Klickitat Canyon Community Forest

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Proposed Acquisition

Klickitat County
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- Klickitat County
- Purchase of 2405 acres
- Ownership has fragmented over time; community concerned over future development along canyon
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- Community forest designation desired by local citizens
- Funding available from federal Forest Legacy Program
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Community Forest and Forest Legacy Goal

To protect working forest lands that also have conservation values such as habitat and recreation

Objectives

• Prevent working forest lands from converting to other uses

• Manage lands consistent with local community values

• Be financially viable

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Objectives, cont.

• Provide local timber jobs, public access for recreation, fish and wildlife habitat, open space

• Provide educational opportunities for local communities regarding the benefits of working forests

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Merchantable timber: 11,669 MBF
1564 acres

Reproduction timber: 222 acres
From 0-34 years
Site 3 & Site 4 soils

Non-harvest: 619 acres
- Canyon lands
- Non-timbered

Revenue-generating activities consistent with forestry are permitted

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Management Requirements

• Management plan will be created by an advisory committee made up of DNR, community members and local government representatives.

• The planning process will identify the types of uses that are suitable for this property, that reflect the community’s values, and that are compatible with the legal parameters.

• DNR will enter into a long-term agreement with Columbia Land Trust to facilitate development of the plan and to carry out its implementation.

• Revenue will go toward reimbursing management costs and accomplishing the management objectives.
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Appraised Value
$4,000,000
  Land  $625,000
  Timber  $3,375,000

Federal Funds
$3,904,000

Columbia Land Trust Contribution
$96,000

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Klickitat River, photo by J. Armbruster