

HAUNS Stewardship

The Hauns Stewardship is located North and East of Greenville (T27N R8E Section 35; T26N R8E Sections 1 and 2; T27N R9E Section 6 and 7; T27N R9E Sections 17, 19, and 20).

The Forest Service proposes to modify fire behavior, improve forest and watershed health, protect and enhance habitat for sensitive plants and wildlife, and reduce the spread and introduction of noxious weeds within the Keddie Ridge Hazardous Fuels Reduction Project (ROD signed December, 2011) area. The Hauns Stewardship Project is an integral component to the larger Keddie Ridge Hazardous Fuels Reduction Project. Within the Hauns Stewardship Project area there are hazardous fuel conditions and less than ideal forest health conditions. The Hauns Stewardship Project addresses the following objectives:

- Reducing Hazardous Fuel Accumulation
- Improving Forest Health
- Improving Watershed Health

The dominant vegetation type within the project area is Sierra mixed conifer. Other vegetation types include ponderosa pine, hardwood, chaparral, and white fir/red fir at higher elevations. Wildlife habitat in the area supports most species common in the northern Sierra Nevada. The majority of the project area has abundant surface and ladder fuels and shade-tolerant species in the understory. In order to increase vegetative diversity and reduce hazardous fuels, this project proposes:

- the thinning and removal of sawtimber sized trees in order to achieve a heterogeneous variable density stand structure
- the removal of sawtimber sized trees from a number of Group Selection units
- the cutting and yarding of biomass from the project area