

Home Page Timber Sale Targets Siskiyou Crest Old-Growth

Huge Trees

Scheduled For Logging

Hot of the heels of illegally logging the Babyfoot Botanical Area in the Biscuit burn, the timber planners in Illinois Valley Ranger District of the Siskiyou National Forest have turned their sights on centuries-old green ancient forests on the Siskiyou Crest.

A Recreation Paradise

The Home Page timber sale calls for logging old-growth along scenic highway 48, that runs from Takilma/Cave Junction to Happy Camp. The “Siskiyou Highway” is famed for its beauty and biological diversity. Ten old-growth logging units are located near the summit of Page Mountain and French Peak in the headwaters of Althouse Creek, the East Fork of the Illinois River and Sucker Creek.



Unit 5, Homepage timber sale

Cave Junction



Oregon/California border

Home Page timber sale area

Illegal Timber Sale Resurrected

Long time residents may remember the long hot summer of 1996 in which the Forest Service exploited the “logging without laws” salvage rider in order to illegally log massive old-growth trees at the Sugarloaf timber sale and harm the delicate salmon runs of Sucker Creek through the China Left old-growth timber sale. Both of those sales were met by large-scale peaceful local civil disobedience.

The Home Page timber sale is a throwback to the dark days of 1996. The “Environmental Assessment” for this old-growth logging was written in 1996, and twice found to be illegal by federal courts; once because of likely harm to watershed values, and once because the Forest Service refused to do required wildlife surveys prior to logging. Now, in 2005, the Bush administration has eliminated the forest protection regulations that had kept this old-growth forests from being logged.

Please Write a Letter

District Ranger Pam Bode contends that years of planning would be “wasted” if the Forest Service decided to leave these ancient forests intact. Please take a moment to write a letter to both District Ranger Pam Bode, and Forest Supervisor Scott Conroy, letting them know that our communities need clean water and intact ancient forests, not more clearcuts. The Forest Service should be focusing on thinning the thousands of acres of previously logged stands in Southwest Oregon, rather than logging trees that have stood for centuries along a major recreation corridor. Senator Ron Wyden also needs to hear that you value these ancient forests and the salmon and owls that depend on them.

Time Is Short

The Forest Service is rushing to auction Home Page before the end of the fiscal year. Currently a timber sale auction is planned for September 15th. Please write a letter and make a phone call today.

Pam Bode

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Unit 4, Homepage timber sale



Unit 6, Homepage timber sale

**This is one of the most
biologically diverse
temperate forests
in the world,
and it deserves better!
Please speak up today
and be a voice for those
that have none!**

**For more information, contact the Klamath-Siskiyou Wildlands Center
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