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Deschutes and Ochoco National Forests Resource Advisory Committee Meets to Recommend Projects

Central Oregon – The Resource Advisory Committee (RAC) for the Deschutes and Ochoco National Forests will meet May 12, 2010 to review resource projects to be considered under the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000, as amended in 2008. The RAC will recommend project investments for approximately \$630,000 to Jeff Walter, who is the Designated Federal Official (DFO) for the RAC, and Ochoco National Forest Supervisor. The meeting will be held from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. or until adjourned at the Central Oregon Intergovernmental Council building, 2363 SW Glacier Place, Redmond, Oregon.

Projects have been submitted by citizens, organizations, counties and the Forest Service. Eligible projects are designed to improve forest ecosystem health, restore or maintain watersheds, improve soil productivity, maintain or obliterate roads or trails, restore or improve fish and wildlife habitat, control noxious weeds, thin tree stands or otherwise improve the condition of the forests.

Applicants will have an opportunity to give the RAC a brief project description and answer questions in the morning. The RAC will then review the projects and make recommendations for funding. The public is welcome to attend the meeting.