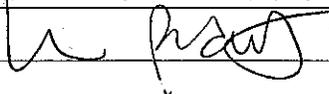


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## PROJECT REVIEW APPLICATION

DATE OF APPLICATION: January 6, 2012

<b>APPLICANT(S)</b>	<b>PROPERTY OWNERS</b>
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<b>APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE AND DATE</b>	<b>PROPERTY OWNER'S SIGNATURE AND DATE</b>
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<b>LOCATION OF PROPERTY</b>  (SEE PROJECT DESCRIPTION)	<b>PROPERTY ADDRESS (IF APPLICABLE)</b>  (SEE PROJECT DESCRIPTION)
TOWNSHIP:	RANGE:
SECTION:	
QUARTER SECTION:	TAX LOT:
PARCEL SIZE (ACRES):	COUNTY:
EXISTING LAND USE:	STATE:

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** Describe your proposed project, including details (plans, elevations, and/or photos) on structures to be built, location and types of utilities and infrastructure, drainfields, accessory buildings, ground leveling, and filling, or any other relevant activity or mitigation measures proposed. Use additional sheets as necessary:

**Project Description**

The Forest Service, Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area (CRGNSA), proposes to decommission 9 wells located throughout the CRGNSA. All of these wells/ structures came with the acquisition of lands since the creation of the CRNGSA, are not needed to meet management objectives and have potential to be hazardous to natural resources and public safety.

NEPA requirements are met by categorical exclusion 36 CFR 220.6 (d)(4) , a category of action for which a project or case file and decision memo are not required.

**Purpose & Need**

The purpose of decommission these wells is to restore and enhance the general habitat conditions and values of this site and to prevent environmental, safety, or public hazards.

**General Standards for Well Decommissioning**

- Decommission well(s) utilizing licensed contractor. Contractor will comply with all State and local health department regulations and standards for water well decommissioning (no well report(s) available). If the well casing cannot be removed, it shall be cut off 4 feet below ground surface and sealed with cement grout or bentonite. The contractor shall adhere to the state and local health department rules and regulations for well abandonment.
- Contractor to provide necessary licensing, bonding, fees and reports to the State and CRGNSA
- Contractor shall protect adjacent terrain
- The casing and well pipe will become property of the contractor and will be removed from CRGNSA property
- Equipment move in/move out per well
- Remove 6” well casing (approx. 40-50’). Remove well pipe (approx. 150’) to include pump and wiring. Fill with sealing material as the casing is removed.
- Seal well with cement grout (utilize pump) or bentonite
- Contractor will fill a minimum of 2’ of native top soil in well/casing hole

<b>WELL PARCEL NAME</b>	<b>COUNTY</b>	<b>ROAD ACCESS</b>	<b>ROAD DECOM PROPOSED</b>	<b>VEG IMPACTS</b>
ANDERSON	WASCO	DENIED/Helicopter or atv/foot access	NO	NO
BRIDAL VEIL	MULTNOMAH	YES	NO	NO
JONES	MULTNOMAH	YES	NO	NO
PETERSON	WASCO	YES	NO	NO
PITNER	SKAMANIA	YES	NO	NO
LYONS	SKAMANIA	YES	NO	NO
RUNYAN	SKAMANIA	YES	NO	YES/BRANCH REMOVAL
RUSSEL	WASCO	YES	NO	NO
STAR	KLICKITAT	YES	NO	YES/SHRUB REMOVAL

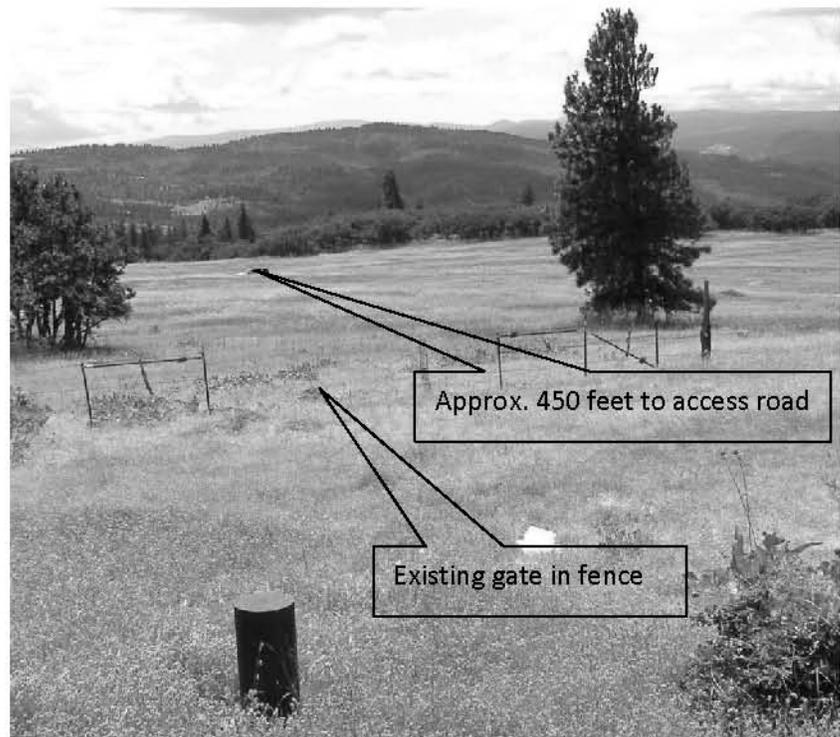
**Well Decommissioning- USFS “Anderson” Parcel**  
T2N, R12E, Section 10, County: Wasco, State: Oregon, tax lot: 300  
UTM: 498587, 1289731

The project consists of Decommissioning the Anderson well by removing a 6” well casing and well to include the well pump and wiring. The pump will be accessed by helicopter, atv, or by foot.

