# Prineville-Sisters Chipping Program

### **CONTACT INFORMATION**

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# TREATMENT LOCATION

Project area represented by three communities within the Deschutes, Jefferson, and Crook Counties. All with CWPPs. Communities known as DRRH 1-5 & 9 (La Pine) that is a WUI area within ODF District boundaries, Juniper Canyon (Prineville), and Crooked River Ranch are WUI areas that are not within ODF District boundaries. Vegetation includes ponderosa/lodgepole pine, bitterbrush, juniper, sagebrush, and bunchgrass. This area has heavy continuous fuel loading due to lack of active management, a history of drought conditions, and is prone to frequent fires. These challenges underscore the need for funds to accomplish work, including but not limited to: prevention, education & outreach; assessing/treating fuels around and within the WUI; and joining fuel reduction projects across the landscape. The project areas are shown in the HUC\_6 map as High or Very High. Hazardous fuels. A growing WUI, and needed guidance make the project area a top priority for grant funding.

#### DESCRIPTION OF TREATMENT ACTIVITIES

This fuels reduction and chipping project with the Oregon Department of Forestry will fund landowner cost-share incentives for project work on a minimum of 100 acres and a roadside chipping program for 200 homesites equivalent to 200 acres. Fuels reduction, forest resiliency, outreach, prevention education, and chipping program are the targeted activities of the grant along with monitoring of treatments and accomplishment reporting. Fuels reduction and forest resiliency would include primarily thinning overstocked and diseased stands of pine and juniper, pruning remaining trees, mastication of brush and small trees, and chipping materials or burning piles onsite to remove the excess woody debris. Much of the work will focus on reducing fuels near structures, along ingress and egress routes, along property lines, and across entire ownerships. Projects will be completed by landowners and contractors on fuels reductions with chipping services provided to the communities being completed by ODF fuels crew. Examples of groups receiving targeted prevention education are landowners, forestry contractors, recreationists, hunters, community Firewise boards, homeowner associations, and visitors to county fairs, home and garden shows, and other public forums. (5,000 citizens). Priorities 1-4 will be addressed by reducing hazardous amounts of fuel loading in WUI areas which will protect structures that are on and or adjacent to two project work areas. Treatments will be focused on stands that are primarily overstocked and diseased.

# **DESCRIPTION OF THE ANTICIPATED BENEFIT**

This project will reduce hazardous fire characteristics on both individual and landscape scales in the Prineville-Sisters chipping program area bordering Crooked River Ranch, La Pine, Prineville, and Sunriver. Utilizing momentum from current and past work on proactive WUI management, the impacts of this project will be magnified by joining previous and current Federal, State, County, and City projects. Examples of projects include West Bend (21,817 ac.); Ursus (3,969 ac.); East Tumalo (3,729 ac.); Rocket (9,938 ac.); South Bend Hazard Fuels Reduction Area (3,021 ac.); Kew (6,500 ac.); Cabin Butte (22,872 ac.); and Tumalo (1,956 ac.). Recent NRCS fuels projects total 580 acres; Deschutes County projects within communities adjoining Bend total 1,116 acres, and Bend Parks and Rec projects total about 450 additional acres. Many of these projects are collaborative efforts involving broadcast burning across ownerships. Recent ODF projects on local private lands total 1,500 acres. Continued collaboration on projects will be reflected in the increased ability to slow and resist fire spread, reduced fire risk,

and increase the safety of residents. Fuels reduction funding will be targeted towards vulnerable populations including individuals that are elderly, individuals with chronic health conditions, individuals that are economically disadvantaged residents as well as residents in Crooked River Ranch who are outside ODF-protected lands and fall within our project areas. The chipping program will assist the overall communities within the project area. Residents who participate will be encouraged to utilize excess woody material which is not chipped to be used as other non-traditional forest products.

