

New Upper Cow Creek Road Project Appears Good County Investment

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Why is the Douglas County Road Department spending over \$260,000 to improve 5.3 miles of the Upper Cow Creek Road?

Although at first glance this seems like a lot of money for the county to sink into a seemingly little-used road in the southern part of the county, a closer look at the facts shows it to be a wise investment.

In 1951, the county road department completed a survey that projected probable yearly averages of cut timber that would pass over roads over the entire county.

Fluctuation

The survey was completed up to the year 1964. In this 13-year period, averages fluctuated, of course, with the type of timber available in the watersheds served by the roads and considering under whose ownership the timber lands were held.

In the Upper Cow Creek watershed, east from Azalea, the averages have varied from 20 million board feet a year to 50 million. It has now been set at a yearly average on a perpetual cut basis of 40 million board feet a year.

In dollars and cents, this represents anywhere from \$1,200,000 to \$1,450,000, in total new revenues each year, based on the present market values of timber.

Ownership Broken Down

This 40 million board feet of timber that each year passes over the Upper Cow Creek road is fur-

ther broken down into the three types of ownership represented in the county go give still a more graphic picture of what these revenues mean to the taxpayers.

Of the 40 million, about 11 million is owned outright by the U.S. Forest Service. It is managed by the Cow Creek District of the Umpqua National Forest. And of all U.S. Forest timber cut in Douglas county, the government pays the county 25 per cent of the gross revenue received. This means each year the county receives around \$90,000 from U.S. Forest Service timber sales in the Upper Cow Creek drainage.

BLM Control

The Bureau of Land Management controls a considerable amount of timber in this drainage

'Reckless Slur' Charges Hurlled Against Birch Society Leader

WASHINGTON (AP)—Sen. Gale W. McGee, D-Wyo., told the Senate here that Robert Welch, founder of the John Birch Society, had cast "reckless slurs and sneers" against Protestant ministers.

McGee denounced as ridiculous Welch's statement in a Los Angeles speech that "Protestant ministers do not become Communists—but Communists do become Protestant ministers."

"This is another of the kind of reckless slurs and sneers that man and his society are visiting on respected segments," McGee said. "Nothing could be more ridiculous. Nothing could suit the Communist purpose more than these charges."

Sen. Milton R. Young, R-N.D., said he has been receiving many letters condemning him for his criticisms of the Birch Society. He said the letters followed a pattern.

Young said that many members of the society do not seem to believe that Welch wrote a book in which he described former President Dwight D. Eisenhower as a knowing agent of the Communists.

Young got permission to put in the Congressional Record 13 pages of the book in which he said attacks were made on Eisenhower; his brother, Milton Eisenhower, and the late Secretary of State John Foster Dulles.

Sen. Jacob K. Javits, R-N.Y., told Young he hated to see the society get that much publicity. The Senate Internal Security Subcommittee, in a meeting today, discussed whether to investigate the society, but Chairman James O. Eastland, D-Miss., said a further study will be made.

Small Lake Waters Timber



NEAR THE TOP of the ridge that divides the Upper Cow Creek drainage from the Elk, Drew and Callahan Creek drainages, this small winter lake lies formed in a small depression. The lake disappears in the summer to become only a marsh, but still feeding water to timber that surrounds it.



DEVILS' FLAT GUARD STATION, located near the end of the county controlled portion of the Upper Cow Creek Road and the beginning of the portion controlled by the Forest Service, presents a beautiful sight to travelers of the road with its well kept, spacious grounds. The Forest Service keeps several picnic tables available here for the public's use.

Udall Says Timber Sales Show Moratorium Is Not A 'Freeze'

Sales of public lands are proceeding and demonstrate the 18-month moratorium on certain land transactions announced in February is not a "freeze" of public domain.

So says Secretary of Interior Stewart L. Udall. He said the Bureau of Land Management had auctioned off more than 1,300 acres in 377 public sales in four states since he announced the moratorium on most types of nonmineral public land applications. He said the government has received \$362,716 from the sales.

Secretary Udall said the recent public auctions are part of the program to classify lands and make them available for private ownership when such transfers are in the public interest.

Nominal Involvement

The moratorium involves Douglas County only to the extent that backlogs of nonmineral public land applications can be processed before more are made. BLM Director Karl S. Landstrom said his bureau is conducting a comprehensive survey of public domain lands and other resources. He said particular emphasis is being given to lands having recreational value and sites near expanding metropolitan areas. The Bureau's management programs will help the orderly economic development of the West, he said.

Landstrom said the BLM will classify, open and make appropriate lands available for transfer to states, local governments, business firms and individuals. Most land transfers to private ownership will be done on a competitive bid basis, while a few will be handled on an equal-value exchange basis.

Opponents of the moratorium called it a "freeze" of the public lands program.

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Senate Okays Billboard Control Bill To Make State Eligible For U.S. Funds

SALEM (AP)—The Oregon Senate approved Wednesday a bill to restrict billboards on interstate freeways in order to qualify for \$600,000 a year in extra federal road funds.

There were two votes against the measure, which goes to the House.

The bill, which applies to the Pacific Highway and that part of the Columbia River-Old Oregon Trail Highway east of Portland, has the support of the billboard industry.

It would let the Highway Commission adopt regulations to conform with the federal standards. If the bill becomes law, Oregon would become eligible for the \$600,000 annual bonus, which amounts to 1/2 of one per cent of its federal road allotment.

Generally, these standards provide that the only signs along freeways shall be official signs, those containing information of use to the traveling public, and those advertising tourist accommodations for establishments within 12 miles of the sign.

The only negative votes were cast by Sens. R. F. Chapman, D-Coos Bay, and Francis W. Ziegler, R-Corvallis.

The Senate Taxation Committee held a hearing today on the major income tax bill, which has been passed by the House. It would levy a net receipts tax to hit persons with low incomes, reduce regular income tax rates, and eliminate most exemptions. Its net effect would be to reduce income taxes an average of 10 per cent.

Sen. Ben Musa, D-The Dalles, chairman, said the committee "is still giving the bill a cool reception." Senate President Harry Boivin, also opposed to the bill, said it doesn't broaden the tax base as its sponsors claim.

The House sent to the Senate a bill to prohibit removal of sand or gravel from fish spawning areas without approval of the fish and game commissions.

A bill to require water districts to hold public hearings before they raise rates also was passed by the House and sent to the Senate.

Other bills passed by the House and sent to the Senate would let

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