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This Forest Plan Must Focus on the Law Passed by Congress: Multiple-Use Sustained-Yield Act of 1960 (MUSYA), Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 all of the US Mining and Multiple Use Laws and especially NEPA, 1969: Sec. 101 [42 USC [sect] 4331]. (b) In order to carry out the policy set forth in this Act, it is the continuing responsibility of the Federal Government to use all practicable means, consistent with other essential considerations of national policy, to improve and coordinate Federal plans, functions, programs, and resources to the end that the Nation may 3."preserveimportant historic, cultural, and natural aspects of our national heritage, and maintain, wherever possible, an environment which supports diversity, and variety of individual choice[hellip] while achieving a balance between population and resource use which will permit high standards of living and a wide sharing of life's amenities."

* 2012 Planning Rule: Page 3, "contribute to social and economic sustainability[hellip] and multiple uses that provide a range of social, economic, ecological benefits for the present and into the future" The USFS has failed in this regard from closing and decommissioning roads thus denying 42 USC 4331 "preserve important historic, cultural, and natural aspects of our national heritage" and "permit high standards of living. In the 1970's there were 5 timber mills and full employment in Grant County. Now all the sawmills are closed with one of the factors the USFS management. Just from these statistics the USFS has violated the NEPA and MUSYA acts! The decline in the quality of life in Grant County is the direct result of Federal Bureaucrat's mismanaging our public land at the negative expense of our local culture, industry, prosperity, education and stability of the population and citizens of Grant County, Oregon. What is the New Forest Plan for improving Grant County's high standard of living? The Plan must address the deficiencies identified by USDA leadership in 2019. Include a binding standard plan protecting subsistence uses and ensuring access for local residents to continue traditional activities, not just Tribal communities.
* Reduce Wildfire Risks to Communities and Clean Up Our Air: Page 5, "Citizens, firefighters, natural resources, capital investments, and private lands within the three national forests are at higher risk from uncharacteristic wildfire effects."
* Forest Access: The USFS continued priority to "decommission or close roads" wherein the USFS should identify and label as "historic used roads", some currently used as closed prevent and retard wildfire abatement. Do not close the roads that we, as taxpayers, built or paid the USFS to manage, open and build. If the roads are not used, the road will naturally be reclaimed. From the last unauthorized Forest Plan - Make an OPEN FOREST! It would be a win-win for the taxpayers to just leave the "historical used roads" as they are and those that use them will maintain them. The plan should prohibit closure, decommissioning, or obliteration of any road constructed before October 1976. These roads and access to the forest are our heritage. Thus, remove all language that supports the closure and decommissioning of roads while including a permanent plan standard

prohibiting reductions in current and historic access levels for the life of the plan.

* No new wilderness because most of the forest do not fit wilderness criteria.

* The plan must be flexible and respond promptly to local input, comments and coordination with local government.

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