#### **TIMELINE**

#### First 6 months

- Coordination with partner entities
- Outreach to landowners
- Update GIS web map to display eligible grant area
- Identify interested landowners
- Implement projects
- Implement first round of two-month chipping program

#### Year 1

- Continue work on-the-ground
- Continue project work with ongoing and new project sites
- Implement second round of two-month chipping program

#### Year 1.5

- Implement and complete the third round of two-month roadside chipping program
- Complete and review projects
- Document successes and analyze grant effectiveness

# **BUDGET**

All funds will be used to accomplish fuel reduction work, chipping program, and prevention education activities. Oversight will be provided by ODF NRS2.

PERSONNEL/FRINGE BENEFIT: ODF employees to provide analysis of fire prevention needs, landowner education, treatment operations advice, project coordination and chipping program workers

- o Forest Officer 6-months (\$27,264 and \$13,632)
- o 2-WFSS 6-Months (\$50,118 and \$25,059)
- o 2-Entry WFSS 6-months (\$35,466 and \$17,733)

TRAVEL: ODF employees use ODF vehicles for transportation to and from project sites and diesel fuel for the chipper. (\$17,360).

EQUIPMENT: ODF Prineville-Sisters to buy and use a chainsaw and two leaf blowers during the chipping program (\$1,532)

SUPPLY: Education/outreach supplies and prevention supplies/materials for landowner communications. Other supplies for the Chipping program. (\$3,969)

CONTRACTUAL: Includes \$50,000 for landowner cost-share (work done by landowners).

Leverage source from two federal grants provided to the ODF-COD. Grants include Greater La Pine 2 GF2018-01 and Southern Prineville GF3121-07.

# **Budget Worksheet**

Instructions: Fill out blue-bordered boxes Grant Agreement #/Project Name:

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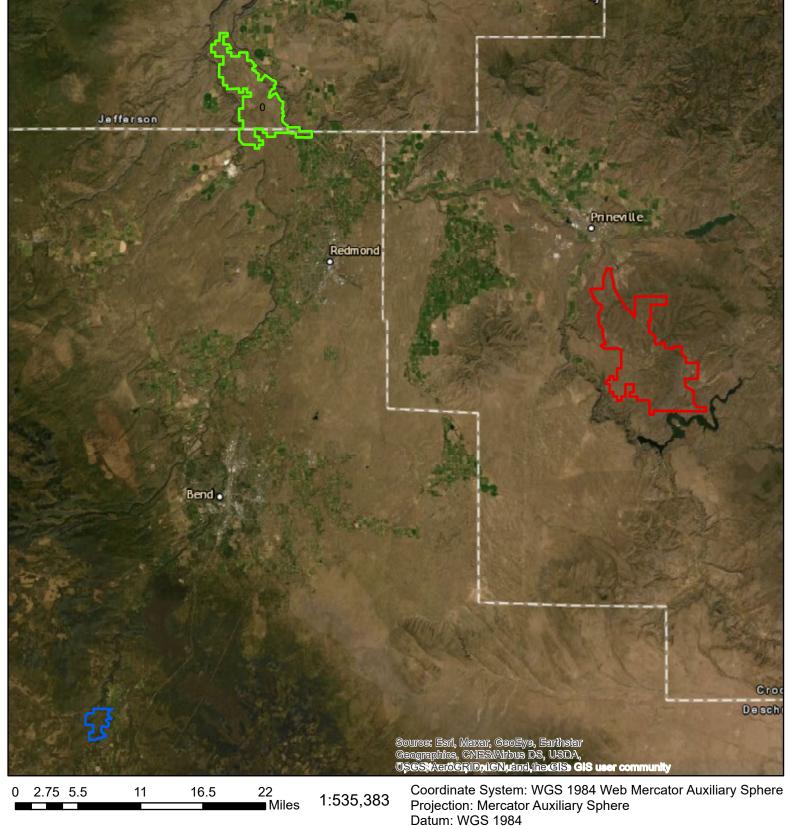
/ Prineville-Sisters Chipping Program

