

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR  
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT  
SALEM DISTRICT OFFICE

**ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT AMENDMENT  
FLAT PEAK MOUNTAIN THINNING**

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT No. OR080-00-013

This document amends the EA for the Flat Peak Mountain Thinning by describing the changes in proposed action, affected environment, and environmental consequences.

**III. Description of the Affected Environment/Environmental  
Consequences**

**I. Wildlife**

**Affected Environment**

Inventories were completed in **Unit 25 A** for red tree voles (January - March 2001) in accordance with the protocols established as cited in the EA. As a result 12 stick nests were observed. All of the trees were climbed, with one stick nest being identified as an active red tree vole nest and one being identified as an inactive vole nest (See attached EA Amendment Map).

**Environmental Consequences**

Since the inactive red tree vole nest was more than 100 meters from the active nest it will not require any protection. As stated in the project design features on page 13 of the EA, a 10 acre no entry buffer will be placed around the active nest tree to protect the habitat and microclimate around the nest.

Prepared by: Philip Hodling Date: 4-10-01

## FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

Based on the information in the EA and EA Amendment for the Flat Peak Mountain Thinning, it is my determination that the alternatives do not constitute a significant impact affecting the quality of the human environment greater than those addressed in the:

*Record of Decision and Standards and Guidelines for Amendment to the Survey & Manage, Protection Buffer, and other Mitigation Measures Standards and Guidelines (S&M ROD, January 2001) and the Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement For Amendment to the Survey & Manage, Protection Buffer, and other Mitigation Measures Standards and Guidelines (S&M FSEIS, November 2000).*

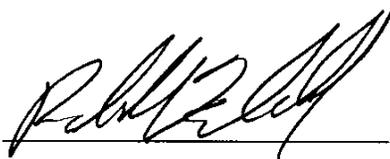
*Salem District Record of Decision and Resource Management Plan (RMP, May, 1995)*

*Record of Decision for Amendments to Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management Planning Documents Within the Range of the Northern Spotted Owl (ROD, April, 1994)*

*Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement on Management of Habitat for Late-Successional Forest Related Species Within the Range of the Northern Spotted Owl (SEIS, February 1994)*

Impacts to the environment would be not significantly more than those disclosed in the attached EA. Therefore, a new EIS or supplement to the existing EIS is unnecessary and will not be prepared.

Marys Peak Resource Area Field Manager:

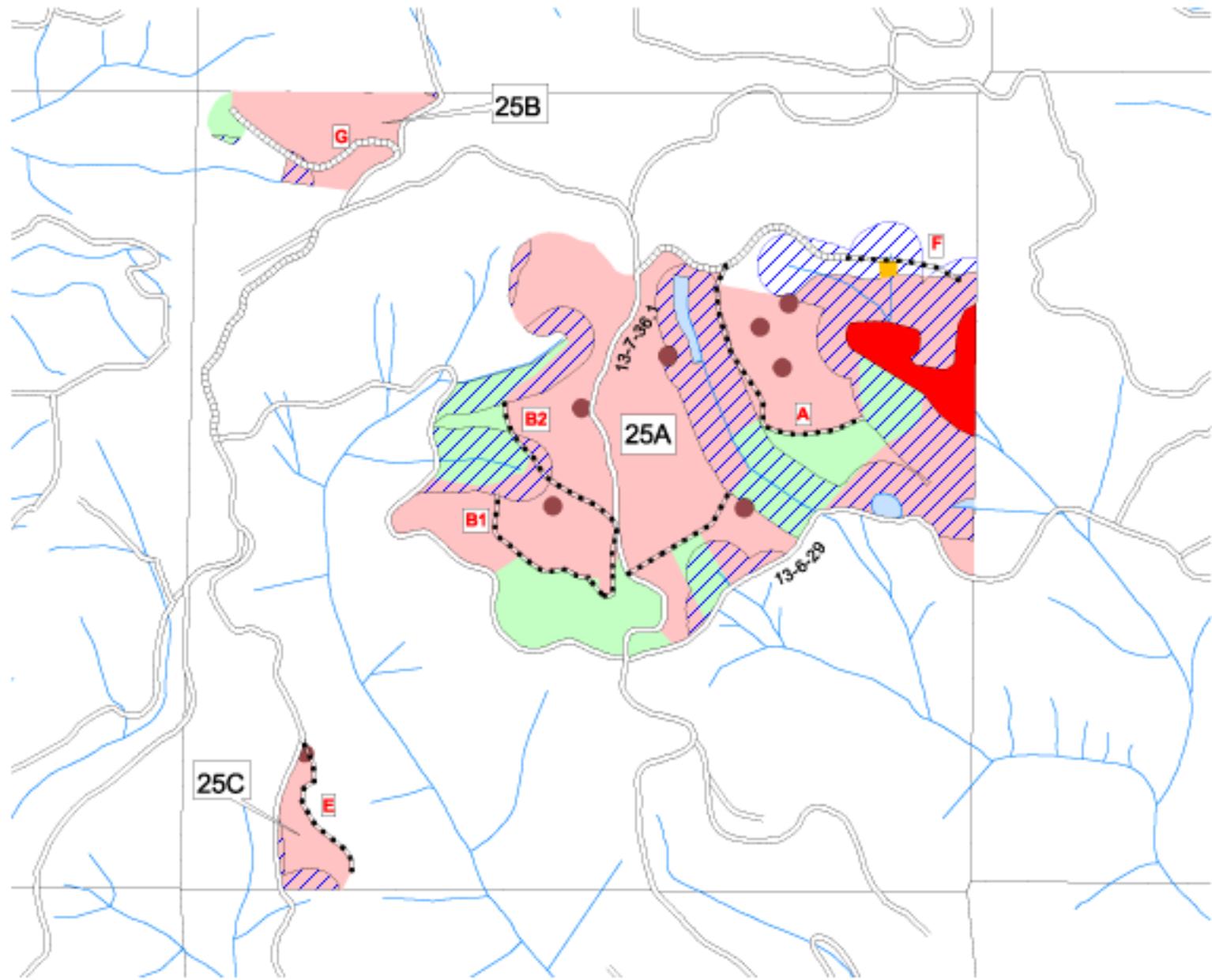


Date: April 10, 2001

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FLAT PEAK MOUNTAIN - EA AMENDMENT MAP

T. 13 S., R. 7 W., Section 25, W. M. - SALEM DISTRICT - OREGON



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|-------------------------------|--|--------------------------|
| — Existing Road               | ● Red Tree Vole Protection Area                | ● Skyline yarding        |
| - - - - - New Construction    | — Streams                                      | ● Fungus Protection Area |
| ⋯⋯⋯ Road to be Decommissioned | ▨ Riparian Reserves                            | ● Ground based yarding   |
| ● Conifer release area        | ● Stream Protection Zone (logging feasibility) | ⏏ Wet Area               |



Scale: 1" = 1,000'