UMPQUA NATIONAL FOREST REVIEW

QUARTERLY SCHEDULE OF PROPOSED ACTIONS

OCTOBER 2008

With this Schedule of Proposed Actions, you'll find information that covers environmental analyses in progress on the Umpqua National Forest. This publication is our way of keeping you informed and involved in our plans and progress. We focus these activities on protecting, conserving, using, and restoring forest ecosystems. Each activity lists a contact person if you want additional information or to share ideas.

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Sincerely,

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10/01/2008 to 12/31/2008
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Geothermal Leasing Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement EIS	- Regulations, Directives, Orders	In Progress: DEIS NOA in Federal Register 06/13/2008 Est. FEIS NOA in Federal Register 10/2008	Expected:12/2008	02/2009	Peter Gaulke 703-605-4796 tparker03@fs.fed.us
	Description: The Bureau of Land Management and Forest Service are preparing a joint Programmatic Environmental Impac Statement to analyze the leasing of BLM and USFS administered lands with moderate to high potential for geothermal resources in 11 western states. **Web Link:** http://www.blm.gov/wo/st/en/prog/energy/geothermal/geothermal_nationwide.html				
	Location: UNIT - Clearwater National Forest All Units, Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest All Units, Bitterroot National Forest All Units, Lewis And Clark National Forest All Units, Medicine Bow-Routt National Forest All Units, San Juan National Forest All Units, White River National Forest All Units, Carson National Forest All Units, Cibola National Forest All Units, Coronado National Forest All Units, Gila National Forest All Units, Lincoln National Forest All Units, Boise National Forest All Units, Bridger-Teton National Forest All Units, Dixie National Forest All Units, Fishlake National Forest All Units, Payette National Forest All Units, Salmon-Challis National Forest All Units, Sawtooth National Forest All Units, Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest All Units, Uinta National Forest All Units, Cleveland National Forest All Units, Eldorado National Forest All Units, Lassen National Forest All Units, Los Padres National Forest All Units, Mendocino National Forest All Units, Modoc National Forest All Units, San Bernardino National Forest All Units, Sequoia National Forest All Units, Tahoe National Forest All Units, Gifford Pinchot National Forest All Units, Malheur National Forest All Units, Mt Baker-Snoqualmie National Forest All Units, Rogue River-Siskiyou National Forest All Units, Umpqua National Forest All Units, Wallowa-Whitman National Forest All Units, Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest All Units, Willamette National Forest All Units, R10 - Alaska Region All Units, Custer National Forest All Units, Rio Grande National Forest All Units, Apache-Sitgreaves National Forests All Units, Wasatch-Cache National Forest All Units, Klamath National Forest All Units, Sierra National Forest All Units, Ochoco National Forest All Units, Gallatin National Forest All Units, Helena National Forest All Units, Grand Mesa Uncompahgre and Gunnison National Forest All Units, Santa Fe National Forest All Units, Angeles National Forest All Units, Plumas National Forest All Units, Fremont-Winema National Forest All Units, Umatilla National Forest All Units, Lolo National Forest All Units, Nez Perce National Forest All Units, Arapaho and Roosevelt National Forests All Units, Manti-Lasal National Forest All Units, Caribou-Targhee National Forest All Units, Shasta Trinity National Forest All Units, Deschutes National Forest All Units, Mt. Hood National Forest All Units, Tonto National Forest All Units, Inyo National Forest All Units, Pike and San Isabel National Forests and Cimarron and Comanche National Grasslands All Units, Washington Office (National Headquarter). STATE - Wyoming, Washington, Utah, Texas, South Dakota, Oregon, Oklahoma, North Dakota, New Mexico, Nevada, Nebraska, Montana, Kansas, Idaho, District of Columbia, Colorado, California, Arizona, Alaska. COUNTY - Aleutians East, La Paz, Colusa, Denver, Douglas, Bonner, Columbia, Coos. 11 contiguous Western States (Arizona, California, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, New Mexico, Nevada, Oregon, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming) and Alaska.				

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R6 - Pacific Northwest Region, Occurring in more than one Forest (excluding Regionwide)					
Pacific Connector Gas Pipeline EIS	- Special use management	In Progress: NOI in Federal Register 06/23/2006 Est. DEIS NOA in Federal Register 08/2008	Expected:05/2009	08/2009	Wes Yamamoto 541-825-3150 wyamamoto@fs.fed.us
	Description: Easement for new gas pipeline construction across 3 National Forests (Umpqua, Rogue-River-Siskiyou, Fremont-Winema). Includes amendments to Land and Resource Management Plans.				
	Location: UNIT - Tiller Ranger District, Klamath Ranger District, High Cascades Ranger District. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Douglas, Jackson, Klamath. Proposed route includes approx 14 miles on Umpqua NF, Tiller RD; 14 miles on Rogue River-Siskiyou NF, High Cascades RD; 3 miles on Fremont-Winema NF, Klamath RD.				