Deliverable	Deliverables				
Below are	Below are examples, replace with your projects quantified treatment activities (acres)				
1	100 Acres of non-commercial Thinning, release, and slash treatment				
2	Chipping project on 200 Homesites at 1 Acre per lot				
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Treatment Footprint	300 Acres				

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Cost Category	Grant Request	Match (if any)	Leverage (if any)	Total Project Cost
1. Personnel	\$ 112,372.00			\$ 113,451.00
2. Fringe Benefits	\$ 56,186.00			\$ 56,726.00
3. Travel	\$ 17,360.00			\$ 17,360.00
4. Equipment	\$ 1,532.00			\$ 1,532.00
5. Supplies	\$ 3,969.00			\$ 3,969.00
6. Contractual	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 179,244.00	\$ 254,244.00
7. ODF (if applicable)				\$ 0.00
Total	\$ 243,038.00	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 179,244.00	\$ 447,282.00

Narrative justification by line item: totals should match claim above.

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For each line item	Detail by position or item cost, rate, number of units, and subtotals. Tie costs to Deliverables. <b>Example:</b> Personnel and Fringe (\$1,480 and \$740=\$2,220) for 1 Ecologist working 40 hours @ \$37/hour to treatment plan 100 acres of fuel treatments
Personnel & Fringe	Personnel and Fringe for Forest Officer 6-months (\$27,264 and \$13,632 = \$40,896) Personnel and Fringe for 2 WFSS 6-Months (\$49,644 and \$24,822 = \$74,466) Personnel and Fringe for 2 Entry WFSS 6-Months (\$35,446 and \$17,733 = \$53,179) Working 10 hr/day each @ \$26.47,\$24.10x2 and \$17.22x2 to chipping program and Grant sign up's and sign off's
Travel	Tow Pickup: 2,060 miles/mon. x .43/mile = \$885.8 X 6 mon. = \$5,314.8 Crew: 2,060 miles/mon. x .57/mile = \$1174.2 x 6 mon = \$7,045.2 Chipper Fuel Cost: \$5,000
Equipment	1-Chainsaw = \$671.99 2-Stihl leaf blowers = \$860
Supplies	Chainsaw chain = \$501.84 Bar Oil (40) x \$5.99 = \$239.6 Fuel mix (70) x \$3.24 = \$226.8 Parts/Maint/education and outreach = \$3,000
Contractual Payments	Private Landowner Cost share = \$50,000 (\$500 x 100 ac)
ODF (if Applicable)	
Leverage Sources	Leverage will be provided from Federal grants recieved by ODF-Central Oregon District for adjacent work to be completed under the Greater La Pine 2 grant (\$89,244) and Southern Prineville Grant (\$90,000)



