



# SIUSLAW NATIONAL FOREST PROJECT UPDATE

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## Five Mile Bell PULSE

### What's a PULSE, you ask?

A collection of people in the same place for a dedicated time, to concentrate on a specific area or topic to achieve collective wisdom and design, and to foster connections and collaboration.

Sound big, thoughtful, downright esoteric? Maybe so, however with the views and terrain at Five Mile Bell, a square mile of valley bottom near the Oregon Coast, south of Florence, and plenty of fun and creativity built into the agenda, members of the PULSE enjoyed their three days of work.

A couple dozen individuals from public and private research, Forest Service personnel, community members and non-profit groups met from June 1 -3 to design a restoration strategy, building science in from the beginning of the project.

The PULSE was a chance to gather specialists in a fun and collaborative way. Members camped out at the site, eating, working and socializing during evening hours.

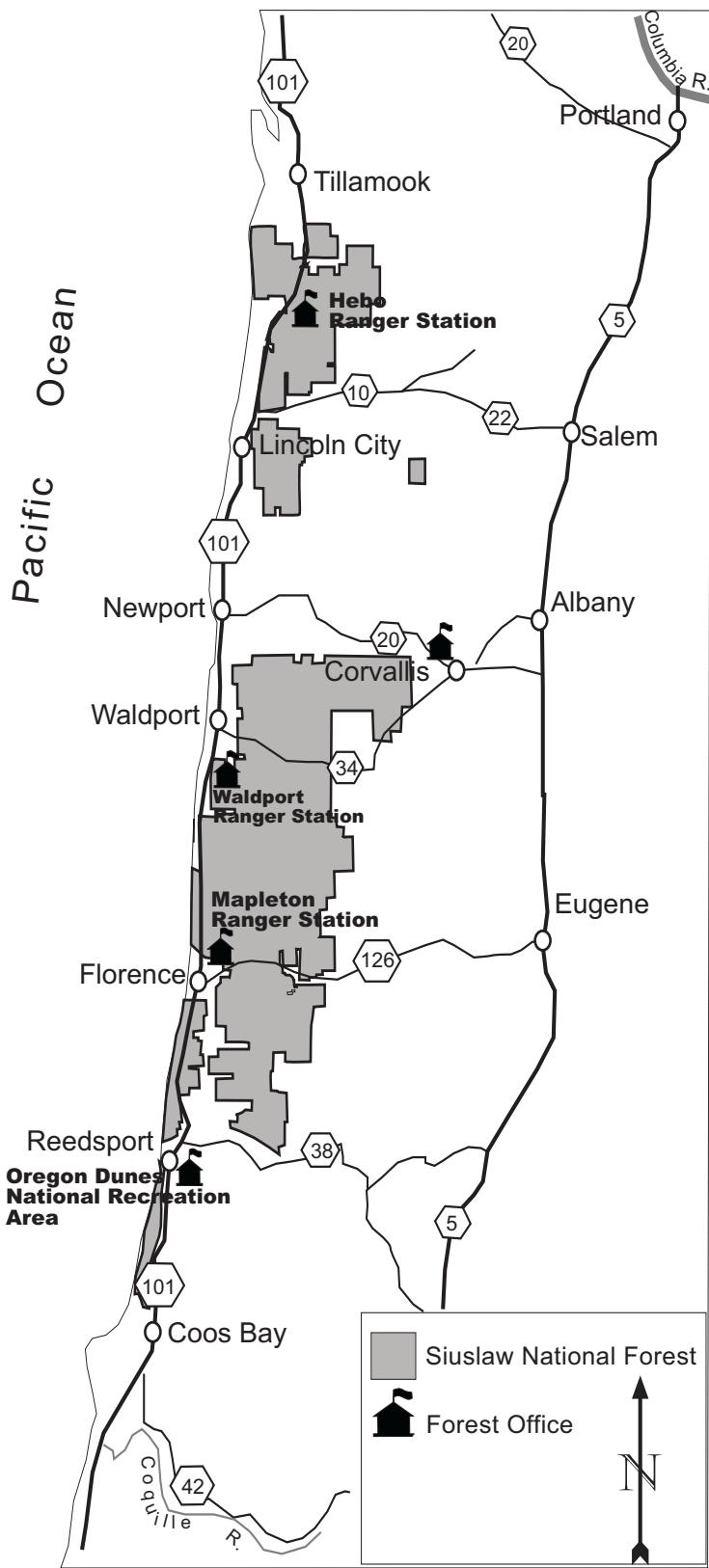
Their task was to develop a restoration plan for a recent federal acquisition of an historic homestead and 640 acres of prime coho salmon habitat. Other goals included challenging conventional restoration concepts and propelling restoration science to new heights.

