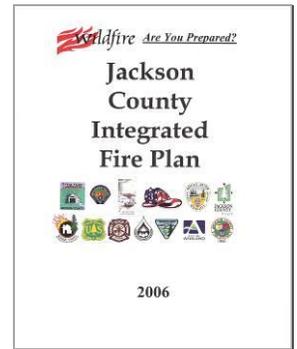
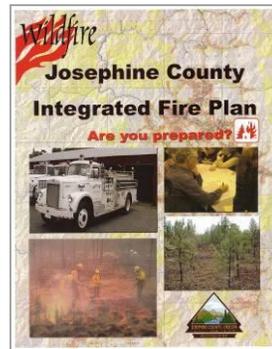


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A Joint Report of the Josephine County and Jackson County Integrated Fire Plans

Executive Summary

Southwest Oregon has some of the highest fire risk in the state. The proximity of rural, and often geographically isolated communities to fuels build up in a fire-adapted ecosystem creates physical risk and increased opportunities for catastrophic wildfires. Josephine and Jackson Counties consistently experience the highest occurrence of wildfire in the state. The combination of California fuels, eastern Oregon weather, and Willamette Valley population also leads to high suppression costs.

Over the past several decades, communities throughout Jackson and Josephine County have suffered devastating losses to natural resources, property, and community infrastructure. For example:

- In 1996, the Hull Mountain Fire was responsible for one fatality and burned 44 structures.
- In 2002, the Biscuit Fire burned nearly 500,000 acres, threatened 3,400 homes, and cost taxpayers over \$150 million.
- In 2010, the Oak Knoll Fire destroyed 11 homes and damaged two others.

The high poverty in the region and a declining forest industry has been compounded by tough economic times.

To address the significant wildfire problem, Jackson and Josephine Counties have a long heritage of collaboration.

In 1976, the Rogue Valley Fire Prevention Cooperative (RVFPC) became the first such co-op established in the nation.

The two counties were among the first in Oregon to develop collaborative plans and engage public and private sector organizations, as well as local citizens in their planning efforts.

- In 2002, the Applegate Fire Plan became the first community fire plan in the nation at the watershed scale.
- In 2004, the Josephine County Integrated Fire Plan became the first county CWPP in the state.
- The Jackson County Integrated Fire Plan was completed in 2006.
- Ashland, Seven Basins Watershed, Coleston, and Illinois Valley also have local CWPP's.

The mission of the county fire plans is to reduce the risk from wildfire to life, property, and natural resources.

Building on a long-term commitment for collaboration, and through ongoing financial support, local, state and federal agencies and community organizations have assisted communities at risk in this region to reduce fuels, strengthen emergency management and fire response capabilities, and continue to engage in outreach and education.

In 2010, the two counties allocated \$1.4 million of Title III (Secure Rural Schools Act) funds to projects designed to carry out activities under the Firewise Communities program and to develop community wildfire protection plans. These funds were used to update and expand the effectiveness of existing CWPP's, as well as assist two new Firewise Communities/USA efforts.

This annual report highlights the significant progress that was made in 2010 to accomplish this mission.

Statistical Summary

Since 2001, funding through the National Fire Plan has provided \$13.8 million to assist private landowners in Josephine and Jackson Counties to reduce hazardous fuels. Unfortunately, no new dollars were awarded in 2010. Using funds from previous years, fire plan partners assisted 515 private property owners with National Fire Plan (NFP) funds to treat 1,203 acres around homes and critical access.

The story was different on federal lands. 80,759 acres of fuels treatment were accomplished on federal lands in 2010. This is more than the three previous years combined. The Forest Service accomplished 54,677 acres in 2010 using American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) funds. Hope Mountain Stewardship Project, Waters Creek Hazardous Fuels Reduction Project, Ashland Forest Resiliency, Upper Applegate Road Corridor, as well as other projects in the two-county area benefited.

Committee Accomplishments

Eight fire plan committees work on 49 action items to improve emergency response and evacuation, identify risk and prioritize fuels projects, reduce hazardous fuels, provide outreach and education to the public, address the unique needs of vulnerable populations, and encourage efforts forest restoration efforts. In 2010, two action items were completed and progress was made on 45 others.

To increase the effectiveness and sustainability of the fire plans, a wide range of new partnerships were developed in 2010 with a range of organizations, including the USDA Natural Resource Conservation Service looking to align their programs to fire priorities, Oregon Health Sciences University nursing

students finding ways to track vulnerable populations during disasters, Rogue Valley Manor Community Services (Retired and Senior Volunteer Program) and local nurseries and others too numerous to mention.

Firewise Communities/USA

Two communities are well on their way to being recognized as Firewise Communities/USA. Shady Cove and Ashland have each established neighborhoods, began the community assessment, formed boards, and have engaged the community through events to reduce the risk of wildfire.

Local Community Fire Planning

Updates of existing local CWPP's have progressed for the Applegate, Seven Basins, and Illinois Valley Fire Plans. Following a year of community planning and meetings, an evacuation guide was published for the communities of Wolf Creek and Sunny Valley. The City of Grants Pass has begun a significant fire planning effort.

Collaborative Forest Landscape Restoration

The Southern Oregon Small Diameter Collaborative (SOSDC) and Josephine County Stewardship Groups (JCSG) joined others in several efforts that offer great promise in bringing forward larger-scale forest treatment projects on federal lands, including the Middle Applegate Pilot and Collaborative Forest Landscape Restoration Project. The *Solutions for Forests: Active Management Perspectives for Southwest Oregon* conference helped focus attention to solutions. On-the-ground forest restoration work and multi-party monitoring progressed on several stewardship projects, including Ashland Forest Resiliency and Hope Mountain.

Tested By Fire

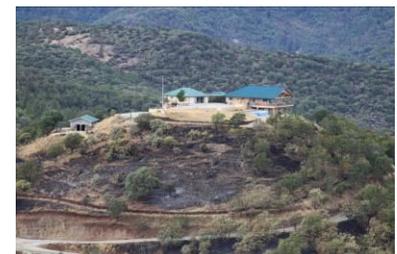
On August 24th, eleven Ashland homes were destroyed by the Oak Knoll Fire. This fire occurred in an urban area outside "traditional" wildfire hazard zones. Numerous factors led to the disaster, including shake roofs, flammable landscape plants, such as privacy screen of Leyland cypress, located near to homes. These in turn generated enough heat to break the windows on this house. Once in the neighborhood, the fire spread primarily through "urban" fuels.



ODF Photo

Demand for a new educational approach and landowner information resulted. Strong existing collaborative capacity and a fledgling Firewise Communities/USA program funded by county Title III dollars provided the means for the City of Ashland and OSU Extension to meet this demand.

Below is a home that survived the Blackwell Road Fire due to landowner fuels reduction efforts.



ODF Photo

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Statistical Summary

Fuels Reduction Treatments

2010 – Acres Treated of Defensible Space and Fuels Reduction on Private Land*

Administrator	Activity	Number	Acres
Josephine County			
Oregon Department of Forestry	Initial Assessments	328	522
	Treatment Completed	278	638
Illinois Valley Fire Dist	Initial Assessments	68	101
	Treatment Completed	85	179
Lomakatsi (Takilma/Rockydale)	Treatment Completed	21	111
Total Acres Treated			928
Jackson County			
Oregon Department of Forestry	Initial Assessments	274	512
	Treatment Completed	128	274
Ashland City**	Initial Assessments	10	2
	Treatment Completed	3	1
Total Acres Treated			275

*National Fire Plan Funded Projects Only (Community Assistance and Western States WUI)

