



# Siskiyou County Resource Advisory Committee (RAC) Workshop

September 28<sup>th</sup> 2015

Klamath NF Supervisors Office  
Yreka, CA

# Secure Rural Schools and Community Self Determination Act of 2000

- Passed to assist rural Counties whose budgets were negatively affected by cut backs in harvesting of National Forest Timber
- The SRS Act was reauthorized for a two year extension by section 524 of P.L. 114-10, which was signed into law on April 16, 2015.

# Title II funds Cont..

- The SRS Act funding includes approximately \$28 million nationwide in Title II funding which can be used to complete special restoration projects on Federal lands proposed by resource advisory committees. Additional Title II funding will be available in FY 2016.
- Siskiyou county received \$334,412.00 for 2015 and is expected to receive 95% of that amount for 2016. Making a little over a half million dollars available for new RAC projects.

# RAC is a Federal Advisory Committee

- All meetings are public meetings
- RAC makes recommendations to the Forest Service on which projects to fund.
- Klamath National Forest Supervisor Patty Grantham is the Designated Federal Official (DFO) who is responsible to ensure that the legislation is adhered to and is the final decision maker on funding projects.

# RAC Membership

- Three sub-groups
  - Group A – 5 members
    - Organized Labor or non-timber forest product harvester groups
    - Developed outdoor recreation, commercial recreation activities
    - Commercial Timber
    - Energy or mineral development
    - Federal grazing permit holders or other special use permit holders
  - Group B – 5 members
    - Nationally recognized environmental organization
    - Regionally, or locally recognized environmental organization
    - Dispersed recreation activities
    - Nationally or regionally recognized wild horse and burro interest groups
  - Group C – 5 members
    - Hold State office or their designee
    - Hold county or local elected office
    - Represent American Indian tribes within or adjacent to the committee area
    - School official or teacher
    - Public at large

# Submitting Proposals

- The RAC is now accepting submissions for proposals
- All proposals received before the first of the month will be reviewed at that month's meeting. October 5<sup>th</sup> will be the cut off date for proposal review at the October 26<sup>th</sup> RAC meeting. The meeting will start at 4:00pm.
- To move forward proposals must be approved by at least 9 RAC members, including a minimum of three members from each sub-category.

# Proposal submissions

- Visit <http://www.fs.usda.gov/klamath/> click on submit a RAC project proposal.

The screenshot shows the website for the Klamath National Forest, part of the USDA Forest Service. The page features a navigation menu on the left with categories like 'Site Map', 'Klamath National Forest', and 'Home'. A central banner highlights the '2014 Klamath National Forest Fire Season Review' with a photo of a fire. On the right, a 'Quick Links' section contains several items, with 'Submit a RAC project proposal' circled in red. Below this is an 'Alerts & Warnings' section with fire-related notices.

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2014 Klamath National Forest Fire Season Review

Westside Fire Recovery Project Information

Quick Links

- Project Activity Level/ Fire Precautions
- RAC member Application Package
- Submit a RAC project proposal
- Downloadable Forest Service Quad Maps
- USGS Real-Time River Flows
- Google Earth Klamath River Map
- Subscribe to the Klamath National Forest Email Update List

Alerts & Warnings

- Gasquet Complex Bear Fire Emergency Closure Order 15-05-770
- 2015 Temporary River Access and Area Closures
- Klamath National Forest under Fire Restrictions beginning July 2, 2015

View All Forest Alerts

## NEW PROJECT

Name of Resource  
Advisory Committee:



2. Project Name :

3a. State:

3b. County:

4. Project Submitted by:

5. Date:

6. Contact Phone:

7. Contact E-Mail:

8. Project Location

a. National Forest:

b. Forest Service District:

c. Location (Township-  
Range-Section):

9. Project Goals and  
Objectives:

10. Project Description

a. Brief: (in one sentence):

b. Detailed:



11. State/Private/Other lands involved?

--None--

Land Status:

--None--

If Yes, specify:

12. How does the proposed project meet purposes of the Legislation? (check at least 1)

- Available
- Improves maintenance of infrastructure
- Implements stewardship objectives
- Restores and improves land health
- Restores water quality

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- Chosen

13. Project Type (if you edit and delete a project type, please be sure to zero out the accomplishment in block 14 for that item first)

a. Check all that apply: (check at least 1)

- Available
- Road Maintenance
- Road Decommission/Obliteration
- Trail Maintenance
- Trail Obliteration

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- Chosen

b. Primary Purpose: (select only 1)

--None--

Describe other project type:

14. Identify what the project will accomplish

#	Quantity	Accomplishment
1		--None--
2		--None--
3		--None--

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15. Estimated Project Start Date:  [ 9/15/2015 ]

