**EXISTING OLD GROWTH: LODGEPOLE PINE/ SPRUCE-FIR**

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Forest Plan Standards and Guidelines – Chapter 3. pgs. 359-362

**FP ST #1 (MA3.5) / #8 (MA3.55):**

Exclude vegetation treatment of inventoried spruce-fir or lodgepole pine old growth.

**FP GL #7 (MA3.5) / #9 (MA3.55):**

Allow, though vegetation protection, or encourage, through vegetation treatments, the development of future lodgepole pine and spruce-fir old growth conditions.

Is it Existing Old Growth?

See Definition - FEIS Appendix B page 11

Is it Management Area 3.5 or 3.55?

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**FP GL #116 Chapter 1 p. 32:**

Maintain or develop a network of existing and future old growth that provides adequate habitat which is well dispersed, effective and accessible to associated wildlife species.

YES

YES

NO

NO

* Treatment allowed
* See FP GL#116

Treatment allowed

Forest Plan Goals and Objectives

* **MA 3.5, Chapter 3 p.358**
  + Retain all existing lodgepole pine and spruce-fir old growth, except for natural losses that are not human caused, and provide for like amounts in the future. Provide for rapid development of future lodgepole pine and spruce-fir old growth conditions…”
* **Refer to FP Tables 1.1, and 1.4, Chapter 1 - pgs. 5 and 6**

GIS Coverage

* Existing OG - *FS SDE Connections\g\_r02\_arp\_read\s\_r02\_arp\S\_R02\_ARP.R2vegOutputsARP\S\_R02\_ARP.old\_growthspp*
* Will Be OG - *FS SDE Connections\g\_r02\_arp\_read\s\_r02\_arp\S\_R02\_ARP.VegetationRIS\S\_R02\_ARP.RIS\_Old\_Growth*

**OLD GROWTH RETENTION AREAS: LODGEPOLE PINE/SPRUCE-FIR**

Forest Plan Standards and Guidelines

**FP ST #57 Chapter 1 p. 19:**

Limited timber cutting on unsuitable or tentatively suitable and not available lands, many occur for such purposes as salvage, protection or enhancement of biodiversity or wildlife habitat, or to perform research or administrative studies or scenic-resource management consistent with management area direction. Regulated timber-harvest activities will occur on only those lands classified as suitable and available for timber production as shown on the timber suitability map enclosed with this document.

Is it Tentatively Suitable – Unavailable – Old Growth Retention (SNO) or Tentatively Suitable – Unavailable- Other Resource Considerations (SNR)?

YES

NO

Treatment Allowed

Forest Plan Goals and Objectives

* **FP Appendix E p.1 – Tentatively Suitable – Unavailable - Resource Concerns**
  + Lands which possess the physical characteristics suited for timber harvest but resource concerns (old growth, winter range, intermix, visual quality, etc.) preclude timber harvest.
* **Refer to FP Tables 1.1, and 1.4, Chapter 1 - pgs. 5 and 6**

GIS Coverage

* SNO / SNR *- FS SDE Connections\g\_r02\_arp\_read\s\_r02\_arp\S\_R02\_ARP.ForestPlanData\S\_R02\_ARP.AR\_TimberSuit2*

**OLD GROWTH DEVELOPMENT AREA: LODGEPOLE PINE/SPRUCE-FIR**

Forest Plan Standards and Guidelines

**FP GLs #119 and 120 Chapter 1 p. 32:**

#119 (GL) - Retain some connectivity of existing forested corridors within identified map areas, and between old-growth sites that are not planned for harvest, or manage for future forested corridors where connectivity is potential be absent.

#120 (GL) – Maintain or increase habitat effectiveness within identified old growth areas and all old growth sites that are not planned for harvest.

Is it an Old Growth Development Area?

Identified as “H” (High) Elevation Development Area in GIS

YES

NO

Forest Plan Goals and Objectives

* **Refer to FP Table 1.4, Chapter 1 – pg. 6**

GIS Coverage

* OG “H” - *FS SDE Connections\g\_r02\_arp\_read\s\_r02\_arp\S\_R02\_ARP.ForestPlanData\S\_R02\_ARP.AR\_OldGrowthDevelopment*

Treatment Allowed