



White Salmon Wildfire Risk Mitigation Project

Purpose & Scope

The purpose of this project is to promote forest health, reduce wildfire hazard, and assist in fire suppression activities in the event of a wildland fire. Areas to be treated will be around the edges of town: along the east side of town from the hospital to Gaddis Park, along the northern edge of town from Gaddis Park north of the high school toward Highway 141; along the northwest edge of town east of Highway 141 Alternate; along the southeast edge of town north of Highway 14 from Dock Grade to Poplar Drive; and along Dock Grade. Specific areas identified for treatment will be decided upon through consultation between the individual landowners and the Lead Project Forester.

Project Specifications

The following activities will be generally followed for all identified project areas, 100 feet either side of roads:

1. Dead and down material up to 8 inches in diameter will be chipped or masticated and the material scattered over the work site.
2. The limbs of dead and down trees will be removed and chipped or masticated and the remaining trunk will be left in place unless several trees have created a piled concentration. In this case, the remaining tree trunks will be separated by at least 10 feet from any other logs and left on site.
3. Standing dead trees that pose a hazard to workers and/or are within 1.5 tree lengths of roads shall be felled and treated using the dead and down prescription as required in item 1 and 2 above.
4. Standing dead trees less than 8" DBH shall be felled and treated using the dead and down prescription as required in item 1 and 2 above.
5. The Contractor will not cut any green trees from the premises that are greater than 8-inch diameter at breast height without prior approval from the Landowner.
6. Trees 8 inches and greater in diameter (DBH) will be pruned (live and dead limbs) up to a height of 10 feet. No pruning will be done to a height greater than 50% of total tree height. The cut limbs will be chipped or masticated on site.
7. Trees less than 8 inches DBH will be spaced leaving 10 feet between crowns. Live and dead limbs will be pruned up to a height of 10 feet. No pruning will be done to a height greater than 50% of total tree height. The cut trunks will be chipped or masticated on site or made available to the landowner as firewood as approved by the DNR forester. Trees 10 feet in height or less do not require pruning.
8. All trees < 8 inches DBH will be removed within 5' of the road edge and chipped or masticated as in item 7 above.
9. Brush will be cut and chipped or masticated on site unless islands are pre-designated or agreed to by the contract administrator or their designee.
10. Ground rutting from machinery use shall not exceed 15% on each acre and berms, ruts and other operator caused ground disturbance will be smoothed out to original contours before leaving the immediate work area.
11. Cut stump heights will be made as close to the ground as possible, not to extend more than 6 inches above closest terrain. Flat cuts will be made so that it does not create a sharp stump.

The work will be completed at no charge to the landowner.

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I hereby authorize the Lead Project Forester to enter onto my property for the purpose of conducting said work. I will work with the Lead Project Forester to identify the boundaries of the work and certify that I am the owner of the property on which the work is to be performed. I will maintain the fuels modification for a minimum of 15 years or until I sell this property, whichever is sooner.

Please sign and return to Lead Project Forester: Sharon Frazey Phone: 509-856-5545 Email: Sharon.Frazey@dnr.wa.gov
Washington State Department of Natural Resources - SE Region, 713 Bowers Rd. Ellensburg, WA 98926-9301

Print Name: _____

Landowner Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone: _____ **Email:** _____