

Title II Project Application
Medford District Resource Advisory Committee

1. Project Number (Assigned by federal unit): OR-115-06

2. Project Name: Big Butte Road Decommission **3. County:** Jackson

4. Project Sponsor: Shawn Simpson **5. Date:** 07/11/01

6. Sponsors Phone # : (541)618-2460

7. Sponsor's E-mail: shawn_simpson@or.blm.gov

8. Project Location (attach project area map)

a. 4th Field Watershed Name and HUC #(if known): Upper Rogue
17100307

b. 5th Field Watershed Name and HUC #(if known): Big Butte Creek
1710030704

c. Legal Location:

Township <u>34S</u>	Range <u>1E</u>	Section(s) <u>15, 25</u>
Township <u>34S</u>	Range <u>2E</u>	Section(s) <u>2, 3, 10, 11</u>
Township <u>34S</u>	Range <u>2E</u>	Section(s) <u>13, 14, 15</u>
Township <u>34S</u>	Range <u>2E</u>	Section(s) <u>23, 26, 27</u>
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d. BLM District Medford

e. BLM Resource Area Butte Falls

f. National Forest _____

g. Forest Service District _____

h. State / Private / Other lands involved? Yes No

9. Statement of Project Goals and Objectives:

To improve water quality by reducing the amount of road related sediment being delivered to local stream channels. This project is also expected to restore local hydrologic flow.

10. Project Description: (Provide concise description of project and attach map.)

This project involves the full decommission of 1.3 miles of road and the partial decommission of 1.8 miles of road to improve water quality. Full decommission roads will be subsoiled, seeded, mulched, and planted. These roads will have cross drains, fills in stream channels, and potentially unstable areas removed to restore natural hydrologic flow. Roads that are partially decommissioned will be closed on a long-term basis and left in an "erosion resistant" condition by establishing cross drains, and removing fills in stream channels and potentially unstable areas. Exposed soils will be treated to reduce sedimentation.

11. Coordination of this project with other related project(s) on adjacent lands?

Yes No If yes, then describe.

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12. How does proposed project meet purposes of the Legislation? [Sec. 203(b)(1)]

- Improves maintenance of existing infrastructure. [Sec. 2(b)]
- Implements stewardship objectives that enhance forest ecosystems. [Sec. 2(b)]
- Restores and improves land health. [Sec. 2(b)]
- Restores water quality. [Sec. 2(b)]

13. Project Type (check one) [Sec. 203(b)(1)]

- Road Maintenance [Sec. 2(b)(2)(A)]
- Road Decommission/Obliteration [Sec. 2(b)(2)(A)]
- Other Infrastructure Maintenance (specify): _____ [Sec. 2(b)(2)(A)]
- Soil Productivity Improvement [Sec. 2(b)(2)(B)]
- Watershed Restoration & Mntc. [Sec. 2(b)(2)(D)]
- Fish Habitat Restoration [Sec. 2(b)(2)(E)]
- Reestablish Native Species [Sec. 2(b)(2)(G)]
- Other Project Type (specify) [Sec. 2(b)(2)]: _____
- Trail Maintenance [Sec. 2(b)(2)(A)]
- Trail Obliteration [Sec. 2(b)(2)(A)]
- Forest Health Improvement [Sec. 2(b)(2)(C)]
- Wildlife Habitat Restoration [Sec. 2(b)(2)(E)]
- Control of Noxious Weeds [Sec. 2(b)(2)(F)]

14. Measure of Project Accomplishments/Expected Outcomes [Sec. 203(b)(5)]

- a. Total Acres: _____
- b. Total Miles: 3.1 miles
- c. No. Structures: _____
- d. Estimated People Reached (for environmental education projects): _____
- e. No. of Laborer Days: _____
- f. Other (specify): _____

15. Duration of Project and Estimated Completion Date [Sec. 203(b)(2)]: One Month 2002

16. Target Species Benefitted: (if applicable) Coho, Steelhead, Cutthroat trout

17. How will cooperative relationships among people that use federal lands be improved? [Sec. 2(b)(3)]

Cooperatively designing transportation system that will result in improving water quality, wildlife habitat, and opportunities for dispersed recreation activities.

