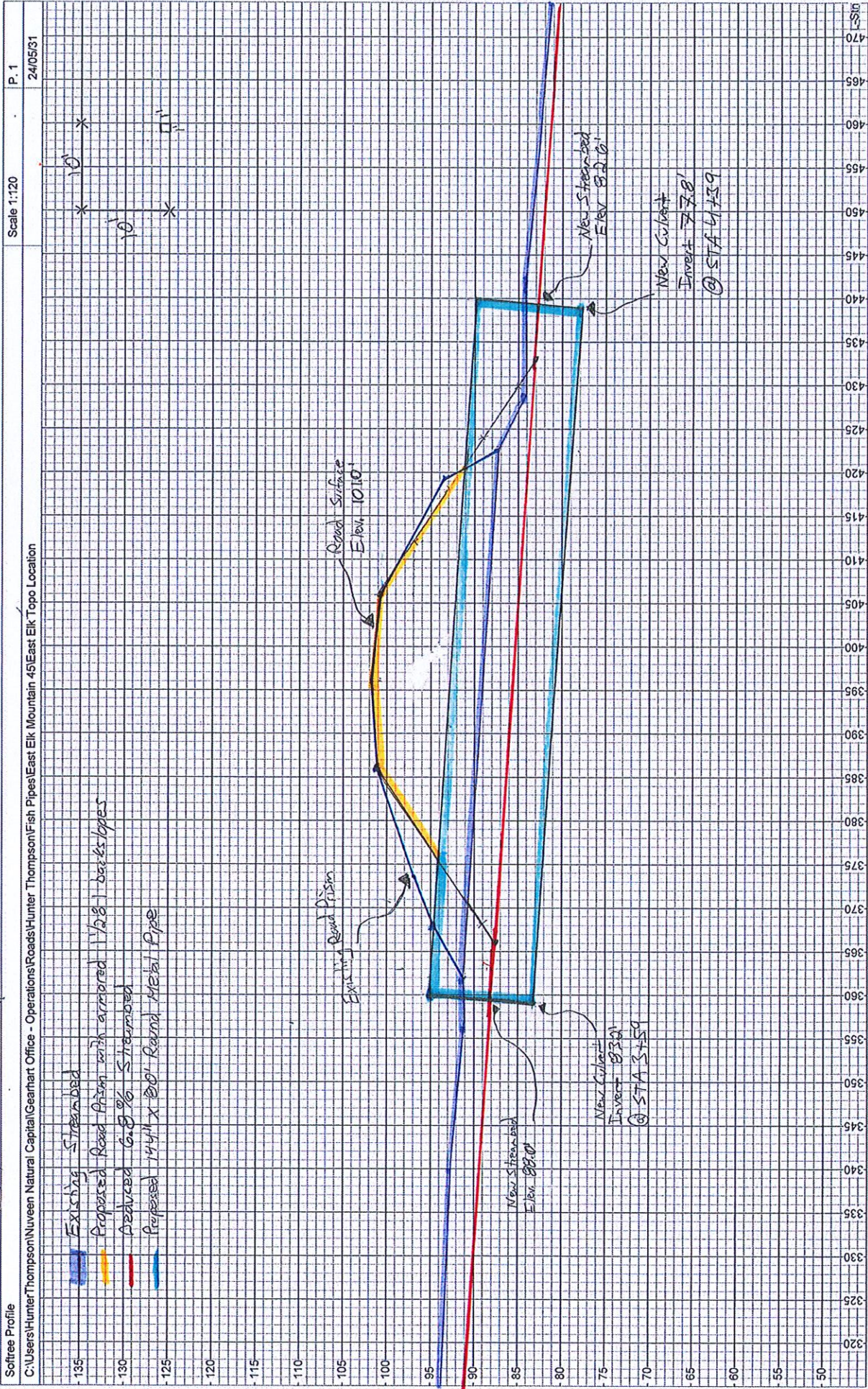
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Feet