The Siuslaw National Forest has accomplished two major Coastal valley bottom stream restoration projects within the past seven years. You can find out more about other stream restoration projects by visiting our Web site at [www.fs.fed.us/r6/siuslaw](http://www.fs.fed.us/r6/siuslaw).

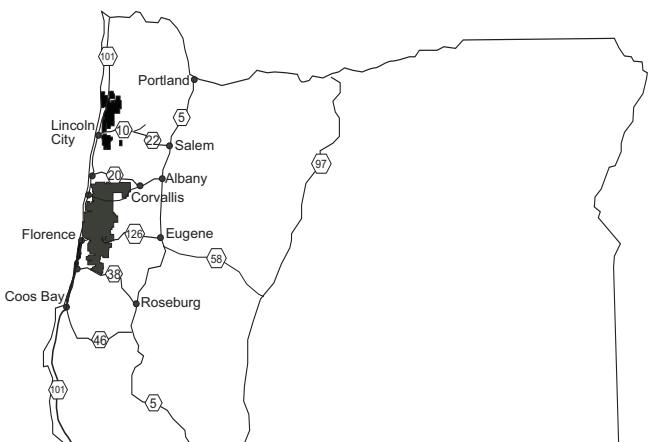


Five Mile Bell Valley

# Siuslaw National Forest



## Vicinity map



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## Items Of Interest

### **Payments to Counties**

*Forest-wide - Benton, Coos, Douglas, Lane, Lincoln Polk, Tillamook and Yamhill Counties*

The Siuslaw Resource Advisory Committee (RAC) met on June 5th and recommended 32 projects to be funded out of Title II funds in fiscal year 2004 (October 1, 2003-September 30 2004).

The Siuslaw RAC, formed as a result of the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000 (Public Law 106-393), was tasked to select projects Under Title II of the Act for recommendation to Siuslaw National Forest Supervisor, Gloria Brown for final approval. Proposed projects include: noxious weed and invasive plant control, road improvements, meadow maintenance, trash cleanup, hazardous fuel reduction, pre-commercial thinning, and trail improvement.

The RAC will meet again prior to August 30 to continue project recommendations

Details about each project, along with meeting minutes and agendas are available on the Internet at: <http://www.fs.fed.us/r6/siuslaw>.

**For more information,** contact Bill Helphinstine, Designated Federal Official, 541-902-8526, Linda Stanley, 541-750-7210 or Anna Morrison, 541-682-4203.

### **Sand Lake Forest Lab**

*Hebo Ranger District*

T13S, R10W, S17

Develop an environmental education trail on an isolated 11-acre National Forest parcel. Intent is to provide a short, fully-accessible trail for all ages of students.

*Scoping: Ongoing*

*Decision: Undetermined*

*Implementation: Undetermined*

*Contact: Wayne Patterson, 503-392-3161*



### **Lower Siletz Watershed Analysis**

*Hebo Ranger District*

Modify existing analysis done by the Mid-Coast Watershed Council, to highlight road, stream, riparian, and vegetative conditions on National Forest lands.

*Status: Ongoing*

*Contact: Wayne Patterson, 503-392-3161*





## Schedule of Proposed Action (SOPA)

01-JUL-04 to 30-SEP-04

**SOPA: Siuslaw National Forest**

This report contains the best available information at the time the data was published. Questions may be directed to the Project Contact.

