

**Blue Mountains Forest Partners
Full Group Meeting
Thursday, September 18, 2008**

Our Mission: Enhance forest ecosystem health, economic opportunities and public safety in Grant County through collaboration.

Present: Mike Billman, Alden Boetsch, Glenn Johnson, Dave Hannibal, Elaine Kohrman, Jeff Fields, Dan Bishop, King Williams, Shaun Williams, Brooks Smith, Mat Carter, Curt Qual, Diane Browning, Emily Platt.

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I. Previous Meeting Minutes

Minutes from August meeting unanimously approved.

II. Operations Group Update

- Bob Crisler, the new BMFP coordinator, will start the middle or end of October

III. Damon Subcommittee Update

Below is a summary of the recommendations the subcommittee brought to the full group. The Full Group approved the recommendations and agreed to send them to the Forest Service.

- 1) Manage for historic structure across the landscape - LOS and legacy structure are part of this. The goal is to get more LOS faster. We recommend the FS consider long-term management objectives such as frequency of entry in the project design.
- 2) Protect clumps of medium trees - look at how they worded it for Canyon (goal is to get at protection of next cohort of OG trees).
- 3) Reconsider basal area recommendation for dry pine sites (currently target is basal area of 100).

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