Unit 45 Goshawk Buffer

1. Flag the 30-acre buffer to identify what area in the unit will be handpiled.
2. Maintain a minimum of 50% crown closure in the overstory where it exists (e.g.)
3. In the open area on the north side of the goshawk buffer, the crown closure is estimated at 10 to 20% with ponderosa pine that are infested with dwarf mistletoe. Cut all infested trees with a Hawksworth Rating of 3 or greater that are < 8 “DBH.
4. Cut all understory trees 1”- 8” DBH to remove the majority of the ladder fuels (DELETE).
5. Cut all Douglas-fir < 4” DBH and all conifers (except limber pine) up to 8” DBH that are within or extend out 10’ from the crowns of ponderosa pine > 8” DBH.
6. Black out trees that are identified to be cut that are in the overstory and don’t maintain at least 50% crown closure.
7. Pile all limbs, tops, and both existing and activity fuels < 6” DBH.