

**U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
FOREST SERVICE
AMENDMENT
FOR**

SPECIAL-USE AUTHORIZATION

Amendment#: 15

This amendment is attached to and made a part of the special use authorization for Oak57 issued to THE SISKIYOU TELEPHONE COMPANY on 10/24/2008 which is hereby amended as follows:

The Forest authorizes Siskiyou Telephone to install a fiber-optic line within the existing Right-of-Way of Highway 96 from milepost 38.4 to the district boundary at Dillon Creek (milepost 16.2). The project will predominantly use jack and bore construction to avoid or reduce disturbance near water or other sensitive resources. There are small creeks that will require coordination with Fish and Wildlife Service for proper permits. At these locations, Siskiyou Telephone will use jack and bore under the waterways to avoid disturbance and potential contributions of sediment to the streams. Clear Creek and Dillon Creek will be crossed by hanging a single 4 inch conduit under the bridge deck of the Caltrans Bridges. This project consists of 21.9 miles of road with approximately 10,020 feet of trenching and 87,784 feet of boring.

This project is located in the following legal descriptions

Township	Range	Sections	Meridian
16N	7E	21, 22, 27, 28, 32, 33	Humboldt
15N	7E	5, 6, 7, 17, 18, 20, 29, 30	Humboldt
15N	6E	36, 1, 06, 11, 12	Humboldt
14N	6E	11, 14, 15, 21, 22, 28	Humboldt

This Amendment is accepted subject to the conditions set forth herein

 Siskiyou Telephone Company	 Patricia A. Grantham Forest Supervisor, Klamath National Forest
Date <u>6/14/18</u>	Date <u>6.7.18</u>

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Operation and Maintenance Plan

IMPORTANT NOTICE

To allow sufficient time for processing of requests, the permit holder is required to notify the district SUP administrator a minimum of 9 months prior to any ground disturbing activities or standing tree removal.

The permit holder is required to obtain District Ranger written approval prior to any ground disturbing activities or standing tree removal. This includes maintenance of existing equipment and or facilities. The whole project area has numerous limited operating periods and are as follows:

Species	Limited Operating Period	Additional Information
Northern spotted Owl	2/1-7/9	0.25 miles from NSO Activity Centers and unsurveyed suitable habitat in Action Area
Bald Eagle	2/1-7/31	Noise disturbance protection at nesting locations
Peregrine Falcon	2/1-7/31	Noise disturbance protection at nesting locations
Osprey	3/15-8/15	Noise disturbance protection at nesting locations

The wildlife limited operating period map is attached to this operation and maintenance plan showing the different limited operating periods and dates for these periods.