** Started in November – only one month of accomplishments.

Trend – Acres Treated of Defensible Space and Fuels Reduction on Private Land

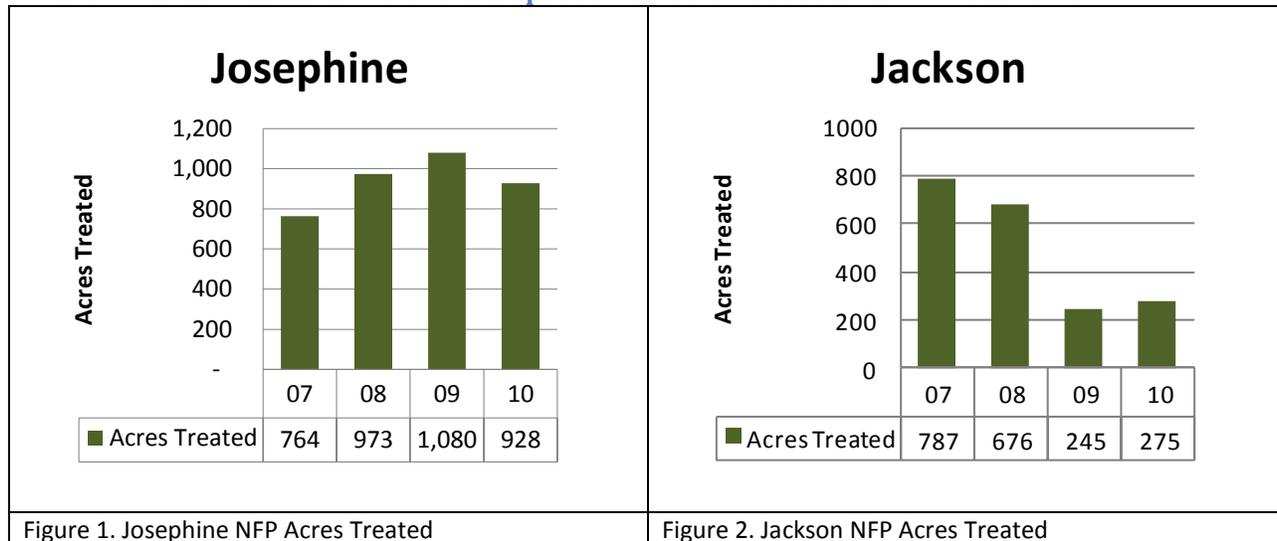


Figure 1. Josephine NFP Acres Treated

Figure 2. Jackson NFP Acres Treated

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Trend – Grant Funds Awarded for Defensible Space and Fuels Reduction on Private Land

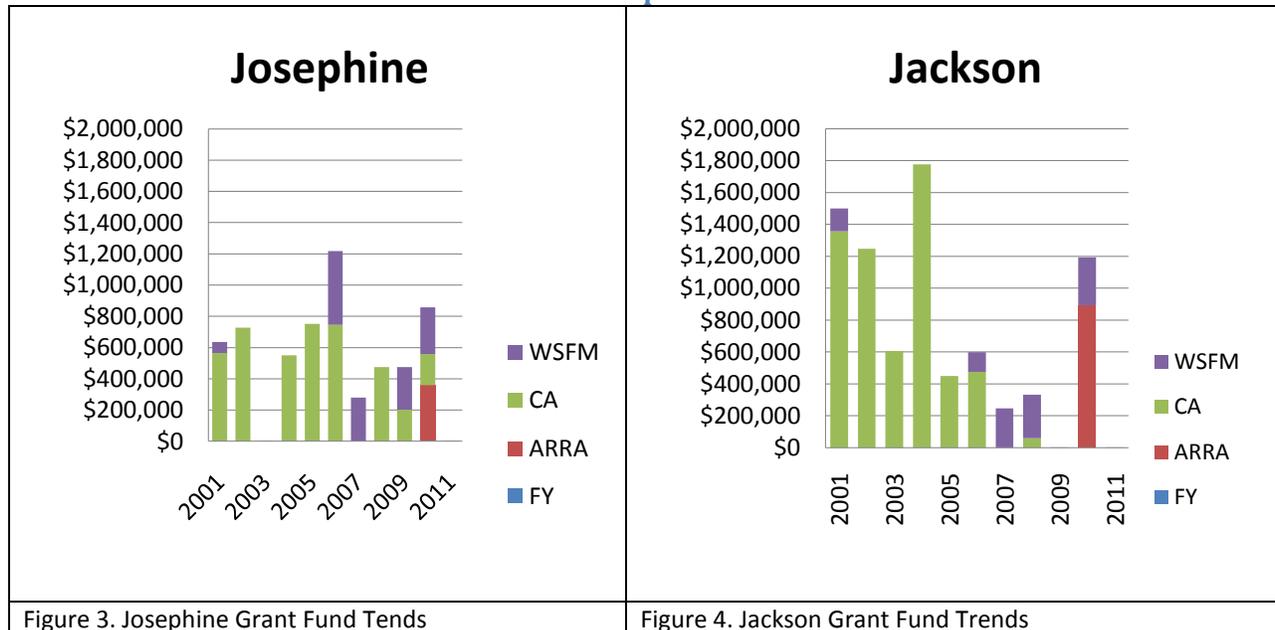


Figure 3. Josephine Grant Fund Trends

Figure 4. Jackson Grant Fund Trends

WSFM – Western States Fire WUI Grant, CA – Community Assistance Grant, ARRA - American Recovery and Reinvestment Act to ODF.

Trend - Agency Fuels Reduction 2007-2010

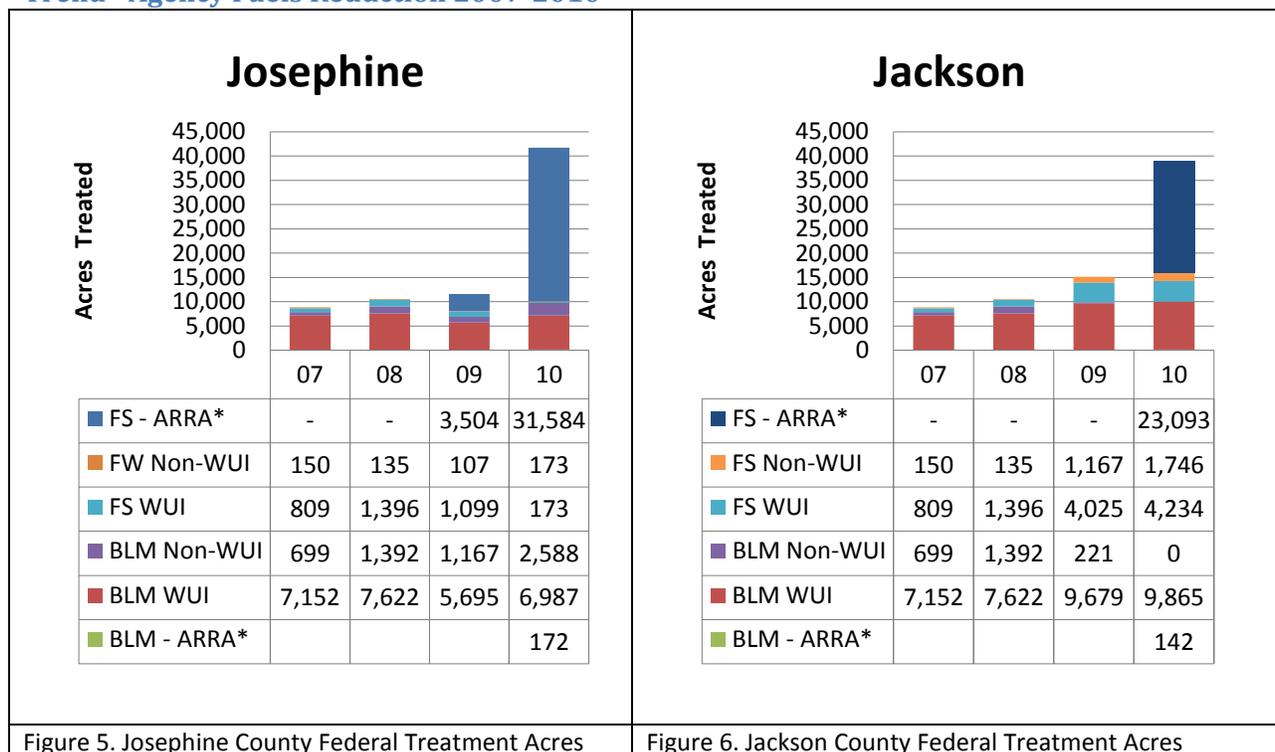


Figure 5. Josephine County Federal Treatment Acres

Figure 6. Jackson County Federal Treatment Acres

* American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) funds

Note: Through the federal agency reporting system, target acres reported by the federal agencies are not the same as 'footprint' treated acres. Each acre of each hazardous fuel reduction activity (thinning, pruning, hand piling, hand pile burning, etc) is an accomplishment acre, which means that certain types of activities (e.g., thinning/pruning) may have occurred in a previous year, while additional treatment on the same acres occurred in FY 2010.

2010 Stewardship Contracting

Agency	Green Tons Biomass	Saw Timber
BLM – Medford District (Josephine County)	5.391	<100 MBF
USFS – Hope Mountain (Josephine County)	698	180 Tons

Trend - Woody Vegetation Disposal Day - Josephine County

	May 2005	May 2006	May 2007	May 2008	April 2009	May 2010
Public participants	140	151	75	139	69	87
Yards of woody vegetation collected	300	330	-	356	91	215

2010 Title II Accomplishments - Acres of Fuel Reduction

Agency	Josephine County	Jackson County
BLM – Medford District	294	0
USFS	41	35

Incidence of Fire 2005-2010

Incident of wildfire for lands protected by the Oregon Department of Forestry, including private, local government, state, and BLM (2004-09).