Umpqua National Forest, Forestwide (excluding Projects occurring in more than one Forest)					**R6 - Pacific Northwest Region**
Umpqua National Forest Travel Management Plan EA	- Road management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 10/2008	Expected:07/2009	09/2009	Scott Elefritz 541-957-3437 selefritz@fs.fed.us
	Description: The Umpqua National Forest is preparing a Travel Management Plan in accordance with the Final Travel Management Rule, designating routes and areas for motorized use. **Web Link:** http://www.fs.fed.us/r6/umpqua/projects/				
	Location: UNIT - Umpqua National Forest All Units. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Douglas, Jackson, Lane. LEGAL - Forest-wide. Umpqua National Forest.				

Umpqua National Forest Cottage Grove Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)					**R6 - Pacific Northwest Region**
Dorena Water Project CE	- Facility management	Completed	Actual: 08/18/2008	09/2008	John Petrick 541-767-5720 japetrick@fs.fed.us
	Description: In cooperation with the US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), develop a replacement potable water source and distribution system to service the Center and adjoining USACE facilities due to 09/2008 suspension of service by the City of Cottage Grove.				
	Location: UNIT - Cottage Grove Ranger District. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Lane. LEGAL - 34963 Shoreview Road, Cottage Grove, and adjoining US Army Corps of Engineers Facilities. Dorena Genetic Resource Center.				

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Umpqua National Forest	**Cottage Grove Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)**				**R6 - Pacific Northwest Region**
Special Use Permits for City of Cottage Grove and Row River Valley Water District CE	- Special use management	Completed	Actual: 07/23/2008	10/2008	Cindy Pack 541-767-5015 cpack@fs.fed.us
	Description: The City of Cottage Grove will reclaim non-viable water treatment facilities and the Row River Valley Water District proposes to take over and continue use of the viable water treatment facilities in Layng Creek, both under Special Use management.				
	Location: UNIT - Cottage Grove Ranger District. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Lane. LEGAL - Rujada Dam, T21S, R1E, Sec.31, Prather Creek T21S, R1E, Sec.30. Layng Creek Watershed.				

Umpqua National Forest	**Diamond Lake Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)**				**R6 - Pacific Northwest Region**
Cat Ski Mt. Bailey Special Use Permit Renewal CE	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 08/15/2008	Expected:10/2008	11/2008	Derek Ibarguen 541 498-2531 dibarguen@fs.fed.us
	Description: Renew existing Cat Ski Mt. Bailey Special Use Authorization with no increase in intensity or scope of activities. Special use authorization expires 10/31/08.				
	Location: UNIT - Diamond Lake Ranger District. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Douglas. Diamond Lake Ranger District, Mt. Bailey.				
D-Bug Hazard Reduction Timber Sale Project EIS	- Fuels management - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Forest products	In Progress: NOI in Federal Register 01/22/2008 Est. DEIS NOA in Federal Register 10/2008	Expected:01/2009	06/2009	Debbie Anderson 541-957-3466 danderson01@fs.fed.us
	Description: This project proposes to manage the existing and future bark beetle outbreak and reduce hazardous fuels in areas of high human use around Diamond and Lemolo Lakes. Both commercial and non-commercial treatments are being considered. **Web Link:** http://www.fs.fed.us/r6/umpqua/projects/				
	Location: UNIT - Diamond Lake Ranger District. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Douglas. LEGAL - Portions of T26S, R5E, T26S, R5.5E, T27S, R5E, T27S, R5.5 E, T28S, R5E, T28S, R5.5 E, T29S, R5.5E. The area from Lemolo Lake south to the boundary with Crater Lake National Park.				