Project Name	Project Purpose	Planning Status	Decision	Expected Implementation	Project Contact
<b>Projects Occurring on more than one District</b>					
<b>Stocking Control and Diversity Enhancement</b> DW	- Watershed management - Vegetation management (other than forest products)	In Progress: Scoping start 06/10/2004	Exptd:08/01/2004	10/01/2004	Russell Volke (541) 902-6952 rvolke@fs.fed.us

**Description:** Hand-thin conifers and hardwoods up to eight inches in diameter in over-stocked 12-20 year old Douglas-fir plantations.. Weblink:<http://www.fs.fed.us/r6/siuslaw>

**Location:** UNIT- Mapleton Ranger District, Waldport Ranger District. STATE- Oregon. COUNTY- Lane, Lincoln. LEGAL- T12S,R10W; T12S,R11W; T13S,R11W; T14S,R10W; T14S,R11W; T14S,R12W; T15S,R11W; T16S,R9W; T16S,R10W; T16S,R11W; T17S,R9W; T17S,R11W; T17S,R12W. Project area is comprised of over 35 separate stands in Lane and Lincoln Counties..





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Gauldy Thin Project EA	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Watershed management - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Road management - Forest products	In Progress: Decision (DN) legal notice 02/13/2004	Exptd:07/01/2003 Actual: 02/10/2004	08/01/2004	Brent Erskine 503-392-3161 berskine@fs.fed.us
<b>Description:</b> Treat about 1,000 acres of 35 to 70 year old plantations by commercial thinning, creating snags, and underplanting. This project also closes, stabilizes and decommissions Forest Roads.  <b>Weblink:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.fed.us/r6/siuslaw">http://www.fs.fed.us/r6/siuslaw</a>					
<b>Location:</b> UNIT- Hebo Ranger District. STATE- Oregon. COUNTY- Tillamook. W.M.. Nestucca and Little Nestucca Watersheds. The project area is west of State Highway 22, north of State Highway 130, and south of US Highway 10..					
Hebo Lake Angling Enhancement DM	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Recreation management - Facility management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start : 06/01/2004			John Casteel 503-392-3161 jcasteel@fs.fed.us
<b>Description:</b> Deepen the margins of Hebo Lake and improve handicapped fishing structures..  <b>Weblink:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.fed.us/r6/siuslaw">http://www.fs.fed.us/r6/siuslaw</a>					
<b>Location:</b> UNIT- Hebo Ranger District. STATE- Oregon. COUNTY- Tillamook. Project is located at Hebo Lake, a developed recreation site..					
Moon Creek Restoration DM	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Watershed management	In Progress: Scoping start 02/02/2004	Exptd:07/01/2004	08/01/2004	John Casteel 503-392-3161 jcasteel@fs.fed.us
<b>Description:</b> Install about 10 wood structures to improve stream function.. Weblink: <a href="http://www.fs.fed.us/r6/siuslaw">http://www.fs.fed.us/r6/siuslaw</a>					
<b>Location:</b> UNIT- Hebo Ranger District. STATE- Oregon. COUNTY- Tillamook. Nestucca Watershed.					
Precommercial Thinning 2004 DM	- Vegetation management (other than forest products)	In Progress: Scoping start 02/02/2004	Exptd:08/01/2004	10/01/2004	John Johansen 503-392-3161 johansen@fs.fed.us
<b>Description:</b> Maintain growth and vigor by precommercially thinning 10 to 20 year old plantations..  <b>Weblink:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.fed.us/r6/siuslaw">http://www.fs.fed.us/r6/siuslaw</a>					
<b>Location:</b> UNIT- Hebo Ranger District. STATE- Oregon. COUNTY- Lincoln, Tillamook, Yamhill. LEGAL- District wide. District Wide.					



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Sampson Creek Habitat Improvement DM	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Watershed management	In Progress: Scoping start 02/02/2004	Exptd:04/01/2004	08/01/2004	Brent Erskine 503-392-3161 berskine@fs.fed.us
<b>Description:</b> Place large (30-36" dbh) whole conifer trees in Sampson Creek.					
	<b>Location:</b> UNIT- Hebo Ranger District. STATE- Oregon. COUNTY- Lincoln. LEGAL- T.8 S., R.9 W Sections 1 & 6. . Project located in the Drift (Siletz) Key Watershed. .				
Windjammer Project EA	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Watershed management - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Forest products	In Progress: Scoping start 09/09/2003 Est. 215 comment 05/01/2004	Exptd:09/01/2004	07/01/2005	Brent Erskine 503-392-3161 berskine@fs.fed.us
<b>Description:</b> Treat about 1,000 acres in 35 to 50 year old plantations with commercial thinning and underplanting, and create snags.. Weblink: <a href="http://www.fs.fed.us/r6/siuslaw">http://www.fs.fed.us/r6/siuslaw</a>					
	<b>Location:</b> UNIT- Hebo Ranger District. STATE- Oregon. COUNTY- Tillamook. LEGAL- T7S., R10W, Sections 31, 32, 33, 29 ,29; T8S, R10W, Sections 4, 5, 6; W.M.. Drift (Siletz) Watershed.				