18. How is this project in the best public interest? [Sec. 203(b)(7)] **Identify benefits to communities?**

This project is in the best public interest because it is expected to improve water quality and restore natural hydrologic flow. Benefits to communities include improving conditions for salmon and trout by reducing sediment input to stream channels which could benefit tourism and recreation. The project will also create short-term family wage jobs for the community.

19. How does project benefit federal lands/resources?

This project benefits federal lands by reducing cumulative watershed effects in a watershed that has been deferred from management partly due to high road densities. Water quality will be improved

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within the watershed by reducing the amount of road related sediment from both public and private lands.

20. Status of Project Planning

- a. NEPA Complete: Yes No
- b. If No, give est. date of completion: _____
- c. NMFS Sec. 7 ESA Consultation Complete: Yes No Not Applicable
- d. USFWS Sec. 7 ESA Consultation Complete: Yes No Not Applicable
- e. Survey & Manage Complete: Yes No Not Applicable
- f. DSL/ODFW* Permits Obtained: Yes No Not Applicable
- g. DLS/COE* 404 Fill/Removal Permit Obtained: Yes No Not Applicable
- h. SHPO* Concurrence Received: Yes No Not Applicable
- i. Project Design(s) Completed: Yes No

* DSL = Dept. of State Lands, ODFW = Oregon Dept. of Fish and Wildlife, COE = Army Corps of Engineers, SHPO = State Historic Preservation Officer

21. Proposed Method(s) of Accomplishment

- Contract Federal Workforce
- County Workforce Volunteers
- Other (specify): _____

22. Will the Project Generate Merchantable Materials? (Sec. 204(e)(3))

- Yes No

23. Anticipated Project Costs [Sec. 203(b)(3)]

- a. Total County Title II Funds Requested: \$ 48,000 _____
- b. Is this a multi-year funding request? Yes No If yes, then display by fiscal year
 - c. FY02 Request: \$ 48,000 _____
 - d. FY03 Request: \$ _____
 - e. FY04 Request: \$ _____
 - f. FY05 Request: \$ _____
 - g. FY06 Request: \$ _____

Item	Fed. Agency Appropriated Contribution [Sec. 203(b)(4)]	Requested County Title II Contribution [Sec. 203(b)(4)]	Other Contributions [Sec. 203(b)(4)]	Total Available Funds
24. Field Work & Site Surveys				
25. NEPA & Sec.7 ESA Consultation				
26. Permit Acquisition				

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27. Project Design & Engineering	\$10,000			
28. Contract Preparation	\$5,000			
29. Contract Administration	\$5,000			
30. Contract Cost		\$48,000		
31. Workforce Cost				
32. Materials & Supplies				
33. Monitoring	\$5,000			
34. Other				
35. Project Subtotal				
36. Indirect Costs (Overhead) (per year for multiple year projects)				
37. Total Cost Estimate	\$25,000	\$ 48000	\$	\$

38. Identify Source(s) of Other Funding in Column C. Above [Sec. 203(b)(4)]

39. Monitoring Plan (Sec.203(b)(6))

a. What measures or evaluations will be made to determine how well the proposed project meets the desired ecological conditions? [Sec. 203(b)(6)] **Who will be responsible for this monitoring item?**

Aquatic habitat inventories which measure the amount of fine sediment in fish habitat. BLM hydrology and fisheries personnel in conjunction with ODFW biologists.

b. How will the project be evaluated to determine how well the proposed project contributes towards local employment and/or training opportunities, including summer youth jobs programs such as the Youth Conservation Corps? [Sec. 203(b)(6)] **Who will be responsible for this monitoring item?**

Contractor would be required to provide answers about local employment. Training opportunities exist for development of road engineering skills. BFRA Lead Engineer or designate will be responsible for monitoring success of providing employment/training opportunities.

c. What methods and measures of evaluation will be established to determine how well the proposed project improves the use of, or added value to, any products removed from

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National Forest System lands consistent with the purposes of this Act? [Sec. 203(b)(6) and Sec. 204(e)(3)] **Who will be responsible for this monitoring item?**

The project would not improve the use of or add value to products removed for BLM lands.

d. Identify total funding needed to carry out specified monitoring tasks (Table 1, Item 33)

Amount: \$5,000