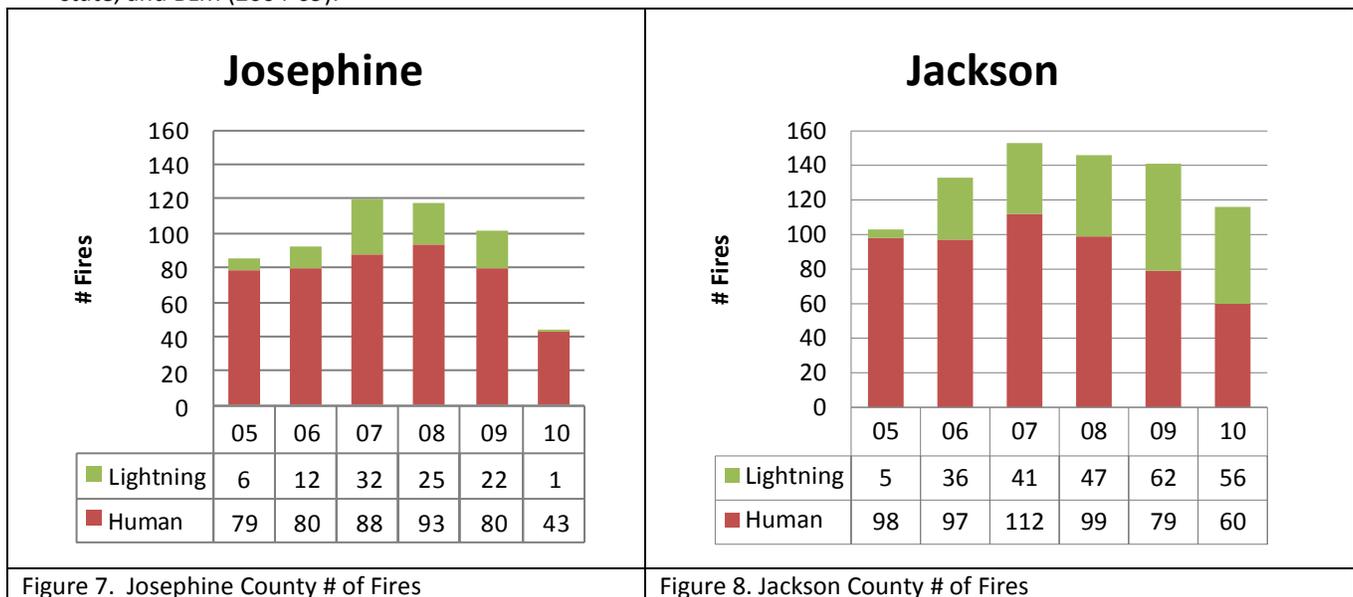


Figure 7. Josephine County # of Fires

Figure 8. Jackson County # of Fires

Source: Oregon Department of Forestry: www.odf.state.or.us/DIVISIONS/protection/fire_protection/fires/FIRESreports.asp

Committee Accomplishments

To address the complex range of issues with the fire plans, it became clear early in the planning process that broader and diverse participation was needed for successful implementation. Through public meetings and invitations to organize stakeholders, subcommittees were formed to develop objectives and implement actions to support the plans.

Committee Roles and Responsibilities

Role	Josephine County	Jackson County
Fire Plan Executive Oversight	Emergency Management Board	Executive Committee
Emergency Management	Emergency Management Board	Executive Committee
Fuels Reduction	Risk/Fuels Committee	Risk/Fuels Committee
Risk Assessment	Risk/Fuels Committee	Risk/Fuels Committee
Education and Outreach	Outreach and Education Committee	
Vulnerable Populations	Regional Vulnerable Populations Committee	
Stewardship/Biomass	Stewardship Committee	Southern Oregon Small Diameter Collaborative

Josephine County

Emergency Management Board

The Emergency Management Board (EMB) serves as the steering committee for implementation of the county fire plan. The EMB also serves in a broader role addressing all risk emergency management needs in Josephine County. It is the committee that is responsible for the emergency management action items of the plan. The EMB monitored subcommittee progress on action items, provided final prioritization for National Fire Plan Community Assistance fuel reduction projects, assisted with review of Title III project proposals, and prepared and presented the 2009 annual report to the Josephine-Jackson Local Coordination Group (JLJCG)

Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)

In order to recognize the efforts of the federal partners and anchor the roles of all partners in the implementation of the JCIFP, a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) was signed by all participating agencies in 2005. That MOU expired on Sept 15, 2010. A new MOU was developed that incorporated revised agreement policies. It was signed by MOU parties on or before October 1, 2010.

All Hazard Incident Management Team (AHIMT)

Members of AHIMT (Public Health, Rural Metro, and GP City FD) were sent to the Oak Flat fire camp to shadow the incident management team. No training was held for AHIMT members this year. Development of a Type III IMT is being coordinated with the Rogue Valley Fire Chiefs Association.

Emergency Operations Plan

The Emergency Operations Plan was updated this year with the assistance of a contractor. Work is continuing on Incident Implementation Guides for the EOC and the County's Debris Management Plan.

Evacuation Procedures

An update of evacuation info in the family emergency preparedness book was accomplished.

Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan (NHMP)

The required five-year revision of the county's NHMT started in 2010 and will be completed in 2011. The EMB will function as the NHMP Steering Committee, as the NHMP is the parent plan of the JCIFP.

Risk/Fuels Committee

The Josephine County Risk/Fuels Committee is a collaboration between fire plan partners and local communities to identify, prioritize, and implement fuels reductions projects in Josephine County. Primary partners include the BLM, USFS, ODF, Josephine County GIS, Illinois Valley Community Development (IVCDO), Illinois Valley Fire Department, Josephine County Soil and Water District, and the USDA NRCS. The committee's objectives are to identify communities at risk, the Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) boundary, maintain and update the risk assessment, identify and prioritize fuel reduction projects, identify strategies for coordinating projects on a landscape scale, administer grants for fuels reduction, provide opportunity for special needs citizens, and identify opportunities for biomass marketing and utilization.

Fuels Project Priorities for 2010

Based upon the new risk assessment, areas without recent grant support, and opportunities to collaborate with federal partners, the committee identified the following two project areas for 2011 grant opportunities:

1. Greater Grants Pass area
2. Greater Cave Junction area
3. Pickett Mountain/Cloverlawn Drive

Stewardship Group

The Josephine County Integrated Fire Plan Stewardship Group was established in 2004 by local citizens and agency partners as an effort to integrate community fire safety planning with the development of forest restoration and stewardship projects to protect forests and community interface areas from unwanted fire. The Josephine County Stewardship Group (JCSG), as it is now called, is a diverse and committed group of local and regional individuals and organizations with representation from local government, federal and state land management agencies, forestry contractors, non-profit organizations, and environmental groups who work together to improve forest and community health in Josephine County. The Josephine County Stewardship Group engages in collaborative planning, education, implementation, and monitoring of stewardship contracts.

In 2010, JCSG hired Kevin Preister as its coordinator. The Group focused on the following activities:

Butcher Knife Slate Project

JCSG worked hard to bring forward recommendations from community members regarding the development of this project near Hayes Hill in Josephine County. The Wild Rivers District of the U.S. Forest Service was consistent in its support of collaboration and the agency went on to complete the Environmental Assessment for the project, using the language and recommendations developed in the process. This language has been entered directly into the federal contract that will be let later on in 2011. As part of its evaluation process, JCSG will review the federal contract when it is in draft form and tour the site again to confirm the details of the proposed prescriptions.

Biological Standards of Biomass Retention

Members of JCSG reflect community concerns that promotion of biomass facilities may produce demand for biomass material that encourages over-exploitation of the resource. Members arranged for an expert in field research to speak to our group, Debbie Page Dumroese, a research soil scientist from the Rocky Mountain Research Station of the Forest Service in Moscow, Idaho. The group is now grappling with next steps in developing a scientifically-valid set of guidelines for “what to leave” on the forest floor in the course of conducting forest treatment projects.

