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## BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

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Bent Beekman Final Decision and Decision Rationale (DR)  
EA # DOI-BLM-OR-S040-2014-0001 EA

Dear Interested Public:

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Salem District has made a decision to harvest 146 acres of forest stands in Cascades Resource Area. This includes regeneration harvest of 62 acres of 102 year old forest stands and commercially thinning 82 acres of 51-102 year old forest stands. The project will be implemented as the Bent Beekman Timber Sale. Other actions include but are not limited to: approximately 2 acres of road right-of-way clearing for up to 0.25 miles of new road construction, close and stabilize any newly constructed natural surface roads, and renovate approximately 6.85 miles of existing road. 7 culverts will be replaced or installed. Fuels treatment will be completed on approximately 80 acres which include broadcast burning, slashing, and machine piles along property lines and on landings.

The Bent Beekman Timber Sale consists of 3 units of the proposed and alternative actions documented in the *Sunday Morning Belly Twister Environmental Assessment (EA)* (EA #DOI-BLM-OR-S040-2014-0001-EA) and the associated project file. The *Finding of No Significant Impact* was completed for the Sunday Morning Belly Twister EA and signed on April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2015 and is also available for public review.

A copy of the *Bent Beekman Timber Sale Final Decision and Decision Rationale (DR)* and the *Sunday Morning Belly Twister Timber Management Project EA* and *Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI)* is available at our Salem District Office, at the above address and can be found on the Eplanning NEPA register website. To access this site, go to <http://www.blm.gov/or/districts/salem/plans/plans.php>; click on the Eplanning NEPA Register; click on the text search tab; click advanced search; in the project name box, type Sunday Morning Belly Twister and click search. The project will display on the bottom of the page; then click the NEPA #, which brings you to the project page. The Bent Beekman DR will be filed under the Documents section of the project page.

The decision described in this document is a forest management decision and is subject to protest by the public. In accordance with Forest Management Regulations at 43 CFR 5003, protests of this decision may be made within 15 days of the publication of a notice of decision in a newspaper of general circulation. For this project, the Notice of Sale will be published in the *Albany Democrat-Herald* newspaper on or around November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2015. To protest this decision a person must submit a written protest to John Huston, Cascades Field Manager, 1717 Fabry Rd. SE, Salem, Oregon 97306 by the close of business (4:30 p.m.) on December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2015. The regulations do not authorize the acceptance of protests in any form other than a signed, written hard copy that is delivered to the physical address of the advertising BLM office. A written protest electronically transmitted (e.g. email, facsimile, or social media) will not be accepted as a protest.

The planned timber sale date is December 16<sup>th</sup>, 2015. For additional information, contact John Huston at (503) 315-5969.

Sincerely,

John Huston  
Field Manager, Cascades Resource Area