This part is over an open field to the well. There are no structural removal requirements for this project. Access to the project will not impact any surrounding vegetation or trees. No road closing required for this project. The contractor will require one time move-in, move-out of personnel, equipment and materials necessary to complete the decommissioning of the water well. Adjacent landowner has denied access across property. Project will be completed either through helicopter or atv/foot access across FS lands.



ANDERSON WELL AND SEAL



GENERAL VICINITY

**Well Decommissioning- USFS “Bridal Veil” Parcel**

T1N, R5E, Section 22, County: Multnomah State: Oregon tax lot: 200

UTM: 430407, 1279152



The project consists of removing a 6” well casing and well to include the well pump and wiring. There are no structural removal requirements for this project. The well house and concrete slab was removed previously.

The well is accessible from an existing unimproved road from Palmer Mill Rd. without any impacts to surrounding vegetation or trees. No road opening or closing is required.

The contractor will require one time move-in, move-out of personnel, equipment and materials necessary to complete the decommissioning of the water well.

**Well Decommissioning- USFS “Jones” Parcel**

T2N, R6E, Section 36, County: Multnomah State: Oregon, tax lot: 2N6326CA-01800  
UTM: 442906, 1284612



The project is located off of the Old Historic Columbia River Hwy at Beacon St. in the Ellahurst Subdivision. The North edge of the property is located at the intersection of Beacon St. and KC Way. The project consists of removing a 6” well casing and well to include the well pump and wiring. There are no structural removal requirements for this project. (Existing well house and debris will be removed on a future project).

The well is accessible from an existing gravel road without any impacts to surrounding vegetation or trees. No road opening or closing is required.

The contractor will require one time move-in, move-out of personnel, equipment and materials necessary to complete the decommissioning of the water well.

**Well & Power Pole Decommissioning-** USFS “*Peterson*” Parcel  
T2N, R12E, Section 5, County: Wasco, State: Oregon, tax lot: 400  
UTM: 495557, 1292611

The project consists of Decommissioning the Peterson well by removing a 6” well casing and well to include the well pump and wiring; decommissioning a dug well and removing a 6’ concrete cover; removing three power poles, service wire and guy wire, and wood debris.

The wells are located on a native surfaced, unimproved road off of US Route 30, 3.6 miles from Mosier at MP 70 in Oregon. There are no structural removal requirements for this project.

Access to the project will not impact any surrounding vegetation or trees.

The contractor will require one time move-in, move-out of personnel, equipment and materials necessary to complete the decommissioning of the water well.



**Well Decommissioning- USFS “Pitner” Parcel**

T1N, R5E, Section 9, County: Skamania State: WA tax lot: 01050900080000

UTM: 428771, 1282134



The project is located in the Cape Horn area, in a hay field, on Rim Drive (Pitner and Lyon’s wells). The project consists of removing a 6” well casing and well to include the well pump and wiring. There are no structural removal requirements for this project. The well is accessible from an existing gravel road without any impacts to surrounding vegetation or trees. No road opening or closing is required. The contractor will require one time move-in, move-out of personnel, equipment and materials necessary to complete the decommissioning of the water well.