Market Development

In these hard economic times when commercial timber prices are low, local industry people are not optimistic that biomass utilization of restoration forestry by-products is economically feasible. In addition, federal land management agencies do not have a backlog of forest treatment projects legally prepared or funded for implementation, making forest product utilization a moot issue for now. Nevertheless, group members believe markets will improve and are committed to being ready when the market is. Consequently, we have had presentations by two inventors and developers of biomass products. Jim Walmsley presented his idea for making biomass bricks for burning at an Illinois Valley site. Bob Schaller presented the prototype facility that he manufactured in conjunction with Rogue Community College, which makes biomass utilization for electrical generation feasible at the household level for the rural dweller or small woodlot owner. JCSG economic development partners, Southern Oregon Regional Economic Development, Inc. (SORED), the Job Council and the Illinois Valley Small Business Development Center, will work with JCSG on business opportunities as market conditions and a consistent supply of federal lands forest products make such opportunities feasible.

Landscape Assessment of the Illinois Valley

In keeping with the ongoing, deepening commitment to collaboration in southern Oregon regarding forest stewardship approaches, and in coordination with similar regional efforts, JCSG has determined to conduct a Landscape Assessment of the Illinois Valley in 2011. The goal of this effort is to promote mutual understanding and direction in forest management between responsible agencies, local citizens, and interest groups in fostering healthy forests, reducing fire hazards, and promoting local economic activity. The premise is that there is sufficient agreement among individuals and groups in the area that larger scale projects from the federal land agencies are feasible and will promote greater market certainty to attract the investment needed. The group has lined up partners from federal and state agencies and non-profit organizations to engage in broad-based community engagement in the Illinois Valley in order to promote learning between citizens and agencies about the most effective forest treatment approaches and the priority areas for treatment. Some revenues are already in hand to complete this work and three grant proposals are pending. The Landscape Assessment offers great promise in bringing forward larger-scale forest treatment projects from the Rogue River-Siskiyou National Forest.

Regional Collaboration

JCSG participates in regional efforts to promote collaborative approaches to larger-scale forest treatment approaches, stewardship contracting and fire hazard reduction. JCSG participated with the Rogue Basin Collaborative in submitting a request for long-term funding to the Collaborative Forest Landscape Restoration program of the U.S. Forest Service. Along with other

groups, it responded to the Western Oregon Task Force report of the Department of Interior, advocating extensive local collaboration as a means to accomplish forest management objectives. It is also participating with other groups in the region to coordinate a regional effort to promote reauthorization of Stewardship Contracting Authority in 2013.

Jackson County

Executive Committee

The Executive Committee (EC) serves as the steering committee for implementation of the Jackson County fire plan. The EC also serves as the committee that is responsible for the emergency management action items of the plan. The EC monitored subcommittee progress on action items, provided final prioritization for National Fire Plan Community Assistance fuel reduction projects, and prepared and presented the 2008 annual report to the Josephine-Jackson Local Coordination Group (JJLCG), officials and news media.

Emergency Management

The Jackson County Fire Plan Executive Committee provides oversight of the emergency management action items.

Strengthen Notification for Wildfire Evacuation

Jackson County made progress in finding a new vendor to update the county's Call Down System. Significant effort has been made to include and develop agreements with other partners in the county (i.e. cities of Ashland and Medford) to reduce overall cost and increase uniformity.

Develop a Wildfire Evacuation Protocol and Logistics Plan

A Vulnerable Populations Sheltering Plan was developed by Oregon Health Sciences University nursing students in collaboration with Jackson County Emergency Management. The Jackson County Fire Plan Executive Committee coordinated between agencies at the Rogue Valley Fire Chief's Association annual spring command and control meeting. County GIS updated aerial imagery for structure location. County fire map books continue to be updated and available for fire departments to access.

Use GIS resources during wildfire incident operations

The Jackson County GIS response team provided GIS support for the Blackwell Road Fire in 2010.

Risk/Fuels Committee

The Risk/Fuels Committee is a collaboration between fire plan partners and local communities to identify, prioritize, and implement fuels reductions projects in Jackson County. Primary partners include the BLM, USFS, ODF, Jackson County GIS, Ashland Firewise, Shady Cove Firewise, Applegate Fire Plan, &-Basins Fire Plan, Little Butte Creek and Upper Rogue Watershed Councils, City of Jacksonville, and the USDA NRCS. Its objectives are to identify communities at risk, the Wildland Urban Interface WUI boundary, maintain and update the risk assessment, identify and prioritize fuel reduction projects, identify strategies for coordinating projects on a landscape scale, and administer grants for fuels reduction.

Monitor Risk Assessment data annually to include LANDFIRE vegetation data and other updated data sources.

With strong support from Jackson County GIS staff and Title III funds, an update of the risk assessment using the two-county fuel-mapping project data was completed in 2008 and approved by both Josephine and Jackson County fire plans in 2009. In 2010, the assessment data was used to support the Southern Oregon Small Diameter Collaborative's Landscape Assessment, the Rogue Basin Collaborative Forest Landscape Resiliency Project Proposal, and agency NEPA planning. The assessment also supported project prioritization for both county fire plans.

Prioritize Fuels Reduction Projects on Private and Public Lands

Based upon the committee's fuels strategy, the new risk assessment, areas without recent grant support, and opportunities to collaborate with federal partners, the committee identified the following initial project areas for use of county-wide ARRA funds:

1. West side Bear Creek (Anderson-Wagner-Coleman Cr)
2. Support Applegate strategic treatments once the Applegate Fire Plan update is complete.

2011 grant opportunities are the same as above.

Track and monitor fuels reduction projects to assess effectiveness and track fuels reduction projects.

A subcommittee was formed late in 2010 to address this action item.

Control noxious weeds and coordinate with Jackson County Cooperative Weed Management Area Committee

A Committee member attended meetings of the Jackson County Cooperative Weed Management Area (CWMA). This committee member is planning to continue as the committee's point of contact and hopes that they will develop information to handout to landowners doing fuels treatment to minimize the unintentional spread of noxious weeds.

Coordinate biomass utilization efforts with the Fuels and Risk Assessment committees.

The committee participated in the Southern Oregon Small Diameter Stewardship Collaborative (SOSDSC) landscape assessment by providing risk assessment data and other technical support.

Encourage and assist fire districts, watershed councils, and other community organizations in development and implementation of a strategic fuels program

Provided support to four groups interested in development and implementation of a strategic fuels program – Upper Rogue watershed Council, Little Butte Creek Watershed Council, Shady Cove Firewise, and the Bear Creek Greenway. Support included prioritizing fuels project funds for the project, maps for public meetings, technical advice, and attending community meetings.

Joint (2-County)

Outreach and Education

The Outreach and Education Committee serves to increase public awareness and actions for fire prevention. Fire prevention education has been an ongoing effort for years in the Rogue Valley. It

works to accomplish the both county fire plan's action items as a subcommittee of the Rogue Valley Fire Prevention Cooperative.

Create a local fire prevention team

The Fire Prevention Team Training & Operations Guide was completed with help from Title III funding. Volunteers were trained and used at numerous events in 2010.

Continue to expand the partners involved in wildfire outreach and education

Shady Cove and Ashland Firewise, SOU, Local Nurseries, and OSU Extension were added as new partners. A *Forest Landowner Resource Guide* was printed & distributed to real estate offices in partnership with SW Oregon RC&D Council.

Coordinate an Annual Spring Wildfire Safety Campaign

Radio and TV spots aired in 2010. A Free Woody Vegetation Disposal Day was conducted at Jo Gro in Josephine County. There was high public demand for information on fire resistant privacy screening plants after Oak Knoll Fire. A booth was staffed at the Jackson County Home Show. Defensible space displays were built for both counties.

Increase the Effectiveness of Public Education

Title III funding from both counties was used to develop a public opinion mail survey that will help local communities and CWPP groups to update their constituents' awareness and opinions on wildfire issues. Southern Oregon University has partnered with this effort. Results are expected in the spring of 2011.

The Wolf Cr/Sunny Valley Wildfire Evacuation Plan was published & distributed in 2010 with the support of Title III funds.

Partners participated in over 25 Public meetings and events. Wildfire prevention messages were posted on billboards. Ads ran in weekly newspapers and radio stations. Two editions of the *Firebrand* newsletter were published and sent out to SB 360 properties in 2010. They were also posted on the RVFP website. The RVFPC website (<http://www.rvfpc.com/>) received a face lift and was maintained with current information. The RVFPC is now on Facebook.

Home Assessment and Recognition Program Training

A training package was completed in collaboration with the Rogue Valley Fire Chiefs Association (RVFCA) in 2009 to provide home wildfire risk assessment training at local fire districts and wildland agencies. The second training session was conducted in October 2010. Additional sessions are planned for 2011.

