

Klamath Watershed Partnership

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Woodland Park Special Road District Board of Commissioners

Re: Road Use and Maintenance Plan for Forestry Project

Commissioners,

On behalf of the partners and landowners involved in the Chiloquin Community Forest and Fire Project, I appreciate your cooperation and consideration of the following proposal regarding road use, maintenance, and repairs.

The proposed road use involves Old Korral and Larkin Creek Roads, and the connecting portion of Burr Ave., as ingress/egress for forestry work on Walter Seput's and Vince Brigg's properties. Traffic includes daily in/out by a logging contractor in 2-4 work trucks (passenger/pickup size). Additional traffic from the operation is anticipated to occur for approximately two months from 1-2 loads per day of biomass hauled on a log truck. Move in and move out will occur with a lowboy for 3-5 pieces of logging equipment.

Due to challenges finding water to be applied to a road for dust abatement (adjudication and available water sources to supply +/- 15,000 gallons of water), the contractor plans to do the operations during the fall season with cooler temperatures and higher moisture levels. Pending weather and road conditions, we will work with WPSRD if dust does become an issue.

Road grading will occur only on the haul route portion of Larkin Creek, with the goal to improve the road from its current condition. Work will only occur on Burr and Old Korral as necessary to repair damage. Plans for Larkin Creek Road include:

- If water pooling, runoff, or rutting is anticipated to occur or is occurring, then a preoperation blading will occur to prevent further damage. This will be evaluated prior to the
 operation commencing.
- Ditches where they exist, and appropriately exist, will be pulled and reestablished.
- The road will be bladed to provide water transport off the road surface through the use of crowning and outsloping.
- Rolling dips may be built where appropriate to divert water energy from the road surfacing.
- Where trees/stumps can be pulled to straighten/widen the road, those will be pulled and the road profile adjusted accordingly.
- Native (pre-existing) surface material will be used to reshape the road without spot rocking. If damage occurs from the forestry operation usage, spot rocking may be required of the appropriate rock (base rock or surface material) to repair damage.
- Ditch run-outs will be constructed where needed to dissipate water energy.

The anticipated start date will be September 15, and we will communicate with the WPSRD as timelines are finalized. Prior to commencement, we request a site visit with a representative of the WPSRD to inspect and document initial road conditions of the entire haul route (Larkin Creek Rd., Burr Ave., Old Korral Rd.).

Please let us know if you have any additional questions or requests at this time. You may reach out to me at the contact information below, or to Jason Pettigrew (Oregon Department of Forestry) at 541-891-7866, Jason.W.Pettigrew@oregon.gov.

Thank you,

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Faye moved to accept-proposal