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Umpqua National Forest	**Diamond Lake Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)**				**R6 - Pacific Northwest Region**
Fish Creek Forebay Chinquapin Restoration CE	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Vegetation management (other than forest products)	In Progress: Scoping Start 06/16/2008 Est. 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 10/2008	Expected:11/2008	05/2009	Jeff Bohler 541-498-2531 jbohler@fs.fed.us
	Description: This is a Pacificorp mitigation fund project that removes conifer encroachment on an existing stand of chinquapin adjacent to the Fish Creek Forebay.				
	Location: UNIT - Diamond Lake Ranger District. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Douglas. LEGAL - T26S R3E Section 33. Adjacent to the Fish Creek Forebay within the Lower Fish Creek 6th field watershed.				
Leap Timber Sale EA	- Forest products - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants	Cancelled	N/A	N/A	Debbie Anderson 541-957-3466 danderson01@fs.fed.us
	Description: This project proposes thinning about 1300 acres of natural stands on the Diamond Lake RD. The area is in elk winter range near Thorne Prairie. Treating of slash and other connected actions will also occur. **Web Link:** http://www.fs.fed.us/r6/umpqua/projects/projectdocs/leap-ts/index.shtml				
	Location: UNIT - Diamond Lake Ranger District. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Douglas. LEGAL - All or portions of T26S, R3E, Section 1; T26S, R4E, Secs 7, 9, 11, 12, 16, 17, 18. Natural stands in and around Thorne Prairie and Mountain Meadows.				
PacifiCorp Communications Site Special Use Permit (SUP) - Exploration CE	- Special use management	In Progress: Scoping Start 07/07/2008	Expected:10/2008	12/2008	Pam Sichting 541-957-3342 psichting@fs.fed.us
	Description: PacifiCorp has applied for a special-use permit to construct a Communication Site on NFS land located along Watson Ridge of the Diamond Lake RD. This site will provide a means to communicate remotely in near real-time with the control center.				
	Location: UNIT - Diamond Lake Ranger District. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Douglas. LEGAL - SW 1/4 of Section 28, T. 26 S., R. 4 E., W.M. Umpqua National Forest, Diamond Lake R.D., Douglas County, Oregon; located on Watson Ridge.				
Whitethorn Timber Sale CE	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 10/2008	Expected:04/2009	07/2009	Jeff Bohler 541-498-2531 jbohler@fs.fed.us
	Description: This project would variable density, commercially thin and treat activity fuels with fire within a 70 acre mature stand within matrix lands; in order to enhance big game winter range shrubland habitat conditions & promote pine health.				
	Location: UNIT - Diamond Lake Ranger District. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Douglas. LEGAL - T26S, R4E, Section 14, Willamette Meridian. Adjacent to Thorn Prairie and Prairie Thin Timber Sale.				

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Umpqua National Forest	**North Umpqua Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)**				**R6 - Pacific Northwest Region**
Brown Street Property Conveyance CE	- Land ownership management	Cancelled	N/A	N/A	Ron McMullin 541-496-3532 rgmcmullin@fs.fed.us
	Description: Sale of Government owned real estate (three government owned houses)				
	Location: UNIT - North Umpqua Ranger District. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Douglas. LEGAL - E1/2, NW1/4, Section 19, T26S, R03W, WM. Brown Street Residential Site, Glide, Oregon 97443.				
Emile Timber Sale EA	- Forest products	Completed	Actual: 09/03/2008 09/03/2008	11/2008	Sherri Chambers 541-496-3532 schambers@fs.fed.us
	Description: Analyze for commercial thinning on approximately 2,800 acres.				
	Location: UNIT - North Umpqua Ranger District. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Douglas. LEGAL - T26S and T27S, R01W. Little River 5th field watershed, Emile 6th field watershed, land base surrounding Willow Flats.				
Lake- in- the- Woods Dam Repairs CE	- Regulations, Directives, Orders	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 07/2008	Expected:09/2008	09/2008	Todd Buchholz 541-957-3338 tbuchholz@fs.fed.us
	Description: Make repairs to dam spill way and clear vegetation that is gowing on and damaging the earthen dam face.				
	Location: UNIT - North Umpqua Ranger District. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Douglas. LEGAL - T27S, R01E, Section 17. Lake-in-the-Woods, North Umpqua Ranger District.				
Steamboat Stand Improvement Project CE	- Fuels management - Vegetation management (other than forest products)	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 10/2008	Expected:02/2009	10/2009	Michael Brown 541-496-3532 michaelebrown@fs.fed.us
	Description: Prescribed burning and non-commercial thinning around the Steamboat Work Center, Steamboat Inn, and north of the the North Umpqua Trail near the Steamboat Work Center.				
	Location: UNIT - North Umpqua Ranger District. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Douglas. LEGAL - T26S, R02E, Sections 5,6,7,8 WM. Steamboat Work Center and Steamboat Inn.				

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Umpqua National Forest	**North Umpqua Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)**				**R6 - Pacific Northwest Region**
Steamboat Watershed Aquatic Connectivity Project EA	- Watershed management - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants	In Progress: Scoping Start 08/08/2008 Est. 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 01/2009	Expected:03/2009	07/2009	Ron McMullin 541-496-3532 rgmcmullin@fs.fed.us
	Description: Provide passage for aquatic organisms and 100 year flow events at stream crossings in the Steamboat Creek Watershed.				
	Location: UNIT - North Umpqua Ranger District. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Douglas. Steamboat Creek 5th field watershed.				

