Appendix 1 Interview Guide

Respondent Information

- Interview ID
- Date and time
- Latitude/longitude
- Community, County
- Sex
- Have you participated previously in a research survey or interview?
- Years lived in this county
- Years owned this property
- Are you a full-year or seasonal resident?
- Property
 - o Did you inherit or buy your property?
 - Total acres
 - Forested acres
 - Grazing acres
 - Agricultural acres
 - o Own other property in Oregon?

Management Objectives, Plans and Actions

- 1.0 What are your primary land management objectives?
- 2.0 Do you have a forest management (or stewardship) plan?

If yes:

- 2.0.1 How far into the future does it plan?
- 2.0.2 Does it include a forest inventory?
- 2.0.3 Did you prepare it, or get help?
- 2.0.4 If helped, by whom?
- 2.1 Overall would you say you plan forest management actions far in advance (how far)?
- 3.0 Which of the following management actions have you taken in the last 10 years?

Precommercial thinning, commercial thinning, ladder fuel removal, ground fuel removal, prescribed burns, forest pest management, timber sale, planting seedlings, slash pile burning, mastication/chipping, other (ask to describe)

- 3.1 How large of an area did you take these actions on?
- 3.2 Do you do management work yourself or hire a contractor (or both)?
- 3.3 Do you know what your reentry time is?
- 3.4 What are the different forest types on your property?
- 3.5 What actions, if any, do you have planned on your land in the next 5 years?

If yes: 3.5.1 At what scale?

- 3.6 Do you actively manage to prevent or control noxious weeds?
- 4.0 Does the forest products market and economy overall affect your forestry activities? If yes: 4.0.1 How?
- 4.1 Have public land management decisions affected you or your neighbors?

If yes: 4.1.1 How?

- 4.2 How well do you know the folks who own neighboring land?
- 4.3 Do you know if any of your neighbors have done/are doing active forest or grazing management?

Perceptions of environmental change and adaptation actions

- 5.0 What do you think makes a healthy forest?
- 5.1 Have you noticed any parts of your own forest or forest on neighboring land that looks unhealthy? If so, do you know why?
- 5.2 Do you take specific actions to reduce spread of pests and disease?
- 5.3 Are you concerned about any particular tree or shrub species on your land, either because of high mortality or because they're encroaching on certain areas?
- 5.4 Have you had any wildfires on your land or nearby? If yes:
 - 5.4.1 When did the fire(s) occur?
 - 5.4.2 How large were they and how long did they burn?
- 5.5 Do you think your forests are at risk of wildfire? How great do you feel the risk of wildfire is on your property?
- 5.6 Do you take any specific actions to lower the risk of wildfire on your land?
- 5.7 Has the threat of wildfire changed in any way since you first moved here?
- 5.8 Do any of your management decisions involve planning for changes in wildfire threat in the future?
- 5.9 Are you worried about wildfire or insects/disease spreading from neighboring land to your property?
- 6.0 (If grazing): Have you experienced any challenges getting enough good water for the cattle? If yes: 6.0.1 When did you have these difficulties, and what did you do?
- 6.1 (If grazing/agriculture): Have you experienced any problems with drought affecting your forage/crops?

If yes: 6.1.1 When did you have these difficulties, and what did you do?

- 6.2 (If not grazing/no agriculture): Have you had any problems associated with drought since you've lived here?
- 6.3 Are your reservoirs, wells or ponds different levels than in the past?

If yes: 6.3.1 When? What did you do?

6.4 Are you concerned about decreased water availability in the future?

If yes: 6.4.1 Why?

6.5 Are you at all concerned about the effects of your neighbors on your water supply or water quality?

If yes: 6.5.1 Why?

6.6 Have you had any problems with flooding since you lived here?

If yes: 6.5.1 When? What did you do?

6.7 Have you noticed more or less snow over the years, or snow melting at different times since you've lived here?

If yes: 6.7.1 Is this a concern for you?

7.0 Have you noticed any changes in temperature in this region since you've lived here? If yes: 7.1.1 Is this a concern for you?

Beliefs and attitudes regarding climate change

8.0 Do you think that climate change is happening? Why or why not?

8.1 Do you think climate change is affecting temperatures, precipitation, drought, or insects and disease on your property? Overall in eastern Oregon?

If yes: 8.1.1 Do you think this will become a bigger management challenge in the future? Why or why not?

Engagement and Resource Needs

9.0 Have you participated in any activities with OSU Extension Service, stewardship organizations or forest collaboratives in the last 5 years, like workshops or meetings? If yes: 9.0.1 How often do you participate?

9.1 If you had a question about your forest who would you call?

- 9.2 Do you get any regular newsletters from forest management or agriculture groups?
- 9.3 Do you need any additional resources to manage your land differently or better than the way you do now?
- 9.4 Are there any other issues you'd like to talk about?
- 9.5 Do you know anyone else who might be interested in participating in this research?