16. Estimated Project Completion Date:  [ 9/15/2015 ]

17. List known partnerships or collaborative opportunities:



18. Identify benefits to communities (max 12 lines):



19. How does this project benefit federal lands/resources? (max 12 lines)

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20. What is the proposed method(s) of accomplishment? (check at least 1)

Available		Chosen
Americorps	↑	
YCC/CCC Crews	→	
Contract	↓	
Federal Workforce	←	

21. Will this project generate merchantable

--None-- ▾

# 22. Anticipated Project Cost

Please submit this worksheet with your proposal

Browser navigation bar showing address: http://cloudapps-usda.gov/force.com/FSSRS/CreateNewProjectpage. Tabs include: Diana Vickers: The Boy Who M..., Klamath National Forest - Home, Submit SRS project. Browser menu items: File, Edit, View, Favorites, Tools, Help. Suggested Sites: Web Slice Gallery. Page controls: Page, Safety, Tools.

a. Please fill out a project cost form for each fiscal year the project will be funded:

Item	Column A Fed. Agency Appropriated Contribution	Column B Requested Title II Contribution	Column C Other Contributions	Column D Total Available Funds
Field Work & Site Surveys	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
NEPA/CEQA	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
ESA Consultation	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Permit Acquisition	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Project Design & Engineering	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Contract/Grant Preparation	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Contract/Grant Administration	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Contract/Grant Cost	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Salaries	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Materials & Supplies	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Monitoring	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Other	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Other	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Other	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Project Sub-Tota	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
FS Indirect Costs	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

**Notes:**

**Field Work & Site Survey** reflects Pre-NEPA Costs

**Contract/Grant Administration** includes Contracting Officer Representative (COR) cost. Excludes Contracting Officer costs.

**Salaries** - Cost of implementing project.

Examples for "**Other**" include equipment rentals, travel, etc.

**FS indirect costs** including contracting/grant officer costs if needed.

23. Source of other contributions:

## 24. Monitoring Plan

a. Provide a plan that describes your process for tracking and explaining the effects of this project on your environmental and community goals outlined above

Monitoring Plan:

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b. Identify who will conduct the monitoring:

c. Identify total funding needed to carry out specified monitoring tasks.

Monitoring Costs:

Identify remedies for failure to comply with terms of the agreement.

If project cannot be completed under the terms of this agreement:

If other is selected, explain:

Monitoring Remedies:

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**Submit Project:**

Submit Project

# What does the RAC look for?

- Does it meet the legislation ?
- Completeness and clarity of proposal
- Matching contributions (amount and type)
- Employment created and/or retained in Siskiyou County
- Partnerships
- Cost/benefit ratio
- Does the project benefit or build on other activities
- Others...

# Project Eligibility

To meet funding (Title II) requirements, projects should enhance forest ecosystems, restore and improve the health of the land and water quality; and, protect, restore and enhance fish and wildlife habitat. Examples of enhancements are maintenance or obliteration of roads, trails, and infrastructure; improvement of soil productivity; stream and watershed restoration; control of noxious and exotic weeds; and, re-establishment of native species. These projects provide employment in rural communities and an opportunity for local citizens to advise the Forest Service, through participation in RACs, on projects of mutual interest that benefit the environment and the economy.

\*Projects must be NEPA/CEQA compliant (to receive federal funding even if they occur on privately held lands).

# Examples of Past Projects

- Brush clearing
- Thinning/Fuels reduction
- Fire break construction
- Road and/or trail maintenance
- Noxious weed removal
- Environmental education
- Fish Screens
- Riparian Restoration
- Meadow Restoration
- Shaded Fuel Breaks
- Many More...

# Monitoring

- Depending on the project annual or quarterly progress and financial reports will be required.
- A final accomplishment report will be required, the report should assess the whole length of the project.
- Reports should highlight: On the ground accomplishments, economic benefits and intangible benefits.
- All reports should be submitted to the KNF Partnership Coordinator Natalie Stovall [nstovall@fs.fed.us](mailto:nstovall@fs.fed.us) or hard mail  
1711 S. Main St
- Yreka Ca, 96097
- Attn: Natalie Stovall

# Closing out grants and agreements

Once a project is completed. Final payment/reimbursements must be reconciled. Final reports must be received within 90 days of project completion. Grant must be closed out will formal G & A process

A scenic landscape photograph featuring a dense forest of evergreen trees in the foreground and middle ground. In the background, a range of mountains is visible under a clear blue sky, with several peaks covered in snow. The overall scene is bright and clear, suggesting a sunny day.

Questions??