Umpqua National Forest	**Tiller Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)**				**R6 - Pacific Northwest Region**
1610 Roadside Treatment CE	- Vegetation management (other than forest products)	In Progress: Scoping Start 04/28/2008 Est. 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 10/2008	Expected:11/2008	10/2009	Robert Marshall 541-825-3122 rwmarshall@fs.fed.us
	Description: Reduce stand density to improve stand health and resiliency and reduce the risk of uncharacteristic wildfire along Forest Service Roads 1610, 1610-050, 1610-100, and 1610-500				
	Location: UNIT - Tiller Ranger District. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Douglas. LEGAL - Legal: T. 31S R1W S1, 2, 11, 12 and T. 31S R1E S6, 7 and T. 30S R1W S35, 36. Tiller Ranger District (11061502).				
Curtis Timber Sale Project EA	- Fuels management - Forest products	Completed	Actual: 09/03/2008	12/2008	Stephanie Wessell 541-957-3221 swessell@fs.fed.us
	Description: Thin to reduce the density of vegetation. Treatments include thinning to restore or maintain the health of pines and convert off-site pine plantations to native plant communities.				
	Location: UNIT - Tiller Ranger District. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Douglas. LEGAL - T. 29S, R. 1E, Sec 16-21, 29-32; T. 29S, R. 1W, Sec 23-27, 34-36; and T. 30S, R. 1W, Sec 1 N1/2. Middle South Umpqua (Buckeye/Zinc and Francis/Deadman) watershed.				

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Kincaid's Lupine Habitat Restoration Project CE	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants	Completed	Actual: 09/03/2008	06/2009	Richard Helliwell 541-957-3337 rhelliwell@fs.fed.us
	Description: This project proposes to restore and maintain habitat for the threatened species Kincaid's Lupine on about two to three acres on the Tiller Ranger District at Callahan Meadows.				
	Location: UNIT - Tiller Ranger District. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Douglas. LEGAL - 31S, 2W, Section 8. Tiller Ranger District, Callahan Meadows.				
RD 2800 Spot Reconstruction CE	- Road management	Completed	Actual: 07/16/2008	09/2009	Wes Yamamoto 541-825-3150 wyamamoto@fs.fed.us
	Description: There are numerous unstable areas or slumps along Forest Road 2800 between MP 6.25 and MP 14.61. These slumps have created ongoing vehicular safety and pavement maintenance problems. The proposal is to stabilize 5 to 10 sites.				
	Location: UNIT - Tiller Ranger District. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Douglas. LEGAL - T30S R1W Sec. 4, 5, 7 & 8 WM and T29S R1W Sec. 13, 14, 22, 23, 27, 33 & 34 WM. Road 28 MP 6.25 to MP 14.61; Tiller Ranger District.				
Tallow Salvage Sale CE	- Forest products	In Progress: 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 09/17/2008	Expected:10/2008	11/2008	Stuart Carlson 541-643-9768 slcarlson@fs.fed.us
	Description: This project will salvage blowdown timber in lands allocated as Matrix under the Northwest Forest Plan. The blowdown occurred during the winter storms of 2007-2008.				
	Location: UNIT - Tiller Ranger District. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Douglas. LEGAL - T30S, R1E. portions of sections 2, 3, 4, 9, and 10, WM. Tiller Ranger District - North of Road 29 and North of Jackson Creek.				
Upper South Umpqua Restoration CE	- Watershed management - Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants	In Progress: Scoping Start 03/19/2007	Expected:12/2008	09/2009	Calib Baldwin 541-825-3133 ctbaldwin@fs.fed.us
	Description: Restore salmon and steelhead habitat by placing wood and large rocks in the Upper South Umpqua River.				
	Location: UNIT - Tiller Ranger District. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Douglas. LEGAL - T29S, R1E, Section 31 and T28S, R2E, Section 31. Tiller Ranger District, Oregon, Douglas County, Upper South Umpqua River.				