Wildfire Education in Schools

Presentations were made to Crater High School and Applegate school classes. Work has begun with Crater High School to develop fire prevention interns.

Land Steward Program

The second class of 20 students completed the Land Steward program in 2010. This program was developed by OSU Extension Service to assist rural residents in addressing wildfire and

other ecological issues on their properties. It was developed as a pilot for the state. New classes will be conducted in both Jackson & Josephine Counties in 2011.

Sustain a Long-term Educational Program

Partnerships have played key roles in multiple action items and will help the sustainability of the education program. Partnerships were developed with Rogue Valley Manor Community Services (Retired and Senior Volunteer Program), local nurseries and social service agencies in 2010.

Develop a promotional campaign for pet and livestock emergency preparedness and evacuation strategies

Both counties have contracted with a consultant to develop animal disaster plans and provide information and assistance. Partners were supportive and engaged, and included Jackson County Animal Control, Josephine County Animal Protection and Regulation, Sheriff's Offices, Fire districts, Applegate River Watershed Council, American Red Cross, Southern OR Veterinary Association, animal rescue organizations, Southern OR Humane Society, and community wildfire protection groups. Brochures were obtained and distributed providing guidance for the evacuation and sheltering of pets and livestock. Presentations have been given to many groups and organizations, and articles were published in newspapers, newsletters and on websites. Community and neighborhood meetings have been promoted and two were held. A list of FAQs for animal evacuation and sheltering was drafted and will assist the public with how to prepare pets and livestock during disasters in 2011.

Woody Vegetation Disposal Day – Josephine County

Josephine County's May 15, 2010 woody vegetation event continued a trend of limited participation. Participants brought a total of 87 loads of woody vegetation totaling over 215 yards to the Jo Grow facility during the four-hour monitoring period.

Regional Vulnerable Populations Committee

Oversight of the Special Needs Action Items for both plans was assigned to the regional Vulnerable Populations Committee. The Vulnerable Populations Committee focuses on preparedness and response for people who would need extra assistance in an emergency. They provide education, planning, and preparedness tools for vulnerable populations, including elderly and disabled citizens, and for the people and organizations that serve them. They are available to the Emergency Operations Center (as the VP Branch) during emergencies to provide expert assistance. The regional ad hoc Vulnerable Populations Committee has representatives from such entities as Senior and Disabilities Services, Public Health, Hospital Preparedness, Emergency Management, Senior Services, extended care facilities, Head Start, Translink, higher education, and private providers. The original vulnerable populations action items were developed based upon a needs assessment of special needs and vulnerable populations in the two-county area. The updated items are the result of a work plan developed by the Vulnerable Populations Committee.

Emergency Preparedness for Organizations

In 2009, the committee presented a regional workshop "Emergency Preparedness for Organizations" in collaboration with the Jackson County Citizen Corps Council, focusing on agency emergency planning, personal preparedness, and ICS for community responders. Planning began in 2010 for a follow-up session which will focus on agency emergency planning,

personal preparedness, and ICS for community responders. Members continued to recruit through contacts at other meetings they attend.

Special Needs Branch Plan

Effort continued to revise and test the plan based on findings from the 2009 and 2010 exercises. A collaborative effort involving several agencies and students in the Oregon Health Sciences University nursing program focused on the sheltering tab. A Vulnerable Populations Sheltering Plan was developed by OHSU nursing students in collaboration with Jackson County Emergency Management, Region 5 Healthcare Preparedness Program, and Jackson County Medical Reserve Corps.

Disaster Registry Outreach

In 2008, three flyers were created promoting the Disaster Registry. They continue to be distributed throughout both counties to local businesses, community partners and other agencies. The committee utilized OHSU nursing students to help promote the program in April and May 2010.

Educate Social Service Agencies about Wildfire Risk

Effort continued in 2010 to educate social service agencies about wildfire risk through fire group's Outreach and Education Committee. A training session to educate employees from social service agencies about wildfire risk and defensible space at their client's homes was conducted.

Partnerships with other groups

This year, representatives from the committee have worked closely with the Regional Outreach and Education committee, the Rogue Valley COAD (Community Organizations Active in Disaster), and local Citizen Corps Councils in both counties. These partnerships have served to increase awareness of special needs planning, as well as maximize efforts for outreach activities.

The Vulnerable Populations Committee participated in a project headed by the Region 5 Healthcare Preparedness Program Coordinator, Rogue Valley Council of Governments Seniors and Disabilities staff, and the Jackson County Medical Reserve Corps Coordinator. Each of these entities had three OHSU nursing students working on various aspects of special needs sheltering, including utilizing the Disaster Registry and Ready Books to help vulnerable populations prepare. A *Managing Spontaneous Volunteers* workshop was coordinated in 2011 in collaboration with Jackson County CCC to explore issues around spontaneous volunteers.

Southern Oregon Small Diameter Collaborative

The mission of the Collaborative is to remove small diameter trees from dense forests to improve forest health, reduce the risk of catastrophic wildfire, and strengthen the contribution of forest workers and industry to community wellbeing. The board engages diverse community stakeholders and agency partners to advance active management on federal forests to achieve integrated fuels reduction, forest health and market support goals.

The Collaborative partners regularly with the Jackson County Integrated Fire Plan for mutual benefit. The Risk Assessment work (Chap 5) and Fuels Reduction (Chap 6) prioritization goals of the Fire Plan have been integrated into the Collaborative's Landscape Assessment and are widely shared. The JaCIFP

executive committee relies on the Collaborative “to address the issue of small diameter tree and biomass utilization in the JaCIFP”. (Chap 9) The Collaborative works to merge diverse interests into a voice of support the goals and activity of the JaCIFP.

Middle Applegate Pilot Project

Current efforts include the Middle Applegate Pilot Project, an initiative supported by the Secretary of Interior to advance collaborative landscape planning and implementation. The pilot will link agency and community partners to advance social acceptance of integrated treatments that balance forest health, fuels reduction, and wildlife habitat needs while providing jobs and supporting the county’s manufacturing infrastructure. The Collaborative will be taking the lead in pilot monitoring.

Collaborative Forest Landscape Restoration Project

The Collaborative recently convened meetings and worked with the USFS and partners on a Collaborative Forest Landscape Restoration Project proposal that targets a similar set of goals on a jointly identified and prioritized USFS landscape.

Oregon Urban-Forestland Wildfire Protection Act (SB360)

A five-member classification committee began the identification and classification process for implementing the Oregon Forestland-Urban Interface Fire Protection Act in Jackson County in May 2010. This process was needed to meet the requirement to update the classification every five years. The initial classification for Jackson County was completed in 2005. The classification committee met at locations throughout the county to assure input from the local fire districts. Approximately 13,000 lots have been tentatively identified. Community meetings, a final hearing, filing of a Finding of Fact, and landowner notifications will occur early in 2011. Landowners who do not certify compliance with the Act’s fuel reduction standards may be subject to the Act’s fire cost recovery penalty, should a wildfire occur on their lands.

Approximately 19,000 lots in Josephine County were identified in Josephine County in 2008.

Funding and Grants

National Fire Plan

National Fire Plan grants have been increasingly difficult to acquire for both Josephine and Jackson Counties due to reduced federal funding for the program and increased competition for the funds as more counties complete fire plans in Oregon.

Community Assistance (CA)

The federal multi-agency community assistance program is designed to reduce wildfire threats to communities and to support local economies. There was no opportunity to apply for these funds in 2010.

Western States WUI Grants (WSFM)

Federal National Fire Plan funds administered by the Western State Fire Managers to assist interface communities manage the unique hazards they find around them.

Funds Applied for and Awarded

Two project proposals, one for each county, were submitted by ODF for WSFM funding. Currently, neither is targeted for funding. The projects were *Josephine County Communities At Risk* and *West Bear*, in Josephine and Jackson Counties respectively.

American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA)

In 2009, the Rogue River-Siskiyou National Forest received funding for \$25 million to reduce hazardous fuels as part of \$224 million in funding for hazardous fuels projects by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA). The Medford District BLM also received a small amount of funding. While there was no new funding allocated in 2010, the original allocation are responsible for funding nearly 55,000 acres of fuels reduction projects in 2010, including work in the Hope Mountain Stewardship Project, Waters Creek Hazardous Fuels Reduction Project, Ashland Forest Resiliency, Upper Applegate Road Corridor, as well as other projects in the two-county area.

Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act

In 2008, the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000 was reauthorized for an additional four years of funding (2008-2011). Two of the three categories of funds – Title II and Title III - continue to provide significant support to the expanding the effectiveness of Community Wildfire Protection Plans.

