

Clark County Environmental Services

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Background

Sustainable Forestry Program started with Camp Bonneville in 2012

- 1,833 acres of forest land dual certified to date with Sustainable Forestry Initiative & Forest Stewardship Council
- Thinning operations completed or underway on 306 acres, targeting between 10 & 40% of merchantable trees
- Net operating revenue to date approximately \$1.5 million
- Created an average of 5 family wage jobs in Clark County in 2013 employees ranged from 1 to 30 during the year







Objectives of Sustainable Forestry Program

Short Term Objectives:

- Enhance forest health and timber productivity
- Improve wildlife habitat
- Restore riparian forest cover through tree planting
- Control noxious weed species
- Monitor forest resources and wildlife habitat
- Provide revenue to fund long term forest management on County lands
- Lead by example: demonstrate structure-based forest management principles

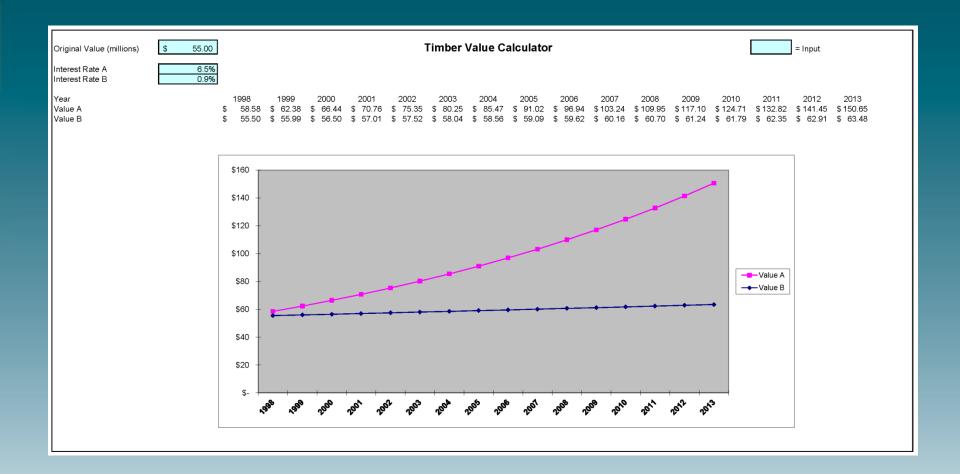
Long Term Objectives

- Restore historic species composition throughout forest
- Produce periodic income through commercial thinning
- Use forest resources as a model for structure based forest management
- Sustain populations of native plants, animals and fungi throughout forest
- Monitor forest ecosystem dynamics





Economics of Sustainable Forestry Program





Certification Process

Sustainable Forestry Initiative (SFI) / Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) Dual Certification – Basic Plan for New Properties

Application materials (Winter/Spring) Inventory & Data Collection (Spring/Summer) Plan Preparation/Peer Review (Summer) Dual Certifications received (Late Summer/Fall) Thinning Operations begin (Late Fall/Winter)

Benefits

Clark County is first municipality in Washington State to receive Dual Forest Certifications

Creates a template for other landowners to follow

Allows access to niche forest products markets







2014-2016 Potential Locations

Green Mountain – Start working on dual certification Spring 2014

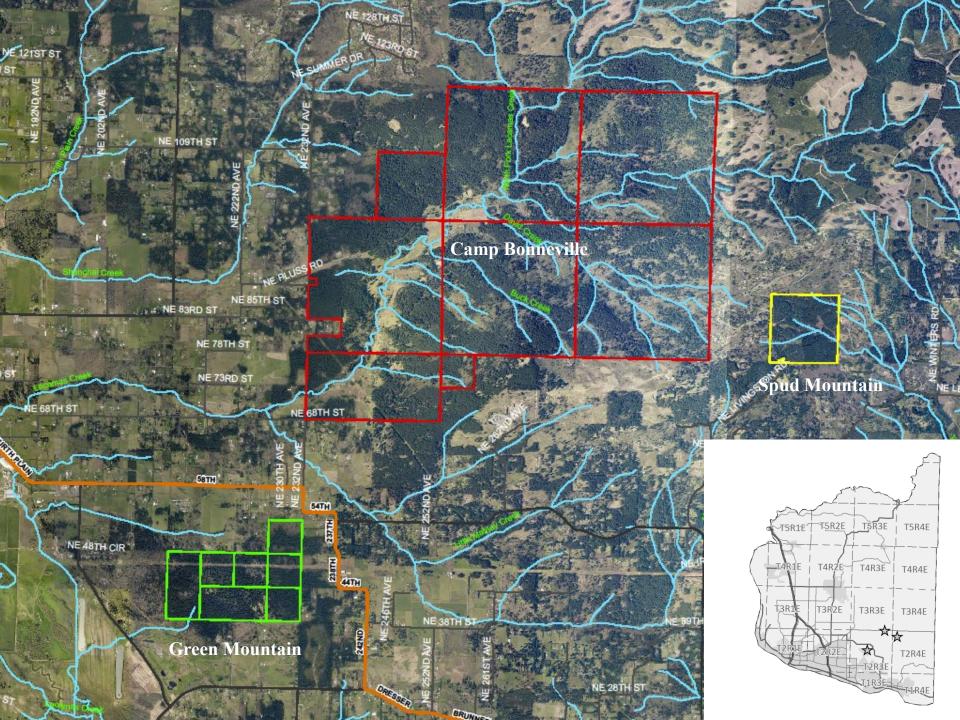
Spud Mountain – Largely depends on DNR Trust Land Transfer

Camp Bonneville – Continue with implementation of stewardship plan

Camp Hope – Hazard tree removal in spring/summer 2014; potential for additional thinning operations in 2015 or 2016







Next Steps

- Prepare Green Mountain Forest Stewardship Plan & Obtain Certification
- Public Hearing Late Summer/Fall 2014 to get BOCC approval for surplusing timber & hiring logging contractor
- 2015-2016 Budget Development to allocate expenses/revenues accordingly



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