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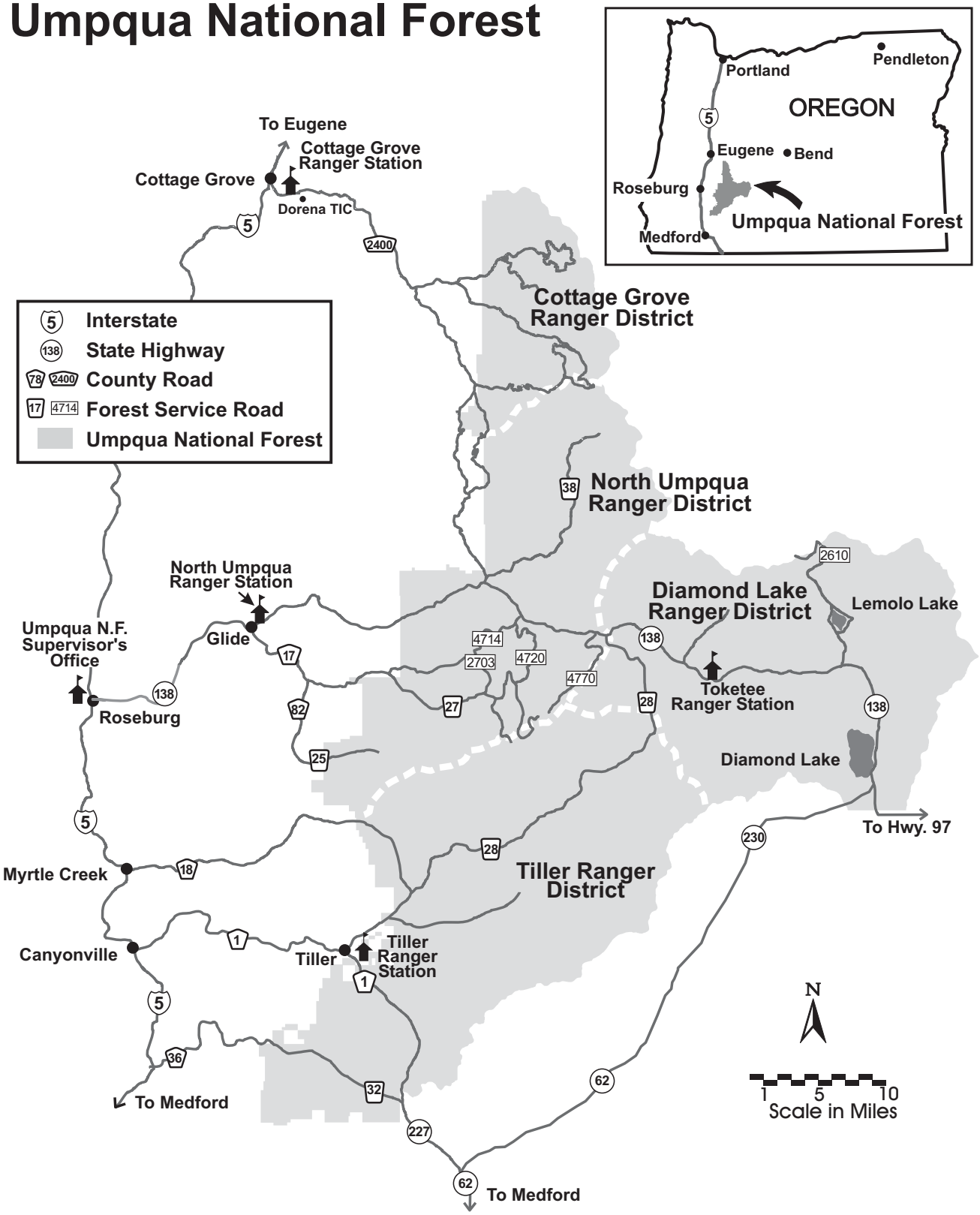