Title II-Special Projects on Federal Land

Title II funds may be used for the protection, restoration, and enhancement of fish and wildlife habitat, and other resource objectives consistent with the Secure Rural Schools Act on Federal land and on non-Federal land where projects would benefit the resources on Federal land. Resource Advisory Committee (RACs) are the mechanism for local community collaboration with federal land managers in recommending Title II projects on federal lands or that will benefit resources on federal lands.

BLM Title II Funded Projects (only fire plan related)

Josephine County		Jackson County	
Project	Amount	Project	Amount
ODF Firefighter Retention	93,992	n/a	
Total	\$140,777		

USFS Title II Funded Projects (only fire plan related)

Josephine County		Jackson County	
Project	Amount	Project	Amount
Josephine County Community Justice Crew and/or Job Council, to accomplish various projects, including: roadside brushing to alleviate fuel loading and improve fire fighting access	\$75,375	Jackson County Community Justice adult work crews to reduce fuel loads from federal lands as outlined by district forestry officials	\$62,225

Title III-County Funds

Reauthorization of Title III (Public Law 110-343) eliminated some uses for the funds. They may be used only to carry out the Firewise Communities program, reimburse for emergency services paid for by counties and performed on Federal land (e.g. search and rescue, firefighting), and develop community wildfire protection plans. Both counties allocated Title III funds remaining from the previous law (106-393).

Josephine County Title III Projects (only fire plan related)

Project Name	Amount
After School Forest Education	\$22,053
Special Needs Fuels Reduction	125,000
Wildfire Hazard Mitigation	131,350
Lomakatsi Restoration Project	50,000
Wolf Creek/Sunny Valley Evacuation Planning	60,400
Fire Plan Continuation	20,850
Outreach & Education - Animal Sheltering Planning	89,000
Outreach & Education - Education Expansion	125,000
Josephine-Jackson Local Coordination Group Support	5,000
Stewardship Contracting Collaborative	25,000
IV Fire Community Wildfire Protection Plan	20,000
GIS Fire Mapping Support	16,100
Total	\$689,753

Jackson County Title III Projects (only fire plan related)

Project Name	Amount
WUI Fuel Reduction	\$150,000
Southern Oregon Small Diameter Collaborative	30,800
Seven Basins CWPP Update and Expansion	21,900
Implementing Firewise Home Ignition Zone Principles	52,000
Fire Plan Implementation	40,000
Jackson Josephine Local Coordinating Group	5,000
Fire Safety Inspection Program	94,000
Community Involvement Website	21,500
FireMap Books	22,000
Risk Assessment Process Improvement	17,500
Aerial Imagery Acquisition, Structure Location	66,000
Fire Plan Outreach and Education Expansion	250,000
Total	\$770,700

Appendix A - Committee Action Plans

Josephine County

Emergency Management Board

Action Item	Lead	Timeline	Status/ Accomplishment/ Problems	Keep/ update for 2011?
EM 1. Clarify policies and procedures for emergency management planning and preparedness, including the emergency operations center; develop standard operating procedures.	Jenny and EMB	Ongoing	EOP updated this year with the assistance of a contractor. Still working on EOC Incident Implementation Guides for the EOC and County Debris Management plan.	Yes
EM 2. Strengthen National Incident Management Systems (NIMS) compliance. Find resources for IM training and incentives for participation. Review new NIMS requirements and monitor and implement NIMS requirements	Jenny and EMB	2011	Continued training in NIMS/ICS. Comply with FY 10-11 NIMS requirements.	Yes
EM 3. Maintain oversight of policies and a process for interoperable/interagency communications	EMB	Ongoing	Interoperable policies and processes discussed at meetings; updates given by agencies as appropriate.	No
EM 4. Develop and sustain agency coordination on evacuation procedures for fire and other incidents. Monitor community effort in Wolf Creek Sustain agency coordination on evacuation procedures (district and countywide.)	EMB	Ongoing	Subcommittee will be formed to develop SOP for evacuation for Josephine County. Accomplished update of evacuation info in the family emergency preparedness book	Yes
EM 5. Continue development and training of Type III County All Hazard Incident Management Team (AHIMT)	EMB	Ongoing	Members of AHMIT (Public Health, Rural Metro, and GP City FD) sent to Oak Flat fire camp to shadow. No training held for AHIMT members this year. Coordinate with RVFCA in development of a Type III IMT.	Yes

Action Item	Lead	Timeline	Status/ Accomplishment/ Problems	Keep/ update for 2011?
EM 6. Maintain broad coordination for the JCIFP	EMB	Ongoing	EMB will continue to provide oversight to the various committees. Will continue to work to find others within the county to attend committee meetings.	Yes
EM 7. Coordinate county-wide grant requests	EMB	Ongoing	Grant planning discussed at meetings; coordination and collaboration on grant requests by subcommittees and Firewise efforts. Title III and NFP, DHS	Yes
EM 8. Expand EMB oversight to include the Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan	Jenny	2011	As required by FEMA, the EMB will continue to function as the NHMP Steering Committee, as the NHMP is the parent plan of the JCIFP. Update the plan this year	Yes
EM 9. Continue to support fire mitigation measures within unprotected areas.	EMB	Ongoing	EMB will support fire mitigation measures within unprotected areas.	Yes

Risk/Fuels Actions

Action Item	Lead	Timeline	Status/Accomplishments/ Problems	Keep/ update for 2011?
RF #1. . Maintain risk assessment; evaluate and update the methodology. Create two County Hazard/Risk Map	Jim Gary Cody	Spring 2010	Done	Yes. Integrate with other assessment elements.
RF #2. Track public and private fuels reduction projects.	Group	Ongoing	Maintaining as well as possible.	Yes
RF #3. Develop a long-term strategy to monitor effectiveness and implement fuels projects. (Develop and implement effectiveness monitoring)	Group	Ongoing	We have not decided on an exact monitoring method as of yet.	Yes.
RF #4. Prioritize fuels treatment projects on All Lands	Group	Ongoing	The three project areas for 2011 Grants are 1) greater Grants Pass area, 2) the greater Cave Junction area, and 3) Picket Mtn/Cloverlawn Drive	Yes
RF #5. Use risk assessment in strategic planning and grant applications.	Group	Ongoing	Continuing	Yes
RF #6. Establish long-term strategies for maintenance of fuels reduction and coordinate with the Education and Outreach committee to ensure that any community input on wildfire risk and fuels reduction priorities reaches the committee.	Group	Ongoing	Working with JaCIFP and RVFPC	Yes.

Action Item	Lead	Timeline	Status/Accomplishments/ Problems	Keep/ update for 2011?
RF #7. Provide opportunities for stewardship contracting and support efforts of the stewardship contracting to meet JCIFP hazardous fuels reduction goals	Group	Ongoing	As opportunities arise we will forward to stewardship committee	Yes

Jackson County

Emergency Management Actions

Action Item	Lead	Timeline	Status/ Accomplishment/ Problems	Keep/ update for 2011?
EM #1. Strengthen Notification for Wildfire Evacuation	RVFCA	Updates fully implemented prior to 2010 fire season.	County Call Down System will be updated to be more user-friendly. Cities in the county will be invited to be part of the system. Working to add cell phone users.	Yes
EM #2. Develop a Wildfire Evacuation Protocol and Logistics Plan	RVFCA	RVFCA adopted PNWWFCG Evacuation Guidelines	Review agency experiences and Coordinate between agencies annually at RVFCA Spring Command & Control Meeting. County GIS updating aerial imagery for structure location. County fire map books updated & automated for easier updates if the future.	Yes
EM #3. Use GIS resources during wildfire incident operations	County GIS and agency GIS staff.	Create data standards followed by field protocol for information sharing and GIS incident support. Ongoing timeline depends on access to funding and staff time.	Continue making connections for GIS support on fires. Complete development of team & protocols. Good GIS support for Ashland & Medford wildfires in September 2009. Improve County Call Down system.	Yes
EM #4. Present Emergency Management action items to Rogue Valley Fire Chiefs Association	Executive Committee	Ongoing	Give JaCIFP Annual Update to RVFCA	Yes
EM #5 Coordinate Training, Fire District Capacity building,	Rogue Interagency Training	Ongoing depending on grants schedules and training	Coordination of grants requests. Applied for 1 training grant and 1	Yes

Action Item	Lead	Timeline	Status/ Accomplishment/ Problems	Keep/ update for 2011?
Rural Fire Assistance and Volunteer Fire Assistance grants	Association	opportunities.	equipment grant in 2009 on a regional basis with AFG.	

