

**Mineral Lands Task Force
Minutes Meeting #9
January 10, 2013
6:00 – 8:00 P.M.
Sifton Fire Station – 6701 NE 147th Ave**

Attendees: Virgil Barnett, Richard Dyrland, Linda Rectanus, Barb Repman, Bob Short, Richard Fazio & Chuck Rose **Staff:** Mike Mabrey

Absent: Jeff Wriston,

Minutes from the December 6th meeting were approved as written.

The group continued discussion on areas where the overlay on the draft map would potentially be added or expanded. Recommendations were based on the draft criteria for removing the overlay that had been developed previously as a recommended code change:

3. The Surface Mining Overlay may be removed from an area if one of the following conditions is met:
 - a. The aggregate resources have been depleted; or
 - b. There is evidence that mining of the aggregate resource is not economically feasible; or
 - c. Environmental constraints make it impractical to mine the resource; or
 - d. The area has been brought into an urban growth boundary or adjacent land uses or developments are incompatible with mineral extraction.

Using these criteria, there was a consensus on the following recommendations:

East of Amboy – The overlay should be deleted for the lots east of Amboy and west of Courtney Pit due to parcel size and the housing development.

Yacolt Mountain – There was some discussion of deleting the overlay from the southeast portion of this area due to environmental concerns. The consensus was to delete the area southeast of the habitat buffer along the unnamed tributary to the East Fork. Further reductions may be proposed based on more research that establishes a boundary based on the above criteria.

Storedahl – Delete all additional overlay due to environmental constraints and lack of economic feasibility.

Chelatchie Prairie – Keep the overlay on the area east of the old mill site and on the area north of the ranger station. The area west of the ranger station is not economically feasible due to shallow groundwater, marginal size and depth of overburden as indicated by well logs east and west of the site.

Bratton Road – The justification for excluding this area is a combination factors: the creek and associated buffer, the presence of housing on most of the small acreage lots and well logs that show significant overburden north of Bratton Rd. (Zimmerly Pit to the west may be re-developing with housing.)

Livingston Mountain – Remove Highland Meadows due to residential development (incompatible and not economically feasible). Keep Homokula lots in overlay for now (only one house on large acreage). Mining on Camp Bonneville lands is not likely to be economically feasible due to deed restrictions that require unexploded ordinance survey and removal.

There wasn't time to review draft code changes.

Next meeting: February 12, 2013