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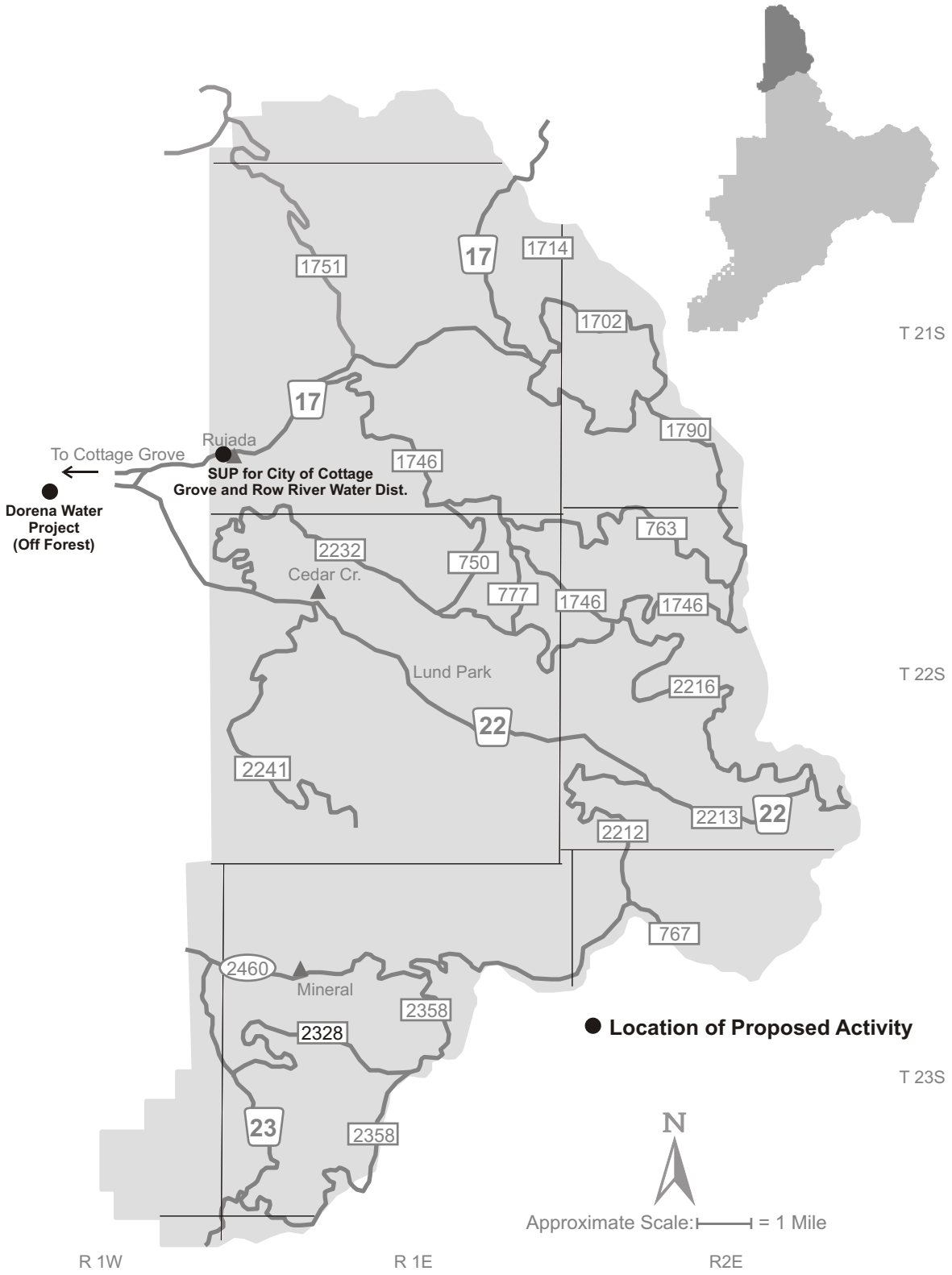

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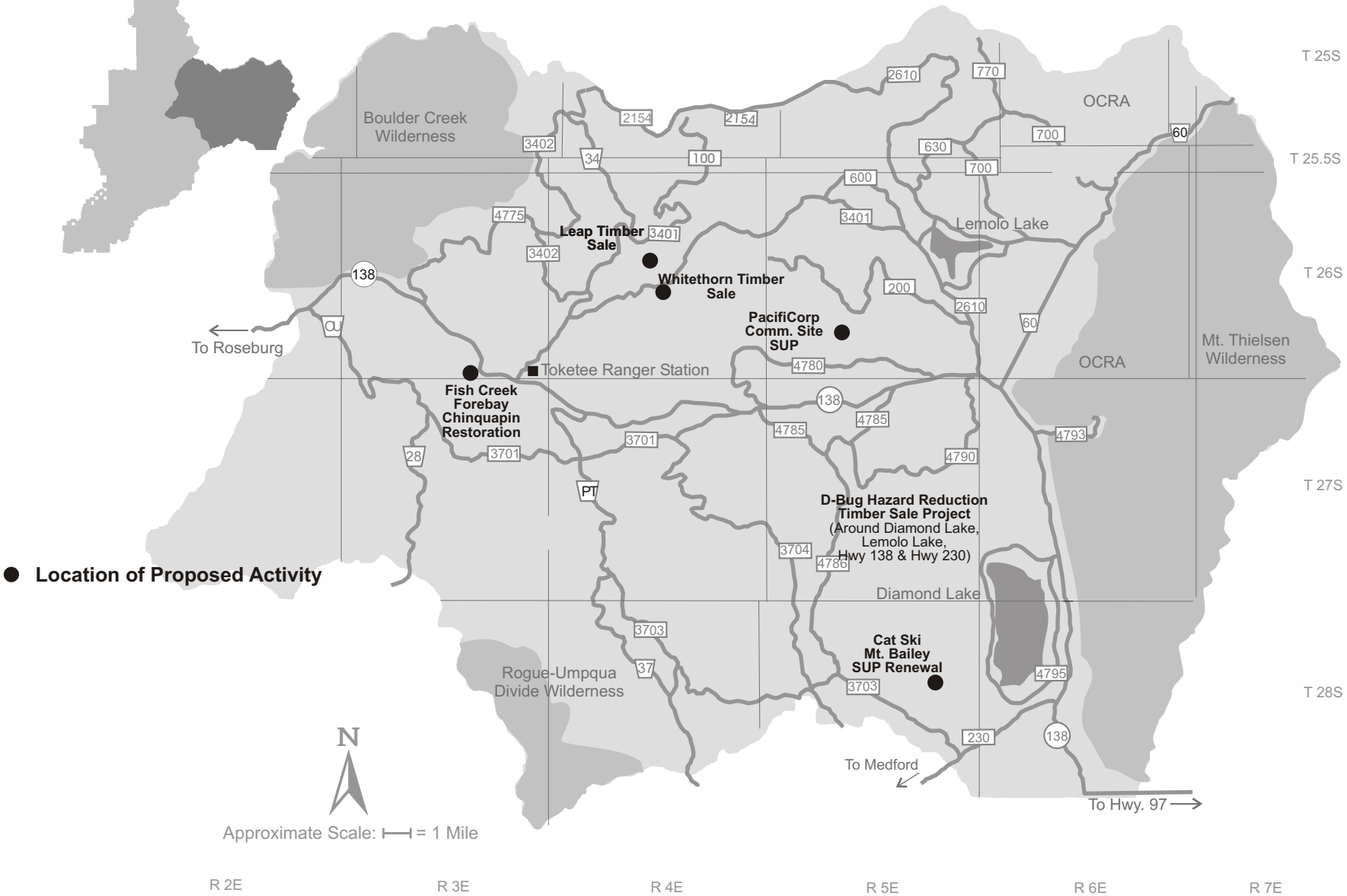

