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Forest Management
[Question posed to the group] A large part of the landscape is overstocked with a combination of small to large diameter trees. What does the landscape need and what can the Forest Service do to achieve that?
? Uneven age material, follow nature's lead
? Diversity and mosaic on the landscape with old growth
? Promote large trees of favorable species
? Manage for open park-like settings
? Small openings, normal stocking
? Creating markets for small trees (bio-char for instance)
? Cut large and small trees out
? Open tree canopy to allow understory species, shrubs and grasses
? Increased heterogeneity of pattern
? Cannot use a one size fits all management approach
? Use commercial and non-commercial thinning combined with prescribed burning
? Explore economic opportunities
Fire
[Question posed to the group] How would you suggest the agency manage the forest landscape to allow for less destructive wildfire events to occur?
? Logging and pre-commercial thinning
? Chipping
? Weed control- fuel overload (needs fuel reduction treatments)
? Amount of smoke associated with the pace and scale of project. Follow Oregon Smoke Management Plan
? More spring-time burning (less competition in the spring)
? Focus burning activities away from communities during the fall
? Beetle kill- huge amount of material left that needs removed
? Mosaic pattern helpful in controlling wildfire
? Reduce ladder fuels to keep fire out of tree canopies
? Biochar as treatment option- no smoke
? Prescribed burning (less smoke)
Communities
[Question posed to the group] As a member of the community, what do you believe our top priority should be for this landscape-scale restoration project?
? Post-action condition, leave in same or better condition as pre-treatment
? Increased jobs
? Aesthetics/views
? Wood products- with a balance of commercial and non-commercial
? Reducing the risk of uncharacteristic wildfire
? Protecting private land and communities
? Grazing
? Opening up or improving habitats to move elk back to public lands. Timely/seasonal closures of

access for elk habitat
? Reduce unwanted impacts to private landowners and reduce unwanted impacts to National Forest infrastructure
? Reduce the risk to public and firefighter safety
? Opening up habitats to move other wildlife back to public lands
? Getting the restoration message out
? Recreation
? Water quality
? Sediment in streams
? Huckleberry picking
? Future forest sustainability and diversity

Wildlife, Aquatics and other Sensitive Habitats

[Question posed to the group] What fish and/or wildlife species and habitats are important for us to consider when planning the Forest Resiliency Project activities? What conditions do you see benefiting these species and their habitats?

? Mosaic patterns with islands
? Amphibian migration routes
? Butterfly habitat
? Timing of treatments to nesting/breeding migration
? Continued treatments/intervals
? Consider long term resiliency for stream bank species/shade (climate change)
? Pay attention to existing species and adjust habitat to meet their needs
? Air quality
? Elk damage on private land- get big game back on the Forest (and associated species like predators)
? Riparian area restoration
? Thinning will improve habitat for nesting species
? Early seral and open canopy habitats
? Wildlife movement corridors