Risk/Fuels Actions

Action Item	Lead	Timeline	Status/ Accomplishments	Keep/ update for 2011?
RA #1 – update risk assessment priorities	Wolf	2011	<p>The updated risk assessment was approved for both Jackson and Josephine Counties in 2009-10.</p> <p>2011: The next step is to update the ratings of Strategic Planning Units (SPU’s based upon current conditions and the probability of harm or loss of importance values.</p> <p>2011: Coordinate with and support other county, CWPP and landscape assessments, such as Jackson County Fire Safety Exemption Area, Applegate and 7 Basin CWPP updates, the Collaborative’s Landscape Assessment, the Collaborative Forest Landscape Restoration Proposal, etc.</p> <p>2011: Within the first quarter of 2011, set up a series of meetings to dedicate to this task. Report to all concerned partners the results of the priorities.</p>	Yes
FR#1- track and monitor fuel reduction projects	Krunglevich & a newly developed monitor plan committee	2011	<p>Develop a monitoring plan that will include, but not be limited to: 1) tracking fuels treatments, dates, type of veg., etc.; 2) make it possible to notify private property owners of the need to update their defensible space; 3) include gathering information regarding how long treatments last via field observations and photos from around the valley, so that everyone has good information on what to expect from a fuels reduction treatment and when they will need to schedule follow up treatments; and, 4) will have the ability to be adapted from learning, will provide useful information to all land managers, etc. Jackson County GIS has Title 3 grant funding to develop a web application to capture treatments. They are also exploring methods to streamline the</p>	Yes

Action Item	Lead	Timeline	Status/ Accomplishments	Keep/ update for 2011?
			<p>process for updating the fuels maps and risk assessment with new treatment data.</p> <p>2011: Find out what has been done to date and what is needed to complete this portion of the task. Add new participants in this endeavor such as fire ecologists Tom Sensenig & Tom Atzet. If necessary present the importance of this task to the new Commissioners.</p>	
FR #2- long term fuels strategy and prioritization	Krunglevich	2011	2011: Use current and/or updated assessment data from county and local CWPP's, agency fuels accomplishments and plans, and committee input to identify and prioritize fuels projects for 2011-12. Possibly hold a forum of all fuels planners (& their bosses?) to review individual effort priorities, in an effort to combine and conquer??	Yes
FR #3 – Noxious Weeds: Importance, identification & control	Fuels Committee/O & E	2011-2	<p>2011:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Work with all partners to provide one central publication on weeds that works for all uses, rather than having several partners spending funds to print separate but duplicate publications. 2) Continue to work with the OSU Extension Service's Land Steward program to educate and energize private landowners to care about and therefore spread the word about noxious weeds. 3) Continue to provide home assessment agents knowledge of and materials on weeds, so that they can easily pass valuable materials and information to any interested private landowner. 4) Work with CWMA to develop a 1-page education document for landowners who have done fuel reduction. 	Yes
FR #4 – Coordination with power and roads	Shaffer/Perrotti/all	2011	<p>2011: Due to the ongoing budgetary issues at the state and county levels - Investigate the existence of any state, county or municipal provisions to allow private landowners to remove hazardous fuels from under/along roads or power lines directly abutting their own properties, in exchange for some sort of property tax credits.</p> <p>Analyze said research findings.</p>	Yes

Action Item	Lead	Timeline	Status/ Accomplishments	Keep/ update for 2011?
			Eventually present findings to Co. Commissioners with recommendations.	
FR#5 - Biomass	Wolf	Ongoing	Provide liaison with SOSDC	Yes
FR#6 - Assistance	Benson	Ongoing	Little Butte Cr WS, Upper Rogue WS, Jacksonville, and Shady Cove (Firewise)	Yes
FR#7 – Funding strategy	Perrotti	n/a	Keep, but back burner	Yes

Joint (2-County)

Outreach and Education Actions

Step	Status and Accomplishments	Lead	Problems/Policy, Plan, Funding changes
OE #1 Recruit and train fire prevention volunteers.			
Work with RSVP to recruit volunteers for fire prevention events.	Volunteers trained & used at events in 2010	John	
Use volunteers for prevention activities during times of extreme fire danger and during fires.	Fire Prevention Team training & operations Guides- Completed	Brian, John	
Develop TV & Radio spots for use after a wildfire. Develop more PSA's for other seasons and universal use. Explore use of RVTV for production.		Brian, Sandy	Finish non-proprietary messages for use across multiple media outlets into the future.
Develop list of most frequently asked questions & answers for use of EOC phone operators during a fire. Distribute this list to the Rogue Valley Community Organizations Active in Disaster (RVCOAD).	Re-evaluate lessons learned in the past and compile list of FAQs. Lin has drafted a list of FAQs for animal evacuation.	Carey, Brian and Lin	Incorporate into County EOC procedures
Handouts for use during fires.	Completed handouts on "When Evacuation is Imminent" & "If you Are Unable To Evacuate"	Teresa	Post on the RVFP Co-op website.
Develop Face book Page for the RVFPC. Use twitter for prevention messages during fires. Use Blog to discuss prevention issues		Brian	2011: Make these tools available to more ODF staff, so that the public can receive up-to-date information during events.
Conduct a Prevention Exercise in conjunction with RVFCA spring exercise.	Lobby Chiefs to host an exercise in 2011	Brian, John	
Explore long term funding & management support for volunteer program		John	
OE #2 Continue to expand the partners involved in wildfire outreach and education in Josephine and Jackson counties.			
Contact /engage potential partners	Added Shady Cove & Ashland Firewise, SOU, Local Nurseries, OSU Extension	Neil, Brian, Teresa, Ashley, John	Place displays in local nurseries
Create list of existing & potential partners	Printed & distributed Forest Landowner Resource Guide to Real Estate Offices	O and E Committee, Sandy	Develop contacts with Real Estate, Insurance companies & Pet & Stock supply stores Inform the RVFCA of O & E activities regularly. Try to get FDs to include RVFPC blog,

Step	Status and Accomplishments	Lead	Problems/Policy, Plan, Funding changes
			twitter, etc. on their webpages.
Continue support of local CWPP's O&E	Ongoing	Neil, Brian	
OE #3 Coordinate an Annual Pre-Fire Season Wildfire Safety Campaign			
Determine key messages of campaign including the need for defensible space maintenance, burning safety and air quality.	Radio & TV spots aired in 2010. Free Woody Vegetation Disposal Day conducted at Jo Gro.	All	Develop timely articles for the Firebrand newsletter
Develop Defensible Space Maintenance brochure	O & E work w/ fuels group to develop in 2011	Sandy, Max, John, Ali, Al Mason	Request funding in Title III grant for development & printing.
Develop Handout for fire resistant landscape plants for privacy screening	High public demand for Information on safe privacy screening plants after Oak Knoll Fire	Max, Ali	
Coordinate booths at both Spring Home Shows in both counties (Feb & May), and both Master Gardeners Fairs (April-May), including booth reservation, staffing, set-up & take down.	Booth at Jackson County home show in 2010	John, Teresa, Ashley	Include information on noxious weeds
Place displays in County Offices & other locations i.e. home improvement stores, nurseries.	Defensible space displays built for both counties in 2010. Plant displays being built for nurseries.	John, Teresa, Ashley	
OE #4 Promote the Wildfire Safety Speaker's Bureau			
Market list of expert speakers.		Brian	
OE #5 Increase the Effectiveness of Public Education			
2011: Conduct public opinion mail survey in Ashland, Greensprings, Seven Basins, Applegate Watershed & Wolf Cr. Use all survey results to design future public outreach & education.	2010: Survey developed; contract signed with SOURCE to implement in 4 communities in Jackson Co & 1 in Josephine. 2011: Findings available June for analysis & use for designing future outreach & education.	Sandy, Jenny	Apply for funding for implementation in other communities in 2011. Sandy presented project to RVFCA in Jan. to spur interest in doing survey in more communities.
Wolf Cr/Sunny Valley Wildfire Evacuation Plan	Book published & distributed in 2010	Jenny	Wolf Cr FD conducting follow-up outreach, & survey. Evacuation route signs being installed in 2011.
Public education on the need to conduct prescribed burns during fire season	BLM/FS burning in Oct 2010 during fire season	Brian, Sandy, all	Work with federal agencies & Fuels/Risk Comm. before Fall.
Facilitate monthly committee meetings to determine effectiveness of O&E messages.	Ongoing	Neil	Include this item on all O & E meeting agendas in 2011
Coordinate updated O&E messages to	Participated in over 25 Public	All	Consider an incentive