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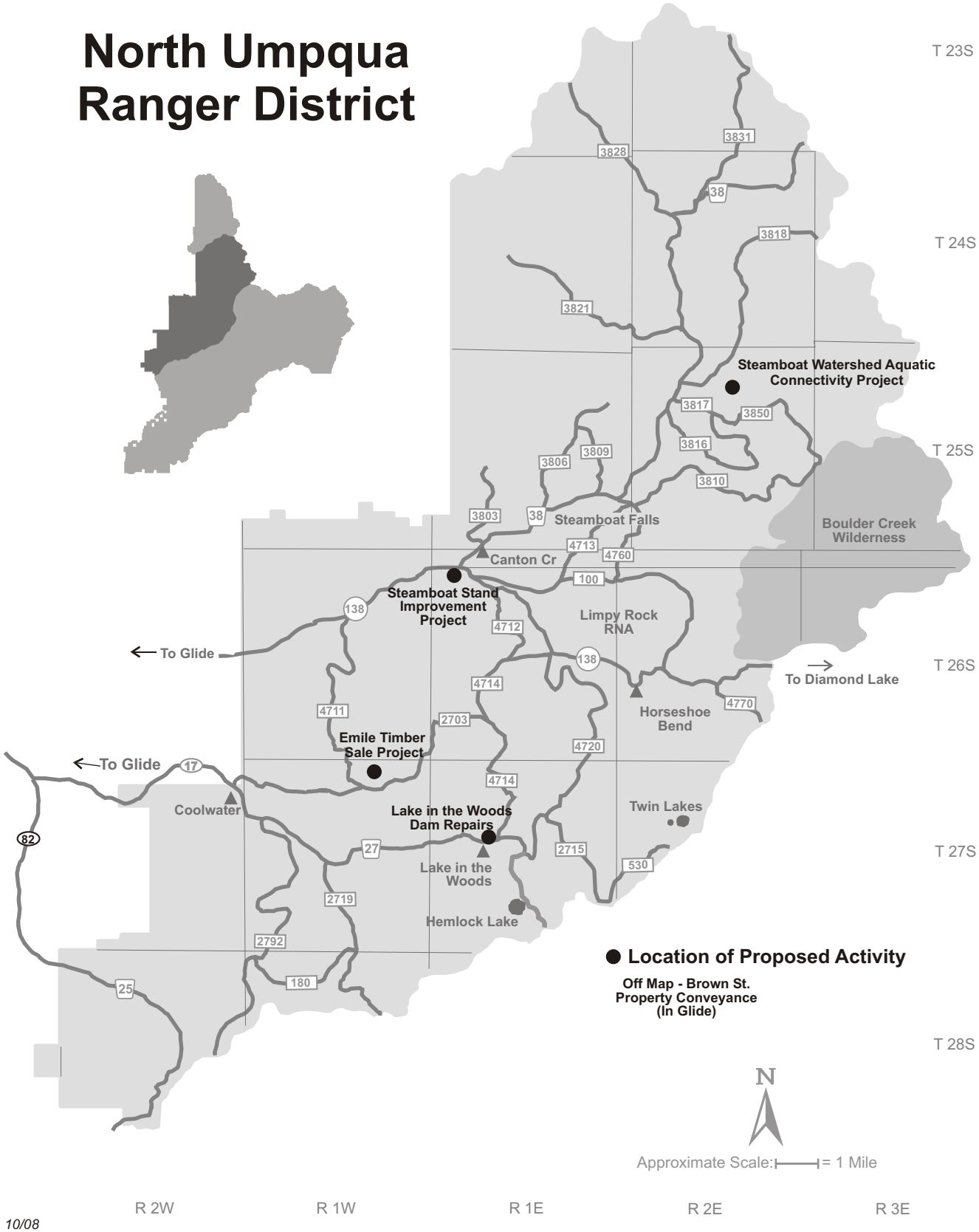