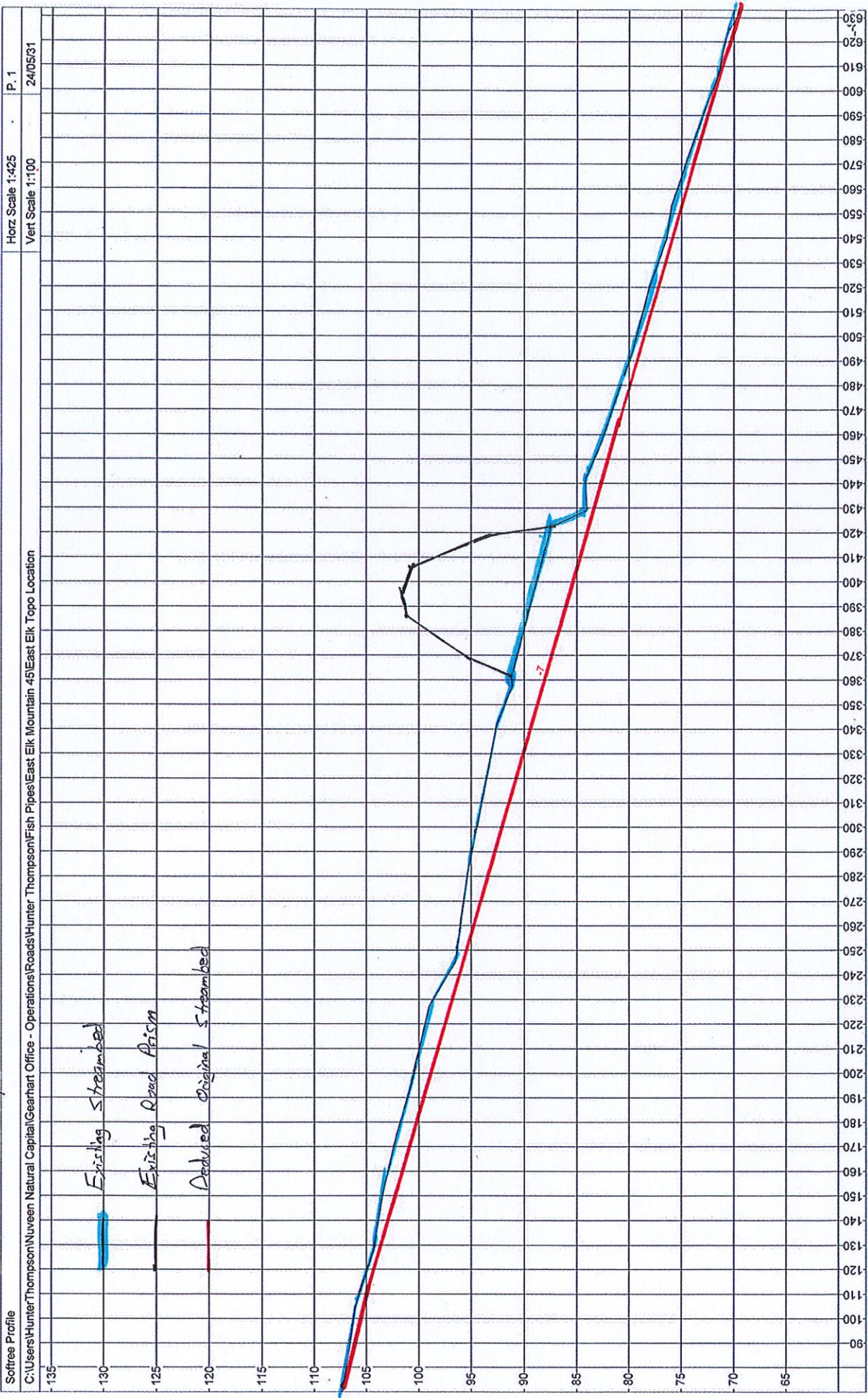


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EM 45 Fish Pipe



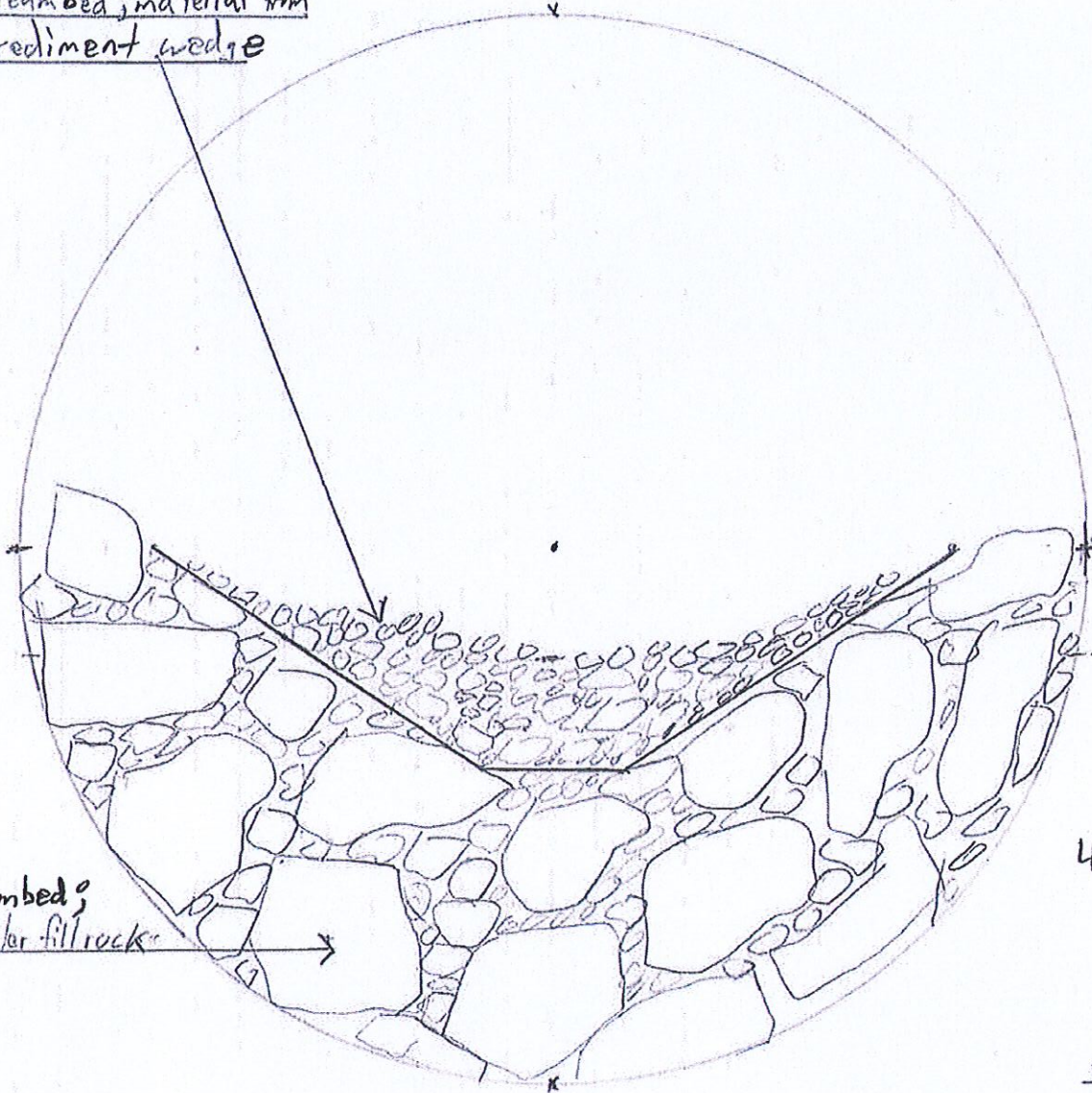
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Culvert Cross Section

12'

Mobile streambed material from
up stream sediment wedge



Static Streambed;
Riprap w/ smaller fill rock

1" = 20'



June 16th, 2025

Letter of Nomination for Operator of the Year

Dear Regional Forest Practices Committee,

On behalf of Nuveen Natural Capital, I am proud to nominate Quality Excavation Inc. for Operator of the Year in recognition of their outstanding work on two 144" round fish pipe installations completed in the summer of 2024. Quality Excavation successfully replaced a failing 48" pipe with a 144"x80' pipe on the East Elk Mountain ML and a temporary 48" pipe with a 144"x100' pipe on the Klootchey Creek ML. Prior to installation, both crossings were high-priority fish barriers at significant risk of environmental impact. The crew began work on the Elk Mountain ML project in mid-July and completed both installations within the instream work period.

Throughout the duration of both projects, the team consistently exceeded the intent of the Forest Practices Act by preventing resource damage while delivering high-quality results. While overseeing the projects, I never once had to remind them of the best management practices, such as pumping initial dirty bypass water into the brush before reconnecting it downstream. Their top priority is always minimizing environmental impact on all jobs. This unwavering commitment has earned our company's trust so we don't need to be on site daily, because we know the job is in capable hands.