Demographic Information

- Age
- Current occupation
- Past occupation
- Highest education level attained
- Do you plan to leave this in the next 5 years?
- Do you know if you will eventually sell your land or pass it on to someone?
- In terms of your political views, do you consider yourself a Republican, Democrat, or Independent? If Republican, do you support the Tea Party?

CODEBOOK: Climate Adaptation and Non-industrial Private Forest Owners in Eastern Oregon

Codes corresponding to outcomes:

ACTNS – forest management actions taken in last 10 years

- PCT Pre-commercial thinning
- CT commercial thinning
- TIMSALE timber sale
- GRNDR ground fuel removal
- LADR ladder fuel removal
- PLBURN slash pile burning
- CHPNG chipping slash and spreading/taking away
- INDTR removal of individual dead/diseased/infested trees
- RXBRN prescribed burn
- REFOR reforestation: planting seedlings either to supplement natural regeneration or as restoration following wildfire/logging

EXTNT – extent of active management on property

- WHLPROP whole property
- PROPSECT large section of property
- STAND stand-level active management
- INDTRL individual tree-level management

PLNACTNS – planned future actions

- NOACT no actions
- MAINT maintain outcome of past treatments
- CONT continue past treatment actions elsewhere on property/re-enter same location at a later date

FMP – have a forest management plan

- HQFMP high quality FMP written within last 10 years with forest inventory
- LQFMP low quality FMP, either outdated or partial (missing forest inventory)
- INFMP informal FMP either "in my head" or otherwise not formalized
- NOFMP no forest management plan

PLNHORZN – planning horizon

- 30PLUS plan more than 30 years into the future
- 20TO30 plan twenty to thirty years into the future
- 10TO20 plan ten to twenty years into the future

- 0TO10 plan zero to ten years into the future
- OPP take action spontaneously as opportunity arises

ADPTN

- IMPADPT implemented climate change adaptation action
- SUGG adaptation action suggestion/intention
- INTADPT implemented/suggested adaptation is climate change-motivated (intentional)
- INCADPT implemented/suggested adaptation is not climate change-motivated (incidental)
- CCIMPF may consider adaptation options in the future when climate change impacts appear
- TIMBD concerns about maintaining timber density while also keeping trees healthy
- NOCHG would not change forest management practices regardless of climate change

Codes corresponding to subjective barriers to adaptation:

BELV – belief in anthropogenic climate change

- NOCC there is no climate change occurring
- DKBEL do not know what they believe/cannot say
- BELVDK believe it is happening but do not know why
- NATCY it is a natural cycle
- ANTHR it is anthropogenic climate change
- ANTHNAT it is a combination of natural cycles and anthropogenic climate change

PRCV – perceives/experiences local climate changes

- WRMG perceives warming locally
- DRYG perceives more frequent drought
- LOSNW lower snowpack in recent years

FIRERSK – self-assessed risk of wildfire on own property

- NORSK not at risk of wildfire
- LORSK low risk of wildfire
- MEDRSK medium risk of wildfire
- HIRSK high risk of wildfire

INCRSK

- YINDRGHT yes, wildfire risk is increasing because of drought
- YINSUPFAIL yes, wildfire risk is increasing because of fire suppression failure
- YINC yes, wildfire risk is increasing but I am not sure why

• NOINC – no, wildfire risk is not increasing

CCIMP – ways in which climate change will impact forests in eastern Oregon

- INFDEF information deficit/uncertainty; climate change is happening but cannot predict what local impacts will be
- DRTSTRSS will cause drought stress
- INCBUGS anticipate more insect and disease issues
- INCFIRE anticipate more large wildfires in future
- SPP may change which species can live where

Codes corresponding to structural barriers to adaptation:

TIMBMRKT

- NOTIMR timber markets do not impact management
- MILLSHT Mill shutdowns have increased hauling costs or otherwise raised costs (e.g., no competition between mills so log prices are lower)
- HAULCSTS haul costs impact management (e.g. high price of diesel, high pay for truckers)
- LOGPRIC log prices too low
- MINVOL forest owners has too little volume to sell to a mill
- NOMRKSMD no market for small diameter timber

RSRCNEEDS - resource needs

- MONEY need money for adaptive management (e.g. grants, cost-shares etc.)
- TIME need more time to do management
- EQUIPMENT need new/different equipment (e.g. to rent, hire or grants for buying)
- LABOR need assistance performing actions
- EDUCATION need more/different education on management strategies
- BETTERMRKTS need better log markets to provide economic incentives for management
- TOPO topography is too challenging to treat

NETWRK – organizations/networks individual engages with to gain resources

- OSUEXT OSU Extension
- ODF Oregon Department of Forestry
- PERSEXP Personal experience (self or close family/friend)
- NRCS Natural Resource Conservation Service
- OSWA Oregon Soil and Water Association