Step	Status and Accomplishments	Lead	Problems/Policy, Plan, Funding changes
the public; review annually.	meetings & events. Posted wildfire prevention messages on billboards. Ads in weekly newspapers & radio stations		included in a mailing that could be used to gauge public participation and understanding. Include monitoring as an agenda item at O&E meetings.
Publish & mail Firebrand newsletter to SB 360 properties. Post on RVFP website.	2 editions sent out in 2010	Brian	Publish every other month in 2011
Maintain RVFPC website	Site updated with new information in 2010	Teresa	Install counter on website in 2011.
OE #6 Home Assessment Program Training			
Provide home assessment program training at local fire districts and wildland agencies.	2010: Second session Oct. 1, 2010. Additional sessions being scheduled for Jan. 2011.	Sandy & Carey	
Set up a monitoring system with the RVFCA to gauge the effectiveness of this Assessment training; determine factors to monitor, such as increase in Fire District volunteers/support, increased numbers of homes with defensible space, increased calls for home inspections, etc.		Carey & RVFCA	
OE #7 Wildfire Education in Schools			
Update wildfire education kits for supplies & build more kits as needed. Verify that lessons still meet school standards.	ODF, Rural Metro & Applegate FD currently have kits	Teresa, Carey	
Demonstrate kit at teacher in-service days. Promote the kits to partners such as the RVFCA and leadership of federal and state agencies. Add kit lesson availability to Speaker's Bureau.		Teresa	Use with speaker's bureau – find out if there is a meeting or seminar for educators, local youth organization leaders, etc. and present kits
Work with school groups and student interns on wildfire prevention.	Presentations to Crater High School classes, Applegate school classes & work with Crater high school intern	Teresa, Ashley & John	Work with Phoenix High School students on wildfire prevention on Bear Creek Greenway.
OE #8 Sustain a Long-term Public Education Program			
Continue Land Steward program to address wildfire issues among private property owners.	2010: Second class of 20 students. A comparison table showing the community focus & work done by students is forthcoming. Noxious weeds are a common issue with the students. O & E to review & discuss.	Sandy Shaffer, Max Bennett	Classes are scheduled in Jackson & Josephine Counties in 2011.

Step	Status and Accomplishments	Lead	Problems/Policy, Plan, Funding changes
Rewrite & print "Living With Wild-fire" booklets (include Partners In Fire Education public communications results in future updates)		Sandy	Reprint in 2011
Develop partnerships to share costs and staff time of O&E programs.	Partnerships developed with RSVP, local nurseries & social service agencies in 2010.	O and E committee	Develop partnerships with insurance companies, businesses (Home Depot, Lowe's), etc.
Find and apply for grant funding to provide operating capital to implement the components of the education campaign annually. Work with the RVFCA & federal/state agency leadership to have the 2-County O & E committee be the local lead for public wildfire education efforts, to avoid costly duplication of efforts.	Title III grants in both counties for O&E activities.	Sandy, Brian, Jenny, All	Put educational component into fuels reduction grants in future. Have a grant committee help write grant proposals, so that they are most effective. Make pitches to JJLCG & RVFCA & new County Commissioners
Monitor and adapt process on an annual basis.	Conducted annual report process and planning for the next year.	Jim, Neil	Continue annual monitoring and update process.
OE #9 Develop a promotional campaign for pet and livestock emergency preparedness and evacuation strategies.			
Conduct exercise to test animal evacuation and sheltering	Manuals are being developed that will be available for exercising in FY 2012	Mike Curry; Jenny	Need to determine if the manuals can be exercised independently or need to be part of a comprehensive exercise.
Establish partnerships with agencies and organizations	Partners are supportive and engaged and include many local, state and federal agencies and organizations	Lin Bernhardt	This will involve additional groups as the project continues. Need to involve federal agencies (BLM and USFS) in more depth
Provide opportunities for public education and promote awareness of the importance of planning for the evacuation and sheltering of pets and livestock	Both counties have contracted with a consultant since July to develop animal disaster plans and provide information and assistance. Brochures were obtained and distributed providing guidance for the evacuation and sheltering of pets and livestock. Presentations have been given to many groups and organizations,	Lin Bernhardt and partners	A series of community meetings are being planned for 2011/2012

Step	Status and Accomplishments	Lead	Problems/Policy, Plan, Funding changes
	and articles were published in newspapers, newsletters and online websites. Community and neighborhood meetings have been promoted and two held.		
Update list of most frequently asked questions & answers for use of EOC phone operators, and share with county emergency managers.	A list of FAQs for animal evacuation and sheltering was drafted and will assist the public with how to prepare pets and livestock during disasters 2011	Lin Bernhardt	Work with county emergency managers to use FAQ's in emergencies
2011 Find funding for continued education and exposure to this program for the long term. Start moving the "partners" towards those who can help fund over the long run.		O & E, Lin, RVFCA, etc.	Title III funding for this project runs out in 2012. Develop funding partnerships with pet & stock supply stores, FEMA, etc.

Vulnerable Populations Actions

Action Item	Lead	Timeline	Steps	Status
VP #1 Continue efforts to involve community organizations in planning for special populations	Carol & Jenny (consult with Brian Johnson in Lane County)	3/2011	Conduct a follow-up to the 2009 workshop "Emergency Preparedness for Organizations", which focused on agency emergency planning, personal preparedness, and ICS for community responders.	In progress
	All	Ongoing	Members continue to recruit through contacts at other meetings they attend.	
VP #2 Continue outreach for the Disaster Registry	Carol & Connie	Ongoing	Continue to distribute flyers advertising the program. Explore having a booth at events such as Options for Success, September preparedness events, ODF events.	Ongoing
VP #3 Continue development of Special Needs Branch Plan to include a sheltering tab	Carol, Connie and Don	11/2010	Revise and test Plan based on findings from the 2009 and 2010 exercises.	Ongoing
	Beth, Carol, Connie, Tricia, Tonya	12/2010	A collaborative effort involving several agencies and students in the OHSU nursing program focused on the sheltering tab.	
VP #4. Develop and expand both county's Emergency Transportation Plans for Vulnerable Populations	Tonya & Connie	3/2011	Jo County plan in final stages. Jackson County has a final draft.	Follow-up meeting with hosp. reps.

Action Item	Lead	Timeline	Steps	Status
VP #5 Prepare and distribute Emergency Ready Books to citizens	Carol, Beth, Connie, Tonya, & Tricia Above plus DR, MRC, CERTs	9/2010 10/10 Ongoing	Finalize distribution plan. Finalize completion instructions. Distribute to appropriate people.	Distribution ongoing thru social service agencies and Citizen Corps Council Groups
VP #6. Conduct ongoing training for the Vulnerable Populations Committee in incident management	Beth & Carol	Ongoing 10/14/10	Ongoing refreshers occur at regional meetings and through participation in County disaster exercises. ICS100 and 700 will be offered in collaboration with the Jackson County Medical Reserve Corps	
VP #7 Educate social service agencies about wildfire risk through fire group's Outreach and Education Committee.	Carol & Tonya	Ongoing	Working to develop a training to educate employees from social service agencies about wildfire risk and defensible space at their client's homes. Will have a presentation at one of our regional meetings in 2010/2011.	Done
VP #8 Continue emergency preparedness workbook development and training to target groups	Cathy Don B.	10/2010 5/2011 12/2010	Determine need for childcare training. If needed, conduct training(s). Check with Home Care Commission about interest from home care agencies.	Completed 2 more childcare provider preparedness trainings (one in each county)
VP #9 Continue work on the resource database	Carol & Connie	3/2011	Continue to compile resources available from social service and community organizations into a master list	In progress
VP #10 Distribute revised call-taker checklist and instructions to agencies serving vulnerable populations	Greg, Tonya & Mike	12/2010	Call-takers checklist being revised based on tabletop exercise 2/10. Will develop instructions and algorithm and distribute to relevant agencies	Postponed until 2011
VP #11 Explore the possibility of adapting or creating a system for tracking evacuees to shelters or other housing so that families can get in touch with them	Heather, Beth, Tonya, TransLink	03/2011	There is no comprehensive way to track evacuees who do not go to Red Cross shelters. The group working with the OHSU nursing students will ask them to examine potential tracking options to see if this gap can be filled.	In Progress
VP #12 Explore issues around spontaneous volunteers	Carol and Connie	12/2010	Coordinate 'Managing Spontaneous Volunteers' workshop in collaboration with Jackson County CCC	Completed 3/2011

