

Deschutes County Forestland Classification

May 4th, 2015 – 10 AM
Minutes

Committee Members Present:

Ed Keith, Deschutes County Forester
Jeremy Ast, Sisters-Camp Sherman Fire
Kristin Dodd, ODF, Unit Forester COD
Matt Cyrus – Landowner, Grazing Representative
Bill Swarts – Retired, Timber Representative
Nicole Strong, Deschutes County, OSU-Extension Agent

Committee Members Absent:

None

Guests:

Boone Zimmerlee, ODF
Ben Duda, ODF

Meeting called to order at 10:03 am by Ed Keith

Introductions

Review & approve Minutes from 4/8/15 meeting

Review of April 8th, 2015 minutes. Motion to approve minutes by Jeremy Ast, and seconded by Nicole Strong. **Vote: For — Unanimous.**

Public Comment Period

None

Old Business

Review changes to map recommended by the Committee.

The Committee approved all changes on the map made by Oregon Department of Forestry per the Committee's recommendations at the April 8th, 2015 meeting.

Field Verifications:

T17S, R11, Section 15: After reviewing photos in the area in question, the owners are actively thinning the area and there is evidence of timber growth. Since it is producing timber the Committee agreed to classify the area as Class 2. They suggested that the classification of 2 should follow the ridgeline and the other portion should be classified as class 3.

T17S, R11, Section 3: This area has a mixed ownership of BLM and private property. The photos show quite a bit of juniper but the property owner is harvesting the Juniper to re-establish the timber in this area. There is Pine trying to re-establish after the harvest of the Juniper. The Committee agreed to classify this area as a 2. There is still an area that the committee would like further information on before they confirm its classification.

New Business

Continue review & preliminary classification of lands

The Committee continued their review of the Deschutes County lands in Township 18S (T18S), Range 8E (R8E). This area includes wilderness area; the Committee will only classify the area outside the wilderness area.

The committee reviewed and accepted the preliminary mapping classification designation by Oregon Department of Forestry on the following Sections in **T18S, R8E**: 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 20, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35 & 36

Further, the committee asked that changes be made, per the committee's suggested revisions, to the proposed maps presented by the Oregon Department of Forestry on the following Sections in **T18S, R8E**: 21

No Sections in **T18S, R8E** suggested for further review.

The Committee continued their review of the Deschutes County lands in Township 18S (T18S), Range 9E (R9E). This area includes wilderness area; the Committee will only classify the area outside the wilderness area.

The committee reviewed and accepted the preliminary mapping classification designation by Oregon Department of Forestry on the following Sections in **T18S, R9E**: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35 & 36

Further, the committee asked that changes be made, per the committee's suggested revisions, to the proposed maps presented by the Oregon Department of Forestry on the following Sections in **T18S, R9E**: 7, 24 & 25

No Sections in **T18S, R9E** suggested for further review.

The Committee continued their review of the Deschutes County lands in Township 18S (T18S), Range 10E (R10E).

The committee reviewed and accepted the preliminary mapping classification designation by Oregon Department of Forestry on the following Sections in **T18S, R10E**: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35 & 36

Further, the Committee did not have any suggested revisions to the proposed maps presented by the Oregon Department of Forestry on the following Sections in **T18S, R10E**.

No Sections in **T18S, R10E** suggested for further review.

The Committee continued their review of the Deschutes County lands in Township 18S (T18S), Range 11E (R11E). These lands lie adjacent to City Limits. The Committee has previously decided that lands that lay within city limits may be exempt if they were largely developed areas with streets, hydrants, minimal wildland fuel and a staffed/equipped Fire District that can respond to fire incidents.

The committee reviewed and accepted the preliminary mapping classification designation by Oregon Department of Forestry on the following Sections in **T18S, R11E**: 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35 & 36

Further, the committee asked that changes be made, per the committee's suggested revisions, to the proposed maps presented by the Oregon Department of Forestry on the following Sections in **T18S, R11E**: 1, 12 & 13

No Sections in **T18S, R11E** suggested for further review.

The Committee continued their review of the Deschutes County lands in Township 18S (T18S), Range 12E (R12E). Which abuts the ODF protection boundary, the committee will classify the lands within the protection district.

The committee reviewed and accepted the preliminary mapping classification designation by Oregon Department of Forestry on the following Sections in **T18S, R12E**: 6, 15, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 34, 35 & 36

Further, the committee asked that changes be made, per the committee's suggested revisions, to the proposed maps presented by the Oregon Department of Forestry on the following Sections in **T18S, R12E**: 7, 16 & 33

The Committee asked for more definitive information, including photos, of the following Sections in T18S, R13E, so that further review and evaluation could be made on these sections in **T18S, R12E**: 25 & 26

The Committee continued their review of the Deschutes County lands in Township 18S (T18S), Range 13E (R13E). Which abuts the ODF protection boundary, the committee will classify the lands within the protection district.

The committee did not accept the preliminary mapping classification designation by Oregon Department of Forestry on the following Sections in **T18S, R13E**.

Further, the committee asked that changes be made, per the committee's suggested revisions, to the proposed maps presented by the Oregon Department of Forestry on the following Sections in **T18S, R13E**: 31

No Sections in **T18S, R13E** suggested for further review.

The Committee continued their review of the Deschutes County lands in Township 19S (T19S), Range 8E (R8E). This area includes wilderness area; the Committee will only classify the area outside the wilderness area.

The committee reviewed and accepted the preliminary mapping classification designation by Oregon Department of Forestry on the following Sections in **T19S, R8E**: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35 & 36

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Calendar Planning – Meeting Schedule

Kristin Dodd shared with the Committee that some additional information about parcels within the City Limits of Sisters is now available after a meeting with the Sisters City Manager. The City Manager provided information on landownership and specific timelines for the development of these parcels. The Committee discussed the timeline they consider imminent development. Most of these areas might be developed between this revision of the classification layer and the next. With the new information the Committee re-evaluated two sections in the City of Sisters.

The Committee evaluated **Township 15S, Range 10E, Section 4**. There is an area that is imminent for housing development and a larger parcel behind it. The Committee agreed to classify the larger parcel as a 3 and the housing units as 0.

Another area the Committee evaluated was **Township 15S, Range 8E, Section 8**. The owner is currently trying to re-zone this area for development. The Committee agreed to put a hold on classifying this parcel until the remainder of the County is classified. They will revisit to assess any changes before they classify it.

The next Committee meeting will be on June 8th at the Sunriver Owners Association Building. It is located at 57455 Abbot Dr., Bend, OR 97707. If wildfire occurs before the June meeting the Committee agreed that a 10-day notification for the cancellation would be sufficient. Kristin will work with Alison Green to execute outreach in the Sunriver area for the next meeting.

There being no further business to discuss Ed Keith, **adjourned the Committee Meeting at 12:33 pm.**

Next meeting: June 8th, 2015 10am-1pm at the Sunriver Owner's Association Board Room; Located at 57455 Abbot Drive, Bend, OR 97707.