**Well Decommissioning- USFS “Lyons” Parcel**

T1N, R5E Section 9, County: Skamania, State: Washington, tax lot: 01050900080200

UTM: 428809, 1282101

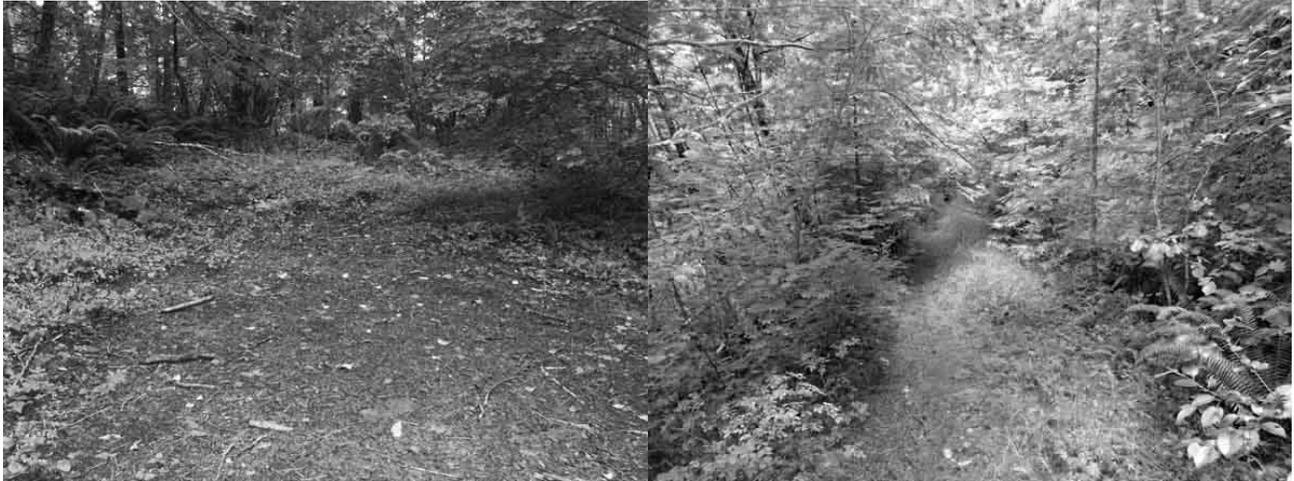


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**Well Decommissioning- USFS “Runyan” Parcel**

T2N, R6E, Section 21, County: Skamania, State: Oregon , tax lot: 2062100090000

UTM: 438273, 1288255



The project is located off of Hwy 14 at Skamania Landing, Washington; turn right on Woodard Creek Rd., 1.5 miles to Mars Landing and turn left; FS road 409 is approx. ½ mile up Mars Landing Road on the right. This site was acquired by the Forest Service with an existing driveway (road 409) and the well proposed for decommissioning.

The project consists of brushing approximately 3/8 of a mile on FS Road 409. Brushing is needed approximately 2 to 3 feet on each side of the road. Branch removal will be required in some places from conifers and alders and low brush vegetation. Brushing will be limited as much as possible to allow equipment access. Decommissioning will consist of the removal of a 6” well casing, well, well pump, wiring, a pile of metal and trash/debris. There are no structural removal requirements for this project.

Upon completion of the well decommissioning the route (Rd. 409) will be allowed to return to natural conditions by spreading the brushed material.

The contractor will require one time move-in, move-out of personnel, equipment and materials necessary to complete the decommissioning of the water well.

**Well Decommissioning- USFS “Russel” Parcel**

T2N, R12E, Section 6, tax lot: 2200, county: Wasco, state: Oregon

UTM: 494213, 1292292

The Russell well is located off the Historic Columbia River Highway in Wasco County Oregon. The well is on a parcel which was acquired by the Forest Service. A Wooden pump house (11’x9’) and the base of a meter need to be removed. Additionally a concrete pad will be broken up and buried on site. No road maintenance activities are proposed. All disturbed areas will be revegetated with a native seed mix.



Existing Pump House



Remove pipes and electrical equipment



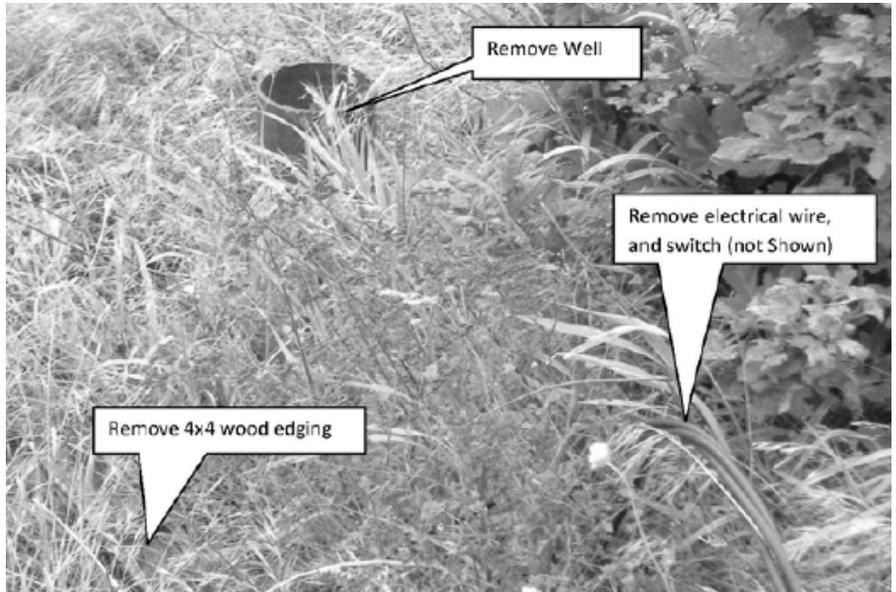
Remove Meter B

**Well Decommissioning- USFS “Starr” Parcel**

T3N, R12E, Section 34, County: Klickitat, State: Washington, tax lot: 3123400000200  
UTM: 499060, 1293789

The project consists of decommissioning the Starr Well by removing a 6” well casing and well to include the well pump and wiring. There are no structural removal requirements for this project.

Minor brushing of low level brush is required for access. There are no other impacts to surrounding vegetation or trees. All disturbed areas will be revegetated with a native seed mix.



The contractor will require one time move-in, move-out of personnel, equipment and materials necessary to complete the decommissioning of the water well.