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TAPASH ANNUAL FIELD TRIP

MONDAY JUNE 12, 2017, 8:30AM-4:00PM

STOP #1: *Greg Mackey,WDFW & Matt Dahlgreen*. Oak Creek Forest Restoration (Unit 3-1 approximately 7 mi. west on USFS 1400 Oak Creek Rd). Discuss Oak Creek Forest Restoration objectives, layout, and implementation. The stand we looked at implemented an Individuals-Clumps-Opening (ICO) prescription, an approach to restoring the forest spatial pattern developed by Churchill *et al*. (https://tnc.box.com/s/judhepimhz98yiylxcfkdonf1nqyiis1).

Oak Creek Unit 3-1; photos courtesy Aja Woodrow, USFS

Discussion with Tapash stakeholders 6/12/17.

Elderberry sale; photo from 2015 photo courtesy Ross Huffman, WADFW

STOP# 2: *Dave Lucas, USFS*. USFS Elderberry Timber Sale (approximately 6 mi. west on USFS 1400 Oak Creek Rd). Brief comparison of Elderberry TS vs Oak Creek Project –This was an older project using a more traditional basal area marking resulting in evenly spaced trees.

STOP #3: *John Marvin, Yakama Nation Fisheries*. Oak Creek Stream Restoration/Wood Replenishment site (3.2 miles west of Hwy 12 on Oak Creek Road #1400). Discussion of the stream restoration work thus far completed by Yakama Nation Fisheries with logs harvested on WDFW upland restoration sites and placed with WCC labor.

Wood replenishment site Rd 1400. Photo A. Woodrow USFS

STOP #4. *Steve Andringa, Yakama Nation and Dave Lucas, USFS*. Dry Stewardship: 1631 Road and 1601 Road. Tribal Forest Protection Act overview: Silvicultural Objectives, Skyline unit and ground based logging. The tribe processed the logs harvested from this sale at their sawmilling facility, Yakama Forest Products, thus supporting the local economy. One of the objectives was to create habitat for the white-headed woodpecker and the flammulated owl. The tiny flammulated owls need open stands for foraging, whereas the denser stands on northern exposures were not thinned because the owls need that kind of habitat for nesting. The skid trails shown in the photo will be de-compacted and seeded.

Unit 20 off 1601 Road. Photo A. Woodrow USFS