**Prineville-Sisters Chipping Area Overview Sponsor: Oregon Department of Forestry** 

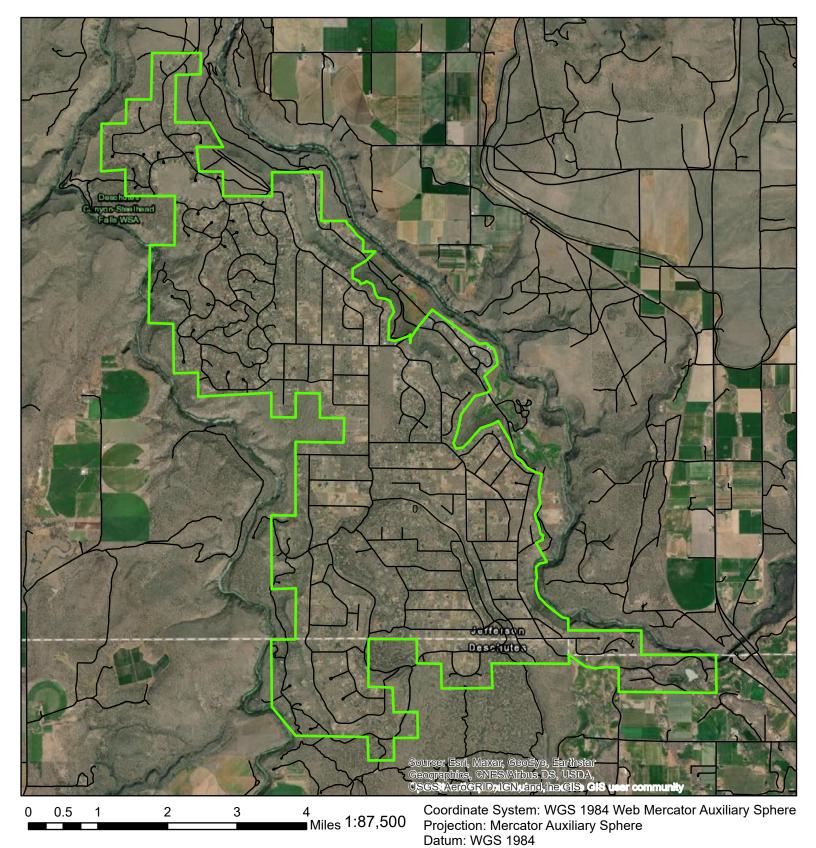
Crooked River Ranch

Juniper Canyon

DRRH 1-5, 9







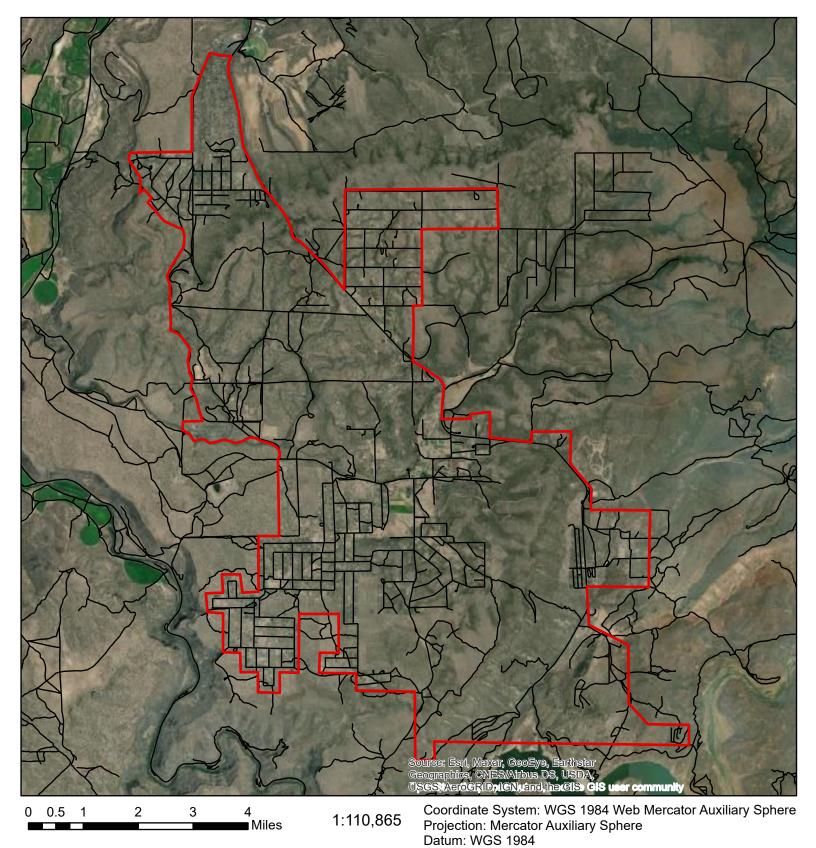
Prineville-Sisters Chipping Project Crooked River Ranch Area Sponsor: Oregon Department of Forestry