The installations posed substantial challenges. Each road fill exceeded 22 feet in height and required multiple benches to access the pipe lay. At Klootchey Creek ML, unexpected old-growth logs were discovered in the road fill and had to be extracted using two large excavators. Both streams were of medium size with bank full widths of 8 feet, requiring a carefully planned and executed water diversion plan, which effectively minimized sediment delivery and optimized efficiency. Additionally, both road fills were located on horizontal curves that had to be reconstructed to a higher standard for lowboy access.

Bedding the pipes was another complex task, requiring almost 5 feet of pit run and riprap to be filled inside the pipes, which the crew installed using a skid steer and by hand placement. Rock was sourced from five separate pits to supply everything from ¾" minus to large riprap. Their foresight in pre-staging rock and material minimized downtime and maximized productivity. At East Elk Mountain ML, there was limited staging space due to the stream-parallel road. This demanded exceptional creativity and coordination, which the crew demonstrated throughout the project.

These two installations were impressive in both scale and complexity. Despite numerous unforeseen challenges, Quality Excavation met each one with skill, resourcefulness, and professionalism. I wholeheartedly recommend them for Operator of the Year.

Sincerely,



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NORTHWEST OREGON REGIONAL FOREST PRACTICES COMMITTEE: NEXT STEPS

- Viewing Nomination video
- Utilize the score card to score each of the nominations
- Committee members discussion for Operator of the Year
- ** Committee members Vote for selection of Operator of the Year
- Committee members discussion on Merit Award awards for any Operator of the Year nominee not selected as Op of Yr winner
- ** Vote for Merit Award recognition winners

