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News Release

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Open House Scheduled for Magone Project Scoping Period

JOHN DAY, OR – The Blue Mountain Ranger District invites you to actively participate in the scoping process for the Magone Project Proposed Action by attending an open house on Tuesday Feb. 24th from 5:00 to 8:00 pm at the Grant County Regional Airport, 720 Airport Road in John Day.

The overall purpose of this project is to restore forest resiliency by reestablishing and restoring forest structure and pattern, vegetation composition and diversity, and riparian communities to conditions that are more resilient to natural disturbance processes. These actions are proposed on the Blue Mountain Ranger District approximately 7 miles north of John Day in Grant County, Oregon, within the Grub Creek and East Fork Beech Creek subwatersheds that drain into the Upper John Day River.

The scoping package is available on the Malheur National Forest website at:
<http://www.fs.usda.gov/projects/malheur/landmanagement/projects>

The next step is to analyze this proposal under a formal environmental review. To help determine the scope of that review and start the analysis, we are requesting stakeholder comments. Comments will be used to help develop alternatives to the proposed action and identify analysis issues.

Written comments concerning the project may be submitted using the following methods: Postal mail or hand delivery: Blue Mountain Ranger District, c/o Sasha Fertig, 431 Patterson Bridge Road / P.O. Box 909, John Day, OR 97845; e-mail message: comments-pacificnorthwest-malheur-bluemountain@fs.fed.us; or fax: 541-575-3319.

Written comments shall include your name, address, and (if possible) telephone number; organization represented if any, title of document on which the comment is being submitted, and specific facts or comments along with supporting reasons that you believe the Responsible Official should consider in reaching a decision; and your signature. For objection eligibility each individual or representative from each entity must either sign the comments or verify identity upon request. In cases using an electronic message, a scanned signature is one way to provide verification.

For further information or to RSVP for the meeting, contact Sasha Fertig (Planner) by phone at 541-575-3061 or email at sashafertig@fs.fed.us or Randy Kyes (Planner) at 541-575-3058 or rkyes@fs.fed.us.



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