Crooked River Ranch Project Boundary









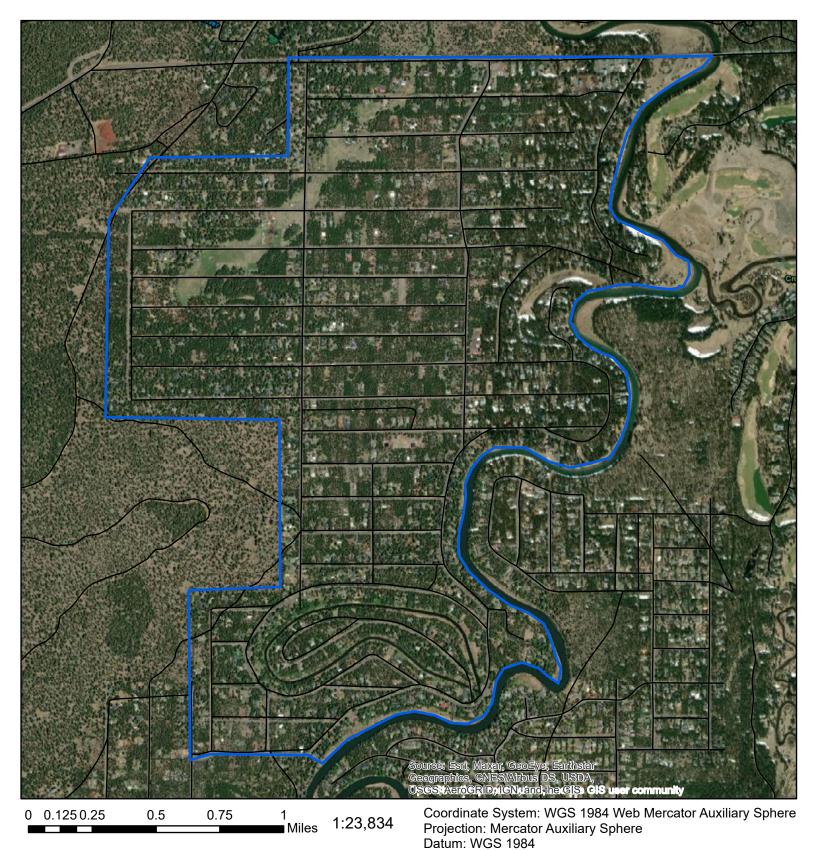
Prineville-Sisters Chipping Project South Prineville Area Sponsor: Oregon Department of Forestry

Juniper Canyon Project Boundary

**ODF Statewide Road** 







Prineville-Sisters Chipping Project Sunriver / La Pine Area Sponsor: Oregon Department of Forestry

