1. What experiences have you had, negative or positive, with target shooting on DNR-managed lands?

**Negative**
- Too many users at Medford Pit because there aren’t enough spots to go
- Horse trail behind pit is too close for safety
- Not enough signs to inform horse and pit users
- Too much litter/garbage – DNR should pay for it to be hauled away
- Need more areas
- No lanes or control – lack of organization,
- Noise
- Too much rock in the Medford Pit backstop
- Discover Pass is prohibitive
- Reckless shooting – lawlessness
- Territorial feelings between recreation groups
- Unawareness of non-shooters entering the pit
- Not enough advance information about pit and forest closures 2x
- Feeling like there is no source of information

**Positive**
- A local group helps clean up and organize the pit
- Family recreation shooting
- Convenience
- Mostly contained
- Enjoy opportunity to exercise their 2nd Amendment rights
- The variety of shooting allowed is good
- Opportunity to practice with guns increases safety

2. How do you think target shooting should be managed in this state forest?

- More areas to shoot (away from trailheads)
- DNR doesn’t have the authority to manage authority on its lands
- Have DNR and other agencies designate areas
- Land ownership better identified
- Allow for spread out use
- Collaboration with clubs and groups
- Close the gate to the pit at night
- Add more enforcement
- Establish areas with reliable access
- Move/close existing trail above pit
Still have dispersed in some areas
Use cameras for enforcement
Limit signs for less visual clutter
Include shooters in advisory groups and encourage self-management
More signs – including horse trails
“Recommended” shooting areas
Better kiosk information
Not like Reiter Pit
Access to gate with keys – a check-out system

Feedback noted that the growing number of users needs more areas to recreate to avoid conflicts.

3. **How does target shooting should be managed in this state forest complement or compete with other nearby recreation opportunities or businesses?**

   Horse riding is in conflict with the shooting
   Expand horse camping opportunities because it’s the only regional opportunity
   Shooting does not compete with other shooting areas because DNR offers fewer restrictions and is less expensive
   Old Skagit, Plantation Rifle Range, Skagit Shooting Range
   ORVs and shooting would not be compatible
   Tactical shooting (move and shoot) is only available on DNR-land
   Some guns can’t be used at other shooting range areas
   Supports local economy/gun stores
   Recycled shells provide revenue for people willing to go out and recycle
   Increases fire danger when high
   Noise is a detriment to Cowboy Camp and nearby home residents
   Provides opportunity to complement other family education
   Organize pit cleanups and provide more info
   Ask users to help police their own areas

4. **Do you have a specific location where you enjoy target shooting?**

   Old pits
   Medford Pit
   Diablo, Cumberland Mountain, South Fork of the Cascade all safer than Medford Pit
   North Fork, Darrington, Phinney
   Survey the rest of the forest – not just pits
   Van Dyke area is not good for shooting
   Remove gates
   Add more areas

5. **What type of shooting are you hoping to do?**
All
Safe
Long-range – 1000 yards
Tactical shooting  Shoot-n-Move
Skeet
Targets other than paper steel
Rapid-fire
Competition shooting
Archery
Designated lanes with beginner areas - 25 yards
Rifle area – 100 yards

6. **What sort of amenities should a shooting area have?**

   Dumpsters
   Trash cans - not dumpsters
   Volunteer clean-ups
   Use juvenile offenders/inmates for cleanups
   Use funding allocated fairly in balance with other recreation interests to provide amenities
   Increase enforcement
   Toilets
   Located other than in a “pit” or “bowl”
   Firing lines and 10 designated shooting stations
   Method to cease shooting
   Facilities for shells
   Covered tables
   Use Discover Pass funding to provide amenities
   Parking
   Signs
   Kiosk information board as you access the pit
   Cover shooting area
   Benches
   Clearly marked boundaries
   No trails
   Berms-see Custer Sporting Club for example
   Target stands
   Access resources provided by NRA
   Create a rustic shooting area-See Okanogan and Tonasket for examples
   Keep it Simple

7. **What other information do we need?**

   Work with the NRA – don’t reinvent the wheel
See Custer Club for a good example
Attend gun show to seek feedback
Users don’t want to go to designated areas
We need to reopen closed areas and remove gates to provide greater access
Look at other landscapes for alternate areas to spread out the use
Deeper pits that should be
Look at options for horse trails
Sandy material
Hay bales
Maps with designated shooting areas and other recreation trails
Approach local high schools for volunteers
DNR liability – make sure DNR is covered

8. How would you like to receive information about the next step of this process?

Website - and keep it up-to-date
Local papers - media
Develop App for notification and wildfires
Facebook
Emails
On-site signs
Fliers at shops like Lymann
Share with other organized groups
Social media
Message boards
Contact Discover Pass holders

Unique comments not covered above that came from written submissions:

Build a hosted campground next to the pit
No changes
There are no problems
Have certain days closed to target shooting