

DESIGNATION ORDER/DECISION NOTICE

An Order establishing Shaketable Research Natural Area

By virtue of the authority vested in me by the Secretary of Agriculture under regulations 7 CFR 2.42 and 36 CFR 251.23, this is my Designation Order to establish the Shaketable Research Natural Area. The Shaketable Research Natural Area shall be comprised of lands described in the section of the Establishment Record entitled "Location".

Regional Forester John Butruille recommended the establishment of the Shaketable Research Natural Area in the Malheur National Forest Land and Resource Management Plan dated May 25, 1990 which is incorporated into this document by reference. That recommendation was the result of an analysis of the factors listed in 36 CFR 219.25 and Forest Service Manual 4063.41. The results of the Regional Forester's analysis are documented in the Final Environmental Impact Statement for the Malheur National Forest Land and Resource Management Plan. The Establishment Record for the Shaketable Research Natural Area is available to the public.

The Shaketable Research Natural Area will be managed in compliance with all relevant laws, regulations and Manual direction regarding Research Natural Areas. The Shaketable Research Natural Area will be administered in accordance with the management direction identified in the Establishment Record. The Malheur National Forest Land and Resource Management Plan is hereby amended to be consistent with the management direction identified in the Establishment Record and this Designation Order. This direction will remain in effect unless amended pursuant to 36 CFR 219.10. This is a non-significant amendment of the Malheur National Forest Land and Resource Management Plan.

Based on the Environmental Analysis documented in the Malheur National Forest Land and Resource Management Plan, the Environmental Impact Statement, and the Establishment Record, I find that designation of the Shaketable Research Natural Area is not a major Federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment.

The Forest Supervisor of the Malheur National Forest shall notify the public of this amendment and will mail a copy of the Designation Order and amended direction to persons on the Malheur National Forest Land and Resource Management Plan mailing list.

/s/ Liz Agapoa

Regional Forester

April 24, 2008

Date