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<b>Oregon Dunes National Recreation Area</b>					
Erbart Lake Restoration DM	- Watershed management - Vegetation management (other than forest products)	In Progress: Scoping start 05/01/2004	Exptd:07/01/2004	10/01/2004	Mike Northrop (541) 902-6960 <a href="mailto:mnorthrop@fs.fed.us">mnorthrop@fs.fed.us</a>
	<b>Description:</b> Develop invasive weed control plan for lagoon and nearby lakes and ponds.. <b>Weblink:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.fed.us/6/siuslaw">http://www.fs.fed.us/6/siuslaw</a>				
	<b>Location:</b> UNIT- Oregon Dunes National Recreation Area. STATE- Oregon. COUNTY- Lane. LEGAL- T19S, R12W, S33; W.M.. Approximately 10 miles south of Florence, Oregon.				
OHV Sand Camping Project EA	- Recreation management	In Progress: Scoping start 10/15/2003 Est. 215 comment 07/01/2004	Exptd:08/01/2004	01/01/2005	Sharon Stewart 541-271-6071 <a href="mailto:sstewart@fs.fed.us">sstewart@fs.fed.us</a>
	<b>Description:</b> Designate 130 to 180 dispersed campsites in the motorized areas of the NRA; increase staging area capacity at Horsfall and Hauser Staging Areas.. <b>Weblink:</b> <a href="http://www.fs.fed.us/r6/siuslaw">http://www.fs.fed.us/r6/siuslaw</a>				
	<b>Location:</b> UNIT- Oregon Dunes National Recreation Area. STATE- Oregon. COUNTY- Coos, Douglas, Lane. LEGAL- T.19,22,23, and 24S, R.12 and 13W. WM.. Motorized areas of the Oregon Dunes National Recreation Area.				





projected or actual dates will be updated in subsequent quarterly reports.

date, and project contact, as well as, the location of the project, and a brief description of the proposed action. These information provided for each action includes project name, project purpose, planning status, expected decision type and Watershed Management, Wildlife, Fish and Rare Plants, Road management, Vegetation Management, etc. The proposed actions are grouped by Ranger District and under each district are listed categories (Recreation, Special Uses, Watershed Management, Wildlife, Fish and Rare Plants, Road management, Vegetation Management, etc.). The FOIA, confidentiality may be granted in only very limited circumstances, such as to protect trade secrets.

Information Act (FOIA) permits such confidentiality. Persons requesting such confidentiality should be aware that, under FOIA, a person may request the agency to withhold a submission from the public record by showing how the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) would be appealed the subsequent decision under 36 CFR Part 215. Additionally, pursuant to 7 CFR 1.27(d), any person who submits many nouns will be accepted and considered; however, those who only submit anonymous comments will not have standing to appeal the subsequent decision under 36 CFR Part 215. Additionally, persons who submit anonymous comments receive to this solicitation, including names and addresses of those who comment, will be considered part of the public record for proposed projects and will be available for public inspection. Comments received in response to this solicitation, including names and addresses of those who comment, will be categorized of actions. If you are already on a mailing list, notify the contact person by mail or phone.

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This is an opportunity for your involvement. The list contains proposed actions and actions for which there already underway. This update is provided to give you an overview of proposed actions on the Siuslaw National Forest in the event you would like to comment. Detailed descriptions of proposed actions can be obtained by notifying the "contact person" associated with the given project. In some cases, mailing lists have already been established for an action or comments received in response to this solicitation, including names and addresses of those who comment, will be considered part of the public record for proposed projects and will be available for public inspection. Comments received in response to this solicitation, including names and addresses of those who comment, will be submitted anonymously. Those who submit anonymous comments will not be accepted and considered; however, those who only submit anonymous comments receive to this solicitation, including names and addresses of those who comment, will be accepted and considered.

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