

**Forsythe II Project: Changes from Initial Proposal to Project Decision  
Roosevelt National Forest, July 2017**

	<b>Forsythe II Initial Proposal</b>	<b>Forsythe II Proposed Action</b>	<b>Forsythe II Draft Decision</b>	<b>Forsythe II Decision</b>	<b>Total Change from Initial Proposal to Final Decision</b>	<b>Reason for Change from Draft Decision to Final Decision</b>
Total Acres Planned	3,839	3,901	3,892	3,234	In response to public feedback and specialist input, reduced planning area by more than 600 acres	Units were dropped or reduced in size based on public feedback and Deputy Regional Forester (DRF) direction to include no cut buffer. These changes respond to Consolidated Objection #6; Long Objection #2 and #3.
Total Treatment Acres	3,540	3,212	2,855	2,462	In response to public feedback and specialist input, reduced treatment acres by 1,080 acres	Units were dropped or reduced in size based on public feedback and DRF direction to include no cut buffer. These changes respond to Consolidated Objection #6; Long Objection #2 and #3.
Patchcut Size/Clearcut Size	1-5 acres/5-20 acres	1-5 acres/5-20 acres	1-5 acres/5-10 acres	1-5 acres/5-10 acres	In response to public feedback, reduced size of clearcuts to a max of 10 acres	No Change
Lodgepole Unit Acres	1,496	1,378	1,482	1,104	In response to public feedback, reduced by nearly 400 acres	Units were dropped or reduced in size based on public feedback and DRF direction to include no cut buffer. These changes respond to Consolidated Objection #6; Long Objection #2 and #3.
% of Unit Treated in Lodgepole	80	50	30	30	In response to specialist input and public feedback, reduced percentage of lodgepole that can be treated in each planning unit from 80% to 30%	No Change
Lodgepole Treatment Acres	1,197	689	445	331	Reduced lodgepole treatment by 866 acres	Units were dropped or reduced in size based on public feedback and DRF direction to include no cut buffer. Added design criteria to retain mixed conifer inclusions (1/2 acre or less) These changes respond to Consolidated Objection #6; Long Objection #2 and #3.
Lodgepole Regeneration Thin Acres	not broken out	14	17	17	In response to public feedback, delineated previous patchcuts into regeneration thin units	No Change

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Mixed Conifer Treatment Acres	1,425	1,594	1,449	1,233	In response to public feedback, delineated mixed conifer stands into DF dominated or PP dominated treatments. Reduced mixed conifer treatment by 361 acres	Units were dropped or reduced in size based on public feedback and DRF direction to include no cut buffer. These changes respond to Consolidated Objection #6; Long Objection #3.
% Basal Area Reduction in Mixed Conifer Treatment	50	40% (30% for Old Growth)	40% DF/50% PP/ 30% Old Growth	40% DF/50% PP/ 30% Old Growth	In response to public feedback, delineated mixed conifer stands into DF dominated or PP dominated treatments. Reduced amount of basal area reduction in mixed conifer stands and delineated old growth	No Change
Maximum Diameter Cut Limit (inches)	None	16	14	14	In response to public feedback and specialist input, set a diameter cut limit	Added design criteria to adjust cut limit lower based on stand conditions (max cut limit remains at 14). This change responds to Consolidated Objection #6; Long Objection #8 and #11
Aspen Restoration Treatment Acres	196	193	231	189	Reduced aspen treatment by 42 acres	Units were dropped or reduced in size based on DRF direction to include no cut buffer. In response to an email from Vivian Long to Sylvia, reduced distance a conifer could be cut from the edge of the aspen clone to 30 feet.
Meadow/Shrubland Restoration Treatment Acres	54	54	45	37	Reduced meadow/shrubland treatment by 17 acres	Units were dropped or reduced in size based on DRF direction to include no cut buffer.
Broadcast Burn	968	968	968	945	Reduced burn size by 23 acres	Units were dropped or reduced in size based on DRF direction to include no cut buffer. Reduced overstory mortality acceptance to 25% from 35%. These changes respond to Long Objection #16.
Defensible Space Acres	not totaled	1,969	2,032	2,187	Increased amount of area that can be treated as defensible space	Based on DRF direction, delineated defensible space around private property only. Increased acres are result of unit acres being dropped due to no cut buffer. These changes respond to Long Objection #17.

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No Cut Buffer (Acres)	none	none	none	653 (395 treatment acres)	Instituted a no cut buffer around private property, except for defensible space where requested by property owner	Based on DRF direction, delineated no cut buffer around private property only. This change responds to Consolidated Objection #9 and #14; Long Objection #17 and #25.