Forest Aquatic Restoration Project NEPA Compliance and Implementation Checklist Three Cabin Spring Development

Category: Category 6: Streambank restoration; Category 9: Livestock fencing and off-channel livestock watering;

Category 13: Riparian vegetation treatment

<u>Project Description:</u> <u>Project includes an exclosure fence in conjunction with a new trough to restore the wet meadow by discouraging cattle use of the spring and improving livestock watering conditions at the site.</u>

Heritage (to be completed by heritage specialist)

Y/N Initial

N <u>KW</u> Specific PDC for heritage addressed (heritage surveys; avoidance areas).

Botany (to be completed by botany specialist)

Y/N Initial

Y JB Specific PDC for botany addressed (sensitive plant surveys).

Y JB Specific PDC for noxious weeds addressed.

<u>Land Management Consistency</u> (is the proposed project within the management area? Check yes or no. If yes, comments should indicate whether proposed actions are consistent with the standards for the management area.)

Y/N	Initial		Y/N	Initial	
N	<u>BSP</u>	4A big game winter range	N	<u>BSP</u>	9 research natural areas
N	<u>BSP</u>	6A and 6B wilderness	N	<u>BSP</u>	10 semi-primitive non-motorized recreation areas
N	<u>BSP</u>	7 scenic area	N	<u>BSP</u>	22/22A wild and scenic river
N	<u>BSP</u>	8 special interest areas	N	<u>BSP</u>	inventoried roadless areas

Comments: *Click here to enter additional comments.*

I have reviewed this project and have determined it is compliant with the Malheur Forest Plan and Aquatic Restoration environmental assessment project design criteria identified for my resource.

Table 1. Projects design criteria and Malheur Forest Plan compliance checklist

Resource	Signature	Date	Comments (additional PDCs may be noted if necessary) *May continue on next page
Heritage	/s/ Katee R. Withee	5/1/2019	No effects to historic properties. If during project activities
Botany	/s/ Jessi Brunson	5/3/2019	No effects to TESP plants. Project area was surveyed in 2011.
Invasive Plants	/s/ Jessi Brunson	5/3/2019	No effects to invasives. Follow PDCs to prevent new invasions.
Wildlife	/s/ Lauren Romstad	5/30/2019	Follow Wildlife Friendly Fencing design, consult with wildlife biologist
Fish*	/s/ Dan Armichardy	6/10/2019	Project area is ~1 mile from fish bearing stream which contains regionally sensitive redband trout. No T&E are located in project area. Project will benefit wetland area and spring area likely benefiting downstream perennial fish bearing stream.
Hydrology*	/s/ Bob Hassmiller	5/6/2019	Project will bring improve range infrastructure to provide best management practices for conditions to wetland and stream channels in area. Project is aligned with Forest Plan and brought forward by permittee as a concern to improve his operations and natural resources.
Range	/s/ Nick Stiner	5/30/2019	No Range issues identified.
Soils	/s/ Robert C. McNeil	4/30/2019	No significant use of heavy equipment planned
Recreation	/s/ Kevin Green	4/30/2019	No effects to recreation resources
Special Uses	/s/ Stacia Kimbell	5/12/2019	No Lands Special Uses currently identified within vicinity of project boundary.
Lands	/s/ Stacia Kimbell	5/12/2019	No Lands issues identified.
Mining	/s/ Jared Bowman	5/2/2019	There are no mining claims within this project area – per Anne Schneider.
Engineering	/s/Rebekah Dodez	5/30/2019	No Issues.
Fuels / Fire	/s/ Brandon Culley	4/30/2019	No Issues
Silviculture	/s/ Amanda Lindsay	4/30/2019	No effects to forest vegetation.

^{*} Ensure that an experienced fisheries biologist or hydrologist is involved in the design of all projects covered by Aquatic Restoration Biological Opinion II. The experience should be commensurate with technical requirements of a project.

District Environmental Coordinator: /s/ Bethany Parker Date: 6/18/2019

Line Officer Signature: /s/Robert Foxworth Date: 7/2/2019

Comments (continued):
If during project activities cultural material is encountered, all work will cease immediately and a Forest Service archaeologist contacted to evaluate the inadvertent discovery.