

## **FY97 PROJECTS PLANNED OR ACCOMPLISHED**

- Conduct manual and chemical treatment of noxious weed populations on approximately 150 acres of BLM-administered lands in Klamath County.
- Monitor for effectiveness of noxious weed sites treated.
- Establish a position to implement weed management and coordination activities in the Klamath Falls Resource Area. The person would be hired by the Oregon Department of Agriculture through the Oregon State BLM Office contract. Duties will include administering weed treatment contract and weed inventory contracts, monitoring treatment sites, determining the precise location of weed sites using a global positioning system instrument, conducting biocontrol release and monitoring, and doing limited inventory and treatment of weeds.
- Inventory noxious weeds on approximately 8,300 acres on Stukel Mountain and 2,300 acres near Gerber Reservoir.

## **CULTURAL/PALEONTOLOGICAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT**

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

## **FY96 ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

- ***Geographic Inventory System (GIS)/Autocad/Database Development:*** Entered all Class III Surveys (covering approximately 30,000 acres) into GIS and began process of entering all cultural site data from DBase IV Arcsite program.
- ***Education/Outreach:*** Continued community outreach through sponsorship of Mazama High School Archaeology Club. Distributed Heritage Education Teacher guides to Klamath County and City of Klamath Falls School Districts. Provided updates to the Heritage Education program.
- ***Surveys:*** Contracted approximately 6,700 acres of cultural resource survey work, in addition to conducting about 3,500 acres of in-house survey work for a proposed salvage sale and prescribed burn.
- ***College Programs:*** Conducted two Challenge Cost-Share Programs with Southern Oregon University in Ashland, one for archaeological survey of the Gerber portion of the Bald Eagle Management Area, and another for a 1,600-acre survey as part of the Archaeological Field School.