

HERITAGE RESOURCES REPORT

for the

Mt. Ashland LSR Habitat Restoration and Fuels Reduction Project

Initial consultation with California and Oregon SHPO offices took place on June 16, 2006. An archaeological reconnaissance was performed within the project area and an Archaeological Reconnaissance Report (ARR) has been prepared. This report is referenced as ARR Number 05-05-1651.

Documentation is on file in the Heritage Resource Department of the Klamath National Forest Supervisor's Office. A final ARR will be submitted to the Oregon SHPO office. Requirements of the *First Amended Regional Programmatic Agreement Among the USDA Forest Service, Pacific Southwest Region, California State Historic Preservation Officer, And Advisory Council on Historic Preservation Regarding The Process for Compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act For Undertakings On The National Forests Of The Pacific Southwest Region (PA)* are being followed for the project area within California and will also be documented in the ARR.

The National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) requires protection of all significant heritage resources. In compliance with 36 CFR 800.1 – 800.4 for the portion of the project area in Oregon and with Region 5 Programmatic Agreement for Compliance with Section 106 of the NHPA (Provision III. D. (2)), relevant archaeological sites have been identified and will be protected by applying standard resource protection measures in or adjacent to the Area of Potential Effect (APE).

To date, a literature search entailing the review of records, historic photos, oral histories, and an archaeological survey have been performed within the project area. In general, the railroad logging camps have been recorded. The railroad line and logging systems will be discussed within a contextual history which will provide mitigation for the implementation of the proposed project.

The proposed Mt. Ashland LSR Project lies within traditional territory of the Shasta People. Previous archaeological investigations have occurred within the proposed Project area. These investigations were conducted for the following Archaeological Reconnaissance Reports: ARR #05-05-242 Smokey Timber Sale; ARR #05-05-456 (A-C) Archaeological Assessment

Survey of the Oregon and California Lands; ARR #05-05-686 Meridian Timber Sale; ARR #05-05-903 Long John Timber Harvest Project; ARR #05-05-904 Cow Timber Harvest Project; ARR #05-05-905 Cottonwood Timber Harvest Project; ARR #05-05-1602 O'Boy Plantation Thin 2003; ARR #05-05-1608 Siskiyou Crest Fuels, and ARR 05-05-1637 Tennis Thin.

All sites are considered eligible to the National Register of Historic Places until such time they are evaluated under NRHP criteria. Historic properties located within or adjacent to the proposed project area are:

- #05-05-51-34 Cottonwood Camp
- #05-05-51-84 Hopkins
- #05-05-51-85 Headworks and Ditch
- #05-05-51-86 Flume and Trestle
- #05-05-51-87 Railroad Logging System
- #05-05-51-88 Donkey Engine Site
- #05-05-51-89 Landing Area-Donkey
- #05-05-51-90 Hunters Camp
- #05-05-51-91 Lumber Cull Logs (Portable Mill)
- #05-05-51-96 Can Dumps
- #05-05-51-97 Hunters Camp
- #05-05-51-99 Grouse Creek Meadow Site
- #05-05-51-100 L.R. Morris Cabin
- #05-05-51-103 Camp 22
- #05-05-51-134 Camp 16
- #05-05-51-135 Railroad Grade
- #05-05-51-140 Donkey Engine Site
- #05-05-51-145 Collapsed Cabin
- #05-05-51-146 Logging Camp
- #05-05-51-207 Railroad Logging Debris
- #05-05-51-208 Camp 17
- #05-05-51-210 Davis Hunting Camp Site

Of the 22 archaeological sites within or adjacent to the project area, six sites situated adjacent to designated treatment stands will be flagged and avoided. No disturbance will occur.

The environmental consequences of implementing any one of the alternatives would have “no effect” to historic properties because these properties would be avoided by project design. Historic properties will be fully protected utilizing avoidance protection measures.

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