

## *FY96 Projects Planned or Accomplished*

\* Inventory: contract for inventory of about 7,160 acres of the Topsy-Pokegama Landscape Analysis area for populations of noxious weeds.

\* Treatment/Monitoring: known noxious weed infested sites covering over 220 acres of BLM lands will be chemically or manually treated by the Klamath County noxious weed treatment crew. A stem weevil for the biological control of Canada thistle was released on the Wood River property. Organisms were supplied by the Oregon Department of Agriculture (ODA) under the memorandum of agreement (MOA) between ODA and BLM. Sites where noxious weeds are treated will be monitored by BLM personnel for treatment effectiveness and non-target effects.

\* Education: a noxious weed identification workshop was conducted in the resource area by the Oregon Department of Agriculture (ODA) under the MOA between ODA and BLM.

## **Cultural/Paleontological Resource Management**

The resource area's cultural and paleontological programs identify, plan the appropriate use of, and manage cultural and paleontological resources on public land. These programs must comply with federal and state law governing preservation as well as the principles of multiple use. This includes conducting routine survey clearances prior to constructing projects involving ground disturbance, such as the PGT pipeline and the proposed Lorella pumped storage projects. The programs strive to protect these resources for scientific and research purposes, as well as for future generations. In addition, the resource area must routinely consult with the Klamath Tribes, the Shasta Nation, the Quartz Valley Indian Community, the Confederated Tribes of Siletz, and the Modoc Tribe of Oklahoma, concerning proposed management activities, per the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. For further information contact Bill Yehl at 541-885-4128.

## *FY95 Plan Accomplishments*

\* GIS/Autocad Database Development: began entering cultural resource surveys, inventories, and sites into Auto-cad, to eventually be entered into district geographich information system (GIS).

\* Education/Outreach: provided community outreach by adding an Archeology Week display/program at a local malland conducted two, 40-hour Archaeology Technician classes to cross-train fire crews to be able to avoid impacting cultural sites during prescription underburns and wildfires.

\* Surveys: provided oversight of cultural resource contracts conducting inventory/clearance surveys of about 1,000 acres for a proposed land disposal/exchange, the Spencer Creek Key Watershed (funded by the Jobs-in-the-Woods program), and about 8,800 acres for two proposed Jobs-in-the-Woods projects.

\* Conducted two Challenge Cost Share programs with Southern Oregon State College: 1) A cultural landscape nomination to the National Register of Historic Places for Bryant Mountain, and 2) an archaeological district nomination for the Klamath River Canyon.