

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT
ROSEBURG DISTRICT
SOUTH RIVER FIELD OFFICE

SOUTH RIVER REFORESTATION DECISION RECORD

Based upon the attached Categorical Exclusion (DOI-BLM-ORWA-R050-2016-0003-CX), I have determined that the proposed action, reforestation of approximately 4,434 acres, involves no significant impacts to the human environment and no further environmental analysis is required.

It is my decision to implement reforestation efforts beginning December 30, 2015. Reforestation would continue until desired target stockings were met depending on land use allocation.

Reforestation will not affect nesting opportunities for marbled murrelets or affect nesting, roosting and foraging opportunities for northern spotted owls.

Reforestation will not have any adverse effect on Kincaid's lupine as the activity would occur during the time of year when the plants are dormant, and the activity will not result in any level of site disturbance sufficient to harm plants that may be present in stands that will be reforested.

Reforestation is an activity that is exempt from normal inventory requirements and much of the project area is excluded from inventory under Appendix E of the Oregon BLM-SHPO 2015 Protocol. However, some areas that are considered high probability for cultural sites within area of potential effect will be surveyed prior to planting. Previously documented and newly identified sites will be avoided and the project will have no effect on cultural resources. The BLM has met its Section 106 responsibilities under the guidance of the 2012 National Programmatic Agreement and the 2015 Oregon BLM-SHPO Protocol.

Protest Procedures

The decision described in this document is a forest management decision. Administrative remedies are available to persons who believe they will be adversely affected by this decision. A 15-day formal protest period will begin December 15, 2016. To protest a forest management decision, a person must submit a written and signed protest to the South River Field Manager, 777 NW Garden Valley Boulevard, Roseburg, OR 97471 by close of business (4:30 p.m., SDT) by December 29, 2015. The protest must clearly and concisely state which portion or element of the decision is being protested and why it is believed to be in error, as well as cite applicable regulations. Faxed or emailed protests will not be considered.

For further information, contact Steven Lydick, Field Manager, South River Field Office, Roseburg District, Bureau of Land Management, 777 NW Garden Valley Blvd. Roseburg, OR 97471, (541) 440-4930.



Steven Lydick
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12/10/2015

Date