

**Southern Willamette Forest Collaborative  
Rigdon Collaboration Committee**

Dec 4<sup>th</sup> 1:00 – 3:30 MFRD

Roundtable #3 – Target Landscape Patterns

**Attendees:** BJ K., Jean C, Fergus M, Mike B, Laurie P, Loren H, Chandra L. James J, Tim B, Kris E, Thalia L, Susan O.

Staff: Sarah A-P

**Brainstorming notes** (the following have not been vetted for full committee agreement)

Vegetation – Target Landscape Patterns

- Large areas of open forest
- Closed canopy along creeks and streams
- Large areas of early seral forests
- Large area of late seral closed canopy forest
- Open habitat areas
- Patches of meadows
- Less fragmented landscape with large, coarser blocks
- More open pine and oak stands along the river with density increasing along the productivity gradient
- Outside mixed conifer area, less fragmented and varied landscape
- Incorporate targets that consider landscape patterns in adjacent watersheds

Human Uses – Target Landscape Patterns

- Timber harvests occur in younger, dry mixed conifer forests and managed plantations of Doug fir
  - Moist stands – variable density thinning
  - Dry stands – heavy thinning for herbaceous recovery
- Multi-use trail from Sand Prairie to Paddy's Valley, connecting to Diamond wilderness trails, with well dispersed access points that minimize overuse impacts

Water/ Aquatic – Target Landscape Patterns

- Rivers connected to forest via functional floodplains
- Intact riparian corridors
- Large trees, complex habitat, shade along streams
- Side channels with patches of beaver habitat in stream
- Multiple channels in the main stem Willamette River
- Healthy Chinook and Bull Trout populations

Wildlife – Target Landscape Patterns

- Dispersed patches of optimized deer habitat
- Larger blocks of habitat for late successional species
  - Moist plantations – active management to create sate successional characteristics faster
  - No logging in high quality old growth habitat