

USDI, Bureau of Land Management  
Three Rivers Resource Area, Burns District  
Hines, Oregon 97738

Finding of No Significant Impact  
for  
Whiskey Pine Cooperative Project  
Environmental Assessment  
OR-025-03-007

Based on the analysis of potential environmental effects contained in the Environmental Assessment (EA) and all other available information, I have determined that the proposed action and the alternative analyzed do not constitute a major Federal action that would adversely impact the quality of the human environment. Therefore, an Environmental Impact Statement is unnecessary and will not be prepared. This determination is based on the following factors:

1. Beneficial, adverse, direct, indirect, and cumulative environmental effects discussed in the EA have been disclosed. Analysis indicated no significant effects on society as a whole, the affected region, the affected interests or the locality. The physical and biological effects are limited to the Burns District, Three Rivers Resource Area and adjacent land.
2. Public health and safety would not be adversely impacted. There are no known or anticipated concerns with project waste or hazardous materials.
3. There would be no adverse effects to regional or local air quality, prime or unique farmlands, known paleontological resources on public land within the area, wetlands, floodplains, areas with unique characteristics, energy development, ecologically critical areas or designated Areas of Critical Environmental Concern. There would be no adverse effects from invasive, nonnative species.
4. There are no highly controversial effects on the environment.
5. There are no effects that are highly uncertain or involve unique or unknown risk. Sufficient information on risk is available based on information in the EA and other past actions of a similar nature.
6. The proposed action or alternative does not set a precedent for other projects that may be implemented in the future to meet the goals and objectives of adopted Federal, State or local natural resource-related plans, policies or programs.
7. No cumulative effects related to other actions that would have a significant adverse impact were identified or are anticipated.

8. Based on previous and ongoing cultural resource surveys and through mitigation by avoidance, no adverse effects to cultural resources were identified or anticipated. There are no known American Indian religious concerns or persons or groups who might be disproportionately and adversely affected as anticipated by the Environmental Justice policy.
9. No adverse effects were identified to any threatened or endangered species or their habitat that was determined to be critical under the Endangered Species Act.
10. The proposed action and alternative is in compliance with relevant Federal, State, and local laws, regulations, and requirements for the protection of the environment.

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