

Examples of Present and Reasonably Foreseeable Future Actions

Riparian Thinning

(Many of these projects also included aquatic restoration.)

Quartz Integrated Project, Umpqua National Forest

Commercial thinning 169 acres of the outer portion of the riparian reserves in 45 to 65-year-old managed stands to improve species composition and structural diversity. Retains a 60-foot no harvest buffer on perennial streams and a 30-foot no harvest buffer on intermittent streams. No system or temporary roads are constructed. <https://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=43155>

Camp Lick Project, Malheur National Forest

Noncommercial thinning on 1600 acres of inner RHCA and commercial thinning on 700 acres of outer RHCA to move the adjacent stream miles toward desired conditions by reducing stand density, reducing fire hazards, and improving forest health. No system or temporary roads are constructed. <https://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=46219>

South Fork Stillaguamish Vegetation Management Project, Mt. Baker-Snoqualmie National Forest

Includes commercial thinning of second growth stands in riparian resource to increase structural diversity for future down wood recruitment. Also removes barriers to aquatic organism passage on new or existing haul routes for the project. <https://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=48837>

Hwy 46 Project, Willamette National Forest

Includes commercial thinning of dense conifers on 331 acres within riparian reserves, and 18 acres of “fall and leave” streamside treatments (cutting dense conifers and leaving in place). <https://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=47109>

North Fork Calawah Vegetation Management Thinning, Olympic National Forest

Includes about 1690 acres of commercial thinning in riparian reserves to accelerate development of late-successional characteristics; and culvert removals and replacements to improve fish passage and improved road drainage. <https://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=47182>

Upper Briggs Creek Project, Rogue-Siskiyou National Forest

Proposes thinning, prescribed fire and invasive plant treatment to improve diversity and composition of plant species with the riparian reserves. <https://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=45593>

Riparian Restoration Project, Siuslaw National Forest

Commercial thinning 15 acres of Douglas-fir plantations in riparian reserves to restore ecological condition and assist in recovery of full fish habitat function within the key reach of the North Folk Siuslaw River. <https://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=47455>

Recreation

Sullivan Lake Recreation Site Project, Colville National Forest

Implements a suite of actions to improve watershed and aquatic function and native fish habitat in Sullivan Creek; reduce the potential for human-bear conflicts; and maintain and improve long-term sustainable camping opportunities for the public. <https://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=49882>

Grazing

Tamarack Grazing Allotment Management Plan, Umatilla National Forest

Grazing is authorized to continue with design feature modifications, best management practices (BMPs), noxious weed prevention measures, PACFISH standards, and monitoring protocols that move toward Forest Plan desired conditions, including those for range management.

<https://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=48680>

Antelope Grazing Allotments AMP, Fremont-Winema National Forest

livestock grazing is authorized to continue, using management strategies that are consistent with both Forest Plans' standards and guidelines. The allotments encompass 1149,177 acres.

<https://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=43246>

Aquatic Restoration

Pumice Instream and Riparian Fish Habitat Restoration, Gifford Pinchot National Forest

Improves habitat for reintroduced Chinook and coho salmon and steelhead as well as resident bull trout through the addition of large and smaller logs along sections of the Lewis River (at Pepper Creek), Clear Creek, and the Muddy River; improves riparian shade along Clear Creek by thinning hardwoods; and improves channel connectivity and reduce sedimentation by removing old stream crossings. https://www.fs.usda.gov/nfs/11558/www/nepa/58619_FSPLT1_026710.pdf

Upper Little Deschutes River Restoration, Deschutes National Forest

Action needed to 1) improve the hydrological function of the Little Deschutes River to benefit the unique habitats found within or adjacent to the river; and 2) maintain or enhance recreational experiences, with a sustainable road system that provides access while increasing wildlife security and reducing sedimentation to the river. Proposed activities include: <https://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=51024>

Hunter Integrated Resource Project, Mt. Hood National Forest

Replaces culverts that are not functioning properly, adds woody debris to streams, and restores dispersed camping sites adjacent to streams.

Segelsen Collaborative Vegetation and Aquatic Restoration Project, Mt. Baker-Snoqualmie National Forest

This is an integrated project that includes 70 acres of restoration thinning, drainage (road) restoration and riparian and campsite restoration on Buck Creek Campground.

<https://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=49026>

<https://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=48097>

Hamilton Creek Restoration, Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area

The project will place approximately 205 pieces of large woody debris (LWD) and plant 9,700 conifers on a 1-mile stretch of Hamilton Creek. The LWD will be strategically placed to create spawning habitat, develop high-flow refugia, and activate side channel habitat. About one half of the LWD for the project is currently staged at existing holding areas on other National Forest lands in the CRGNSA. The remaining wood will be individually removed or, where possible, tipped with root wads intact from a second-growth stand in the lower, southernmost half mile reach of adjacent riparian area west of Hamilton Creek.

<https://www.fs.usda.gov/detail/crgnsa/landmanagement/projects/?cid=fseprd537390>

Swauk Pine Project, Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest

Proposes to modify use patterns at 5 dispersed recreation sites within riparian areas and restore riparian soils and vegetation; replenish large wood in streams and floodplains to restore channel condition and redesign aquatic habitat over 8 miles of stream; and redesign roads located adjacent to or crossing streams, wetlands, and groundwater seepage areas to restore natural flow paths and streambed elevations in wet meadows and floodplains.

<https://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=44149>

Mining

Granite Creek Watershed Mining Project, Wallowa-Whitman and Umatilla National Forests

Authorizes 28 mining plans of operations. Approved actions include placer mining and gravity processing, lode exploration and placer mining, placer excavations, suction dredging, underground mining, development of designated temporary roads to existing adits and milling and gravity processing of underground lode material.

<https://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=2209>