

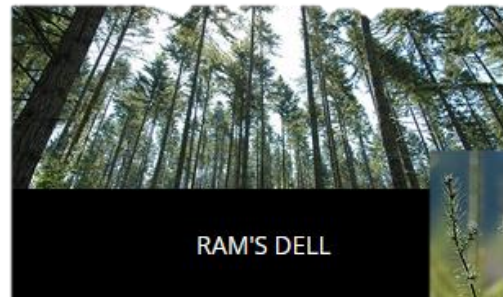


McDonald & Dunn Forest Management Planning Process

Spring 2022 – Fall 2023

OSU College of Forestry Research Forests

- 10 forest tracts around the state
- These Research Forests provide unique opportunities available to few other colleges
 - Research – living laboratory for discovery
 - Teaching – outdoor classroom for learning and skill development
 - Extension/Outreach – extensive sites for real-world demonstration and training
- McDonald Forest + Dunn Forest = 11,500 acres in Corvallis
 - Management plan was developed in 2005
 - We are now creating a new plan



McDonald & Dunn Research Forests Management Planning Process

Phase I: Information gathering, Discussions, Assessment of former FMP (Spring-Summer 2022)

Initial Interviews

Inventory of
Academic Use

Community Listening
Session I

Stakeholder
Advisory Committee
Meetings

Faculty Planning
Committee Meetings

Comment &
Question
Submission



Phase II: Synthesizing, Modeling, Refining (Fall 2022-Spring 2023)

Stakeholder Advisory Committee
Meetings

Faculty Planning Committee
Meetings

Academic User Listening
Session

Community Listening Session II
Community Input Sessions



Phase III: Finalizing (Summer-Fall 2023)

Presentation of draft plan to the Dean &
Forestry Executive Committee for review

Forest management plan refinement

Forest management plan approval

The Basics of a Forest Management Plan

- WHAT is it?
 - A document that guides management activities in the forest over a period of time
- WHY is it needed?
 - Forests grow slowly; planning requires a long-term perspective
 - To anticipate effects of potential management actions, need to know current conditions (what's there)
 - To determine what management actions should be taken, need to define desired conditions (what's hoped for)
 - To ensure management actions are sustainable, need to make projections (consider harvest options, develop a harvest schedule, examine growth and yield)



The Basics of a Forest Management Plan

Components

- Site description (geography, soils, vegetation communities, wildlife & fish, cultural resources, history)
- Goals and objectives
- Description of areas and resources needing special consideration
- Management activities/prescriptions
- Projections (growth and yield)
- Monitoring efforts



Guideposts for the Forest Planning Process

- **Vision** - *The OSU Research Forests aspire to be globally recognized as a model for an actively and sustainably managed forest system that supports the College's desire to advance forestry through scientific inquiry, education, and the application of new knowledge to inform best practices of forest management*
- **Mission**
 - *To create opportunities for education, research, and outreach to address the economic, social, and environmental values of current and future generations of Oregonians and beyond*
 - *To demonstrate how an actively and sustainably managed forest fosters economic prosperity, biodiversity conservation, and resilience amidst disturbances and global change*
 - *To support social and cultural values of forests, enhancing the wellbeing of local communities, Tribal communities, and our broader citizenship*

- **Goals**

Learning, discovery, engagement	Resilient forests	Community connections
Stewardship	Working demonstration forest	Financial sustainability
Research	Recreation	Accountability
Continuous improvement		

Summary of Activities During 2022

June	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
SAC-FPC meeting	SAC meeting #1	SAC meeting #2	FPC meeting #2	Community Listening Session #2	SAC meeting #3
	Community Listening Session #1	FPC meeting #1	FPC meeting #3	FPC meeting #4	
				SAC summary to FPC FPC summary to SAC	

