

Areas of Critical Environmental Concern Resource Management Plans (RMP) for Western Oregon

Background:

Areas of Critical Environmental Concern, defined in the Federal Land Policy and Management Act, represent areas within the public lands where special management attention is required to protect or to prevent irreparable damage to any of the following categories:

- important historic, cultural, or scenic values
- fish and wildlife resources
- other natural processes or systems
- life and safety from natural hazards



Key Points:

- The Proposed RMP would include the designation of the largest number (108) and Alternative C the least (101) Areas of Critical Environmental Concern.
- All action alternatives and the Proposed RMP would maintain 92–99 percent of the relevant and important values within the potential Areas of Critical Environmental Concern.
- Across the planning area, the potential Areas of Critical Environmental Concern represent a high level of diversity in both the values protected and the number and categories of values within any one Area of Critical Environmental Concern.

The Resource Management Plans for Western Oregon will determine how the BLM-administered lands in western Oregon will be managed to produce a sustained yield of timber products, to further the recovery of threatened and endangered species, to provide for clean water, to restore fire-adapted ecosystems, to provide for recreation opportunities, and to coordinate management of lands surrounding the Coquille Forest with the Coquille Tribe.

For more information, please visit the BLM's Resource Management Plans of western Oregon website at <http://www.blm.gov/or/plans/rmpswesternoregon/index.php>.