DRRH 1-5, 9 Project Boundary

**ODF Statewide Road** 





Number of Pa	anel Reviewer #	<b>‡</b> 1	Project Name	Prineville-Sisters Chip	oping Progra	am
Priority	Proposal Scoring	g Rubric			Possible Points	Reviewer Score
1 Reviewer Comments	Clearly describes treatment activities and how future condition reduces risk of high severity wildfire  300 acres: Fuels reduction, forest resiliency, outreach, prevention education, and chipping program are the targeted activities of the grant along with monitoring of treatments. Fuels reduction and forest resiliency activities: thinning overstocked and diseased stands of pine and juniper, pruning remaining trees, mastication of brush and small trees, and chipping materials or burning piles onsite. Continued collaboration on projects will be reflected in the increased ability to slow and resist fire spread, reduced fire risk, and increase the safety of residents.				20	
2 Reviewer Comments	Project protects or is in a Wildfir Much of the wo routes, along pr	infrastructure, c e Risk Class of Hig rk will focus on re operty lines, and	reates shaded fuel breagh or Extreme (HUC 6 weducing fuels near structaross entire ownershing rownershing rownery High hazardou	ratershed) ctures, along ingress ar ps. The project areas a	_	15
3 Reviewer	Project treats of 200 homesites	protects multipl	e properties		15	15
4 Reviewer Comments	Proposed treatment(s) address insects and disease, drought mortality, invasive species, storm damage or enhances wildlife habitat  This area has a history of drought conditions. Treatments will be focused on stands that are primarily overstocked and diseased.					11
5 Reviewer Comments	Clearly demonstrates collaborative approach including treatment proximity to previous or planned hazardous fuel treatments  The impacts of this project will be magnified by joining previous and current Federal, State, County, and City projects. Examples of projects include West Bend; Ursus; East Tumalo; Rocket; South Bend Hazard Fuels Reduction Area; Kew; Cabin Butte; and Tumalo. Recent NRCS fuels projects total 580 acres; Deschutes County projects within communities adjoining Bend total 1,116 acres, and Bend Parks and Rec projects total about 450 additional acres. Many of these projects are collaborative efforts involving broadcast burning across ownerships.			10		
6 Reviewer Comments	Proposed treatment(s) benefit vulnerable populations or under protected properties  Fuels reduction funding will be targeted towards vulnerable populations including individuals that are elderly, individuals with chronic health conditions, individuals that are economically disadvantaged residents as well as residents in Crooked River Ranch who are outside ODF-protected lands and fall within our project areas.				10	
7 Reviewer	Treatment area references a forest management plan or is located within a priority planning area listed in Funding Priority 6				10	
Comments 8 Reviewer Comments	Project area within the Deschutes, Jefferson, and Crook Counties. All with CWPPs.  Project utilizes non-traditional forest products  The chipping program will assist the overall communities within the project area.  Residents who participate will be encouraged to utilize excess woody material which is not chipped to be used as other non-traditional forest products.			5		
		Final Sc			Out of 100	96

Number of Panel Reviewer #2 <b>Project Name</b> Prineville-Sisters Chip			ipping Program		
Priority Proposal Scoring Rubric					Reviewer Score
1	Clearly describes treatment activities and how future condition reduces risk of high severity wildfire				
Reviewer Comments	yes				20
2	Project protects infrastructure, co or is in a Wildfire Risk Class of Hig			15	15
Reviewer Comments	high or very high	high or very high			
3	Project treats or protects multiple	e properties		15	
Reviewer Comments	yes				15
4	Proposed treatment(s) address insects and disease, drought mortality, invasive species, storm damage or enhances wildlife habitat				_
Reviewer Comments	drought—this aspect least developed				5
5	Clearly demonstrates collaborative to previous or planned hazardous		reatment proximity	10	
Reviewer Comments	yes				10
6	Proposed treatment(s) benefit vu properties	ılnerable populations o	r under protected	10	10
Reviewer Comments	yes				
7	Treatment area references a forest management plan or is located within a priority planning area listed in Funding Priority 6			10	
Reviewer Comments	yes				10
8	Project utilizes non-traditional fo	rest products		5	
Reviewer Comments	aspirational rather than planned				0

ı	Final Score	Out of 100	85

Number of Pa	anel Reviewer #3	Project Name	Prineville-Siste	ers Chipping	<u> </u>
Priority	iority Proposal Scoring Rubric Possible Points				
1	Clearly describes treatment activities and how future condition reduces risk of high severity wildfire				
Reviewer Comments		cial treatments, chipping on 2 relatively large footprint.	00 acres, but unclear h	now	15
2		cture, creates shaded fuel bre ss of High or Extreme (HUC 6 v		15	
Reviewer Comments	High/Very High Wildfire R	isk Class, infrastructure prote	ction		15
3	Project treats or protects	multiple properties		15	
Reviewer Comments	yes				15
4		dress insects and disease, dro image or enhances wildlife ha	•	15	
Reviewer Comments		es that treatments will focus on stands, "primarily overstocked and diseased". Not of additional details though on this, drought, habitat, etc.			
5	Clearly demonstrates collato previous or planned ha	aborative approach including zardous fuel treatments	treatment proximity	10	
Reviewer Comments	Yes, appears to be good c	ontinuity here with other proj	ects		10
6	Proposed treatment(s) be properties	nefit vulnerable populations o	or under protected	10	
Reviewer Comments	Notes that funding will be unclear how that will occu	targeted toward vulnerable p ur	oopulations, but it is a l	little	8
7	Treatment area reference priority planning area liste	es a forest management plan c ed in Funding Priority 6	or is located within a	10	
Reviewer Comments	Could not find reference to forest management plan or other prioritization documents				
8	Project utilizes non-tradit	ional forest products		5	
Reviewer Comments	Notes that residents who participate will be encouraged to utilize excess woody material not chipped as other non-traditional forest products. However, a plan for how this would occur in real-time is not provided.			3	
		Final Score		Out of 100	76