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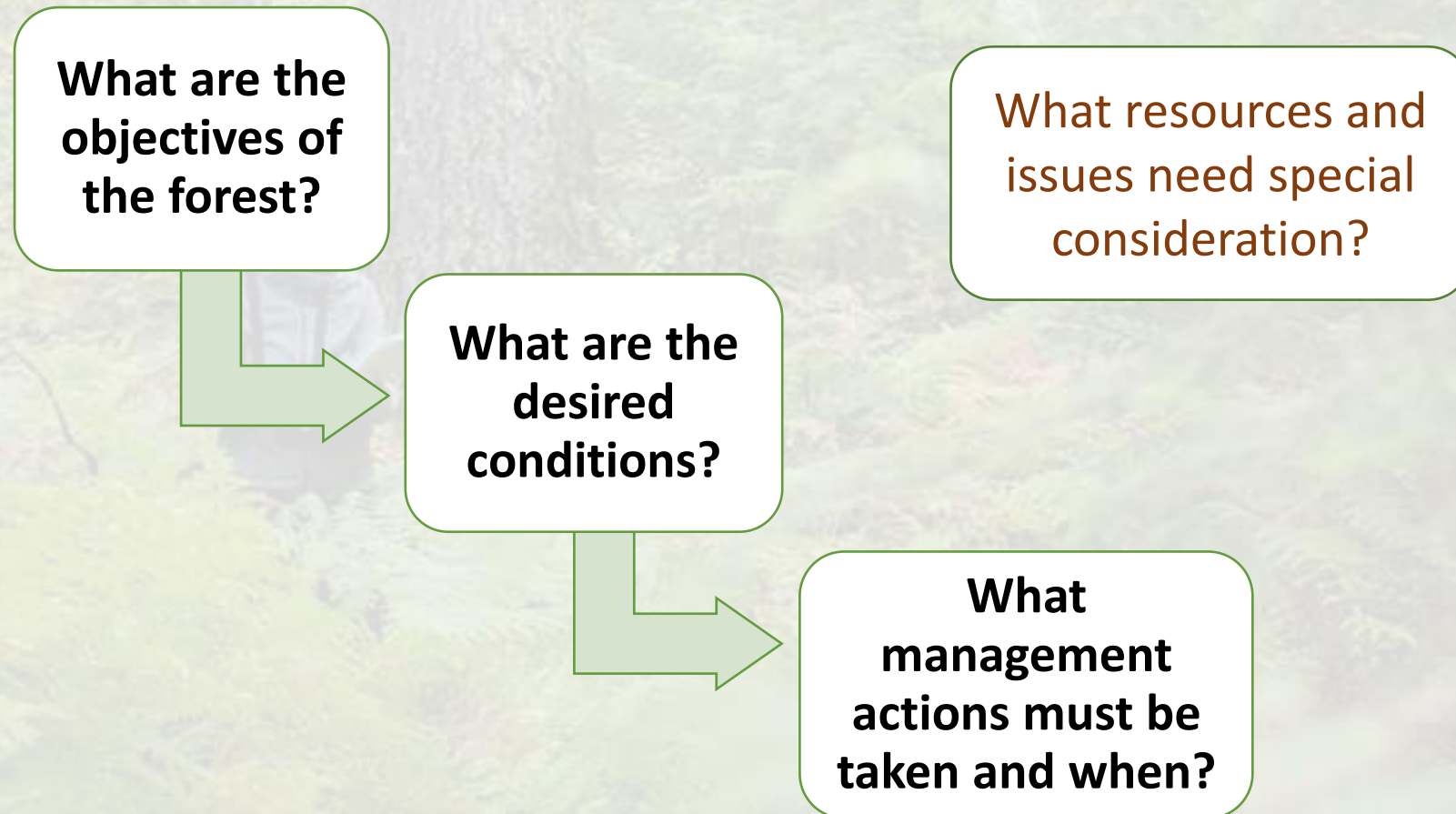
Summary of Future Activities

Nov 2022	Dec 2022	Spring & Summer 2023
Community <u>Listening</u> Session #2		Community <u>Input</u> Sessions #3, 4
	SAC meeting #3	Several SAC meetings
FPC meeting #4	FPC meeting #5	Several FPC meetings
SAC summary to FPC FPC summary to SAC	Draft sections of the plan	Draft sections of the plan
	Projections/modeling	Projections/modeling
	Develop scenarios	Refine scenarios

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Considerations for a Forest Management Plan



Goals of All 10 COF Research Forests



Your Input

The College would like to hear your thoughts on the following:

- 1. what you value about the forests**
- 2. what could be done to increase the ability of the forests to provide learning opportunities**
- 3. what should be prioritized to ensure sound forest management in the face of changing conditions (increased recreational use, wildfire risk, climate change impacts, etc.)**



Thank you!