

Forest Aquatic Restoration Project NEPA Compliance and Implementation Checklist

Project Number: 01032016

Date: 12/9/2015

Category: 9: Livestock Fencing, stream crossings and off-channel livestock watering

Location: T 15S R 30E Sec. 2&3

Project Description: This project will construct a 4 strand wire fence around Laycock Meadow.

Heritage

☐ - Specific PDC for Heritage addressed (Heritage Surveys; Avoidance areas).

Botany

☒ - Specific PDC for Botany addressed (Sensitive Plant Surveys).

☒ - Specific PDC for Nox. Weeds addressed.

Land Management Consistency

☐ 4A Big Game Winter range

☐ 6A & 6B

Wilderness

☐ 7 Scenic Area

☐ 8 Special Interest Areas

☐ 9

☐ 10

☐ 22

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Research Natural Areas

Semi-Primitive Non-Motorized Recreation Areas

Wild and Scenic River

Inventoried Roadless Areas

Anadromous Riparian Areas. *dh.*

Comments:

Table 1. Projects Design Criteria and Forest Plan compliance checklist.

I have reviewed this project and have determined it is within the Project Design Criteria identified for my resource.

Resource	Signature	Date	Comments
Heritage	<i>[Signature]</i>	1/21/16	SEE ATTACHED COMMENT
Botany	<i>[Signature]</i>	12/15/15	Beneficial Impact to Sensitive Plants (doc @ site)
Wildlife	<i>[Signature]</i>	1/8/16	retains snags within following riparian areas.
Fish*	<i>[Signature]</i>	12/15/15	Consistent w/ PDC's. Thanks
Hydrology*	<i>[Signature]</i>	1/25/16	Project will improve water/ecosystem functions.
Range	<i>[Signature]</i>	12-15-15	NO negative effects
Soils	<i>[Signature]</i>	1/11/16	Beneficial impacts, follow established PDC's.
Recreation	<i>[Signature]</i>	1/14/16	No effect to the Recreating Resource.
Lands and Special Uses	<i>[Signature]</i>	12/15/15	No lands special uses or mining claims identified within project vicinity.
Engineering	<i>[Signature]</i>	12/11/16	Grade placed 20 min. from Road Perimeter - limits heavy equipment. <i>dh.</i>
Fuels / Fire	<i>[Signature]</i>	12/15/15	No Effects. <i>dh.</i>
Silviculture	<i>[Signature]</i>	1/20/16	No Only beneficial effect. No concern. <i>dh.</i>

* 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.

Line Officer Signature: *[Signature]*

Date: 1/26/2016

1/21/2016

Laycock Meadow riparian Fence Project

Heritage Comment:

The project location has not been adequately surveyed. Until survey is conducted, it is unknown whether or not the project will have an effect to historic properties. BMRD Range staff will need to provide Heritage with an implementation time line, allowing Heritage to complete the required survey prior to implementation.

One of the archaeological sites identified during a records review extends beyond the project boundary into an area likely to be used as a vehicle staging area. BMRD Range staff and Heritage will need to clearly identify vehicle staging areas before implementation.

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