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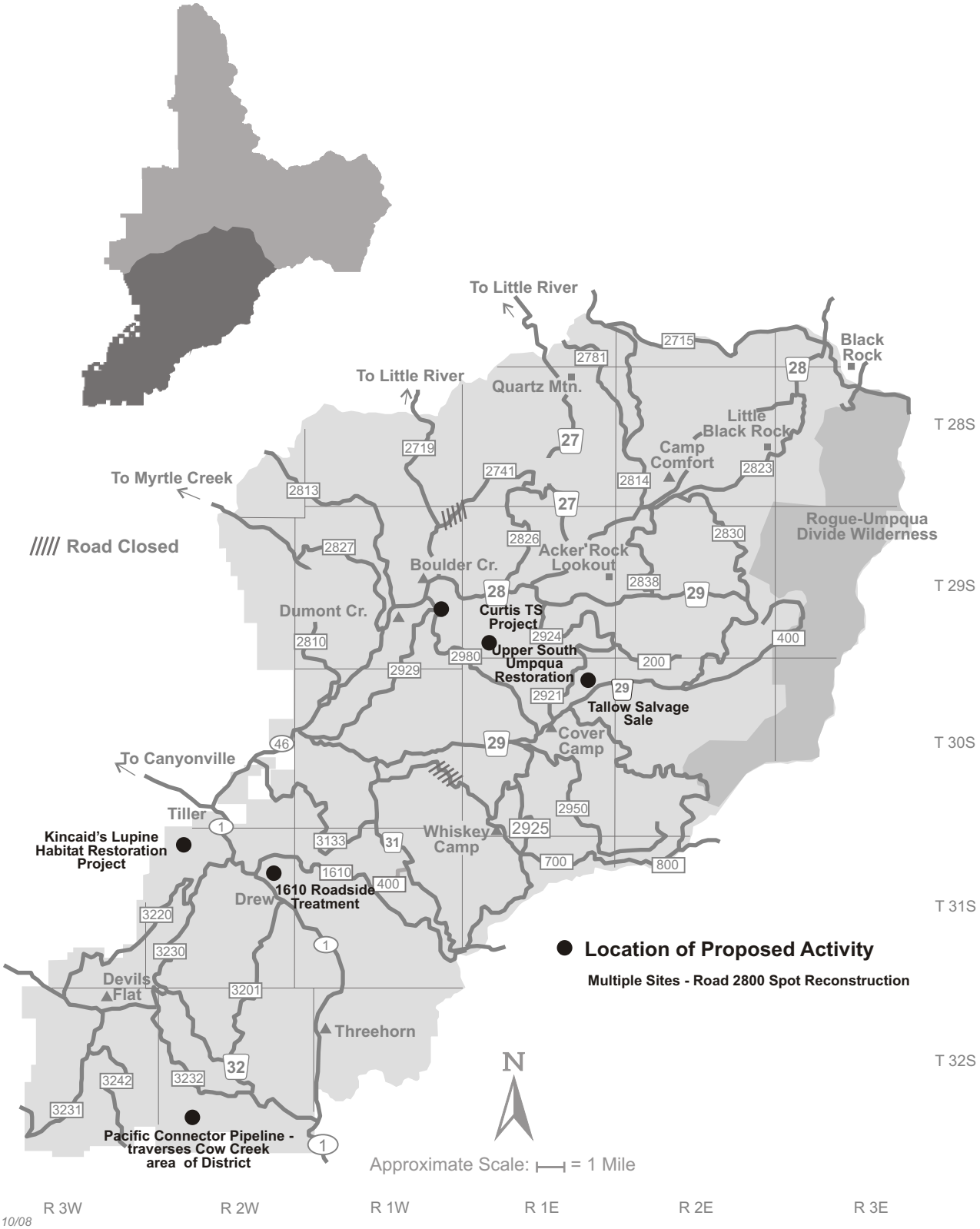

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