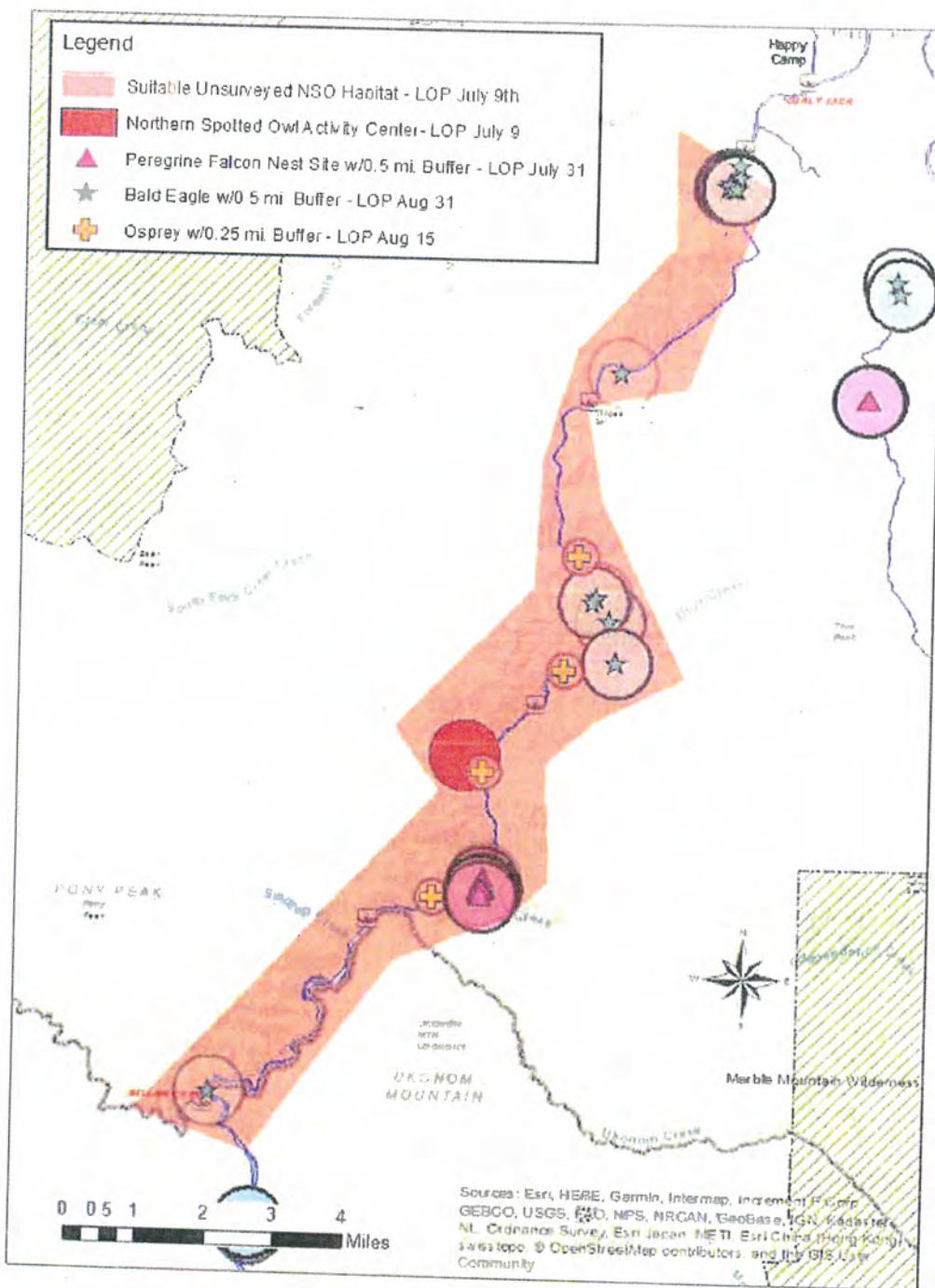
All replacement of existing equipment will be made with the same equipment authorized in the terms of the permit.

If the documentation required to meet Forest Service environmental compliance requires over eight hours of personnel time, the permit holder may be charged cost recovery. In these cases, the Forest Service will estimate cost recovery fees on a case by case basis and provide it to the permit holder. The permit holder is required to pay the cost recovery bill prior to the Forest Service beginning any environmental review.

Failure to meet the requirements of this operation and maintenance plan will result in the permit holder being in non-compliance with the terms and conditions of the permit.

Wildlife Limited Operating Period Map

Siskiyou Telephone Fiberoptics - Benjamin Creek to Dillon Creek



Permit Holder Contact Information (PRINT):

Physical Address of residence or business:

Mailing Address:

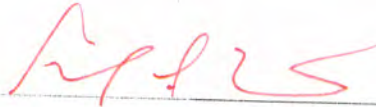
Home phone:

Cell phone:

Email address:

Signing below acknowledges the acceptance of the requirements of this operation and maintenance plan.

Permit Holder:

CARL EASTWICK  6/14/18
Name (PRINT AND SIGN) (Accepted) Date

Patricia A. Grantham
Forest Supervisor:

Alonzo Jackson  6/14/18
Name (print and sign) Date