Number of Pa	Number of Panel Reviewer # 4 Project Name Prineville-Sisters Chipping Program					am_
Priority	Proposal Scoring Rubric Possible Points					
1	•	Clearly describes treatment activities and how future condition reduces risk of high severity wildfire				
Reviewer Comments	landowners of	protection progra	unties and landowners vams under ODF. The prothing the areas. Specific d	gram intends to impl	ement	10
2			creates shaded fuel brea igh or Extreme (HUC 6 w		15	
Reviewer Comments	Over the large not identify sp		sures may well be met h	owever, the applicatio	on does	7
3	Project treats	or protects multip	le properties		15	
Reviewer Comments	The program v	vould definitely tr	eat multiple properties			12
4			insects and disease, dro or enhances wildlife hab	•	15	
Reviewer Comments	The treatments address these issues in a broad spectrum through stand thinning's, chipping and burning piles. Not as a specific action.					7
5	-		ive approach including t us fuel treatments	reatment proximity	10	
Reviewer Comments		With the broad spread though counties and federal lands the project would definitely be collaborative				
6	Proposed treat	tment(s) benefit v	rulnerable populations o	r under protected	10	
Reviewer Comments	The area include	des and elderly po	opulation.			6
7		a references a for ng area listed in F	est management plan o unding Priority 6	r is located within a	10	
Reviewer Comments	No specific forest planes are described: however, the area is described as an HUC 6					4
8	Project utilizes	non-traditional f	orest products		5	
Reviewer Comments	No reference to forest products or their usage: however, there will be forest products generated in the thinning areas.			2		
	1	Final S	core		Out of 100	54

Number of Pa	anel Reviewer #5	Project Name	Prineville-Sisters Chi	oping Progra	<u>am</u>		
Priority Proposal Scoring Rubric Possible Points							
1	Clearly describes treatment activities and how future condition reduces risk of high severity wildfire						
Reviewer Comments	Describes existing condition, cle resulting condition will reduce r		•	of	15		
2	Project protects infrastructure, or is in a Wildfire Risk Class of H			15			
Reviewer Comments	200 homesites, high or very high	h risk, includes a roadsid	e chipping program		15		
3	Project treats or protects multip	ole properties		15			
Reviewer Comments	200 homesites: does this equate	e to 200 property owner	s?		15		
4	Proposed treatment(s) address invasive species, storm damage		•	15			
Reviewer Comments	Treatments will focus on overstocked stands and disease: what disease? Could have connected drought (juniper) and/or climate resiliency (overstocked stands) here						
5	Clearly demonstrates collaborate to previous or planned hazardo		reatment proximity	roximity 10			
Reviewer Comments	Clearly prioritized work based o proximity is not well articulated	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	e efforts in the area, t	reatment	7		
6	Proposed treatment(s) benefit v	vulnerable populations o	r under protected	10			
Reviewer Comments	Will prioritize vulnerable popula prioritization occur?	ations and treats under p	protected properties, h	now will	6		
7		Treatment area references a forest management plan or is located within a priority planning area listed in Funding Priority 6					
Reviewer Comments	None listed						
8	Project utilizes non-traditional forest products 5  States firewood will be utilized, how much? Just benefiting the property owner or provided to others?						
Reviewer Comments					2		
	Final S	Gore Good		Out of 100	70		