

Clear cuts price of BLM demands

By Gerrit Koepping
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A treacherous road led to a wooded hill that separated two valleys.

To the right was a valley that had recently been clear-cut. What once was a small creek was now dammed with tree limbs and silt that had eroded down the hillside. The hillside had an almost manicured look to it, for the saplings that had been replanted every few feet had either been gnawed down to a few inches by deer or were so small they could have been harvested with a lawnmower.

To the left stood part of a parcel thick with vegetation. It held a small creek, a few yew trees and some massive old growth trees.

Lane County Commissioner Jerry Rust on Friday gave a tour of the area, located southeast of Eugene, to members of the Eugene news media, as a federal agency will begin deciding the fate of the wooded parcel on Wednesday.

"This is a dramatic illustration of what we're giving up, all of these sights are like this, islands of old growth in a sea of clear cuts," Rust said. Parcel 33 and 1, as the area



Photo by Andre Ranieri
Lane County Commissioner Jerry Rust points to old growth forest that may soon be cut down if the BLM's request to exempt the land from the Endangered Species Act is met.

is called, is one of the 44 timber sales that the Bureau of Land management is requesting be exempt from the Endangered Species Act. The purpose of the act is to protect the habitat of endangered species; however, the act contains a clause that allows a federal committee to decide whether protecting a species habitat is too costly, economically or socially.

The so-called "God squad" will begin hearings on Wednesday in Portland. Rust has already come out against the sale of these lots for timber harvesting.

"Our ecosystems are collapsing because we've been incrementally over-harvesting," Rust said.

The BLM insists that the sales insure jobs for timber workers and revenue for county and state government.

Rust maintains that it is economically shortsighted to sell off resources for quick revenue, at the expense of long term economic growth.

"Once we harvest this land, that's it for a hundred years, fisheries value, tourism value, all gone for a hundred years," he said.

Convicted sex offender gets 'strict' probation instead of jail

From staff and wire reports

A schizophrenic sex offender with a history of harassing women in Eugene and at the University has been sentenced to five years' probation, ordered to live with his parents in Eugene and stay away from women.

Paul Gossler, 41, appeared Dec. 18 before Linn County Circuit Judge James Goode, who presided at Gossler's trial in October. Gossler was convicted of first-degree burglary and attempted rape in an incident in July 1986, after he broke into a woman's apartment in Albany and tried to rape her.

Witnesses said Gossler stalked the woman, following her from Eugene to Albany to Portland, for more than two years. The woman, who now lives on the East Coast, left Oregon because of Gossler's actions, prosecutor Reed Dinsmore said.

Gossler was banned from the University campus in 1983 after more than 60 women identified him as a peeping tom. He began following the Albany victim in 1985, when she lived in Eugene.

Robert Guse, an officer with the University's Office of Public Safety, said Gossler has been given a letter of trespass stating



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that he is not allowed on campus.

"If this individual is seen on campus, bothering or not bothering anybody, he is trespassing," Guse said. "We're not trying to harass the guy, but he's proven to us in the past that he is not able to cohabit with others."

If Gossler is seen on campus, Guse said, OPS or the Eugene police should be contacted.

Gossler's trial had been postponed because he was under treatment for schizophrenia.

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Aerobics	MW	3:35pm	352 GerX	\$18
Abdominal Workout	UH	3:35pm	352 GerX	\$18
Aerobics	MW	4:35pm	352 GerX	\$18
Aerobics	UH	4:35pm	220 Ger	\$18
Aerobics	MW	6:35pm	220 Ger	\$18
Aerobics	UH	6:35pm	352 GerX	\$18
Aerobics	MW	7:35pm	220 Ger	\$18
Aerobics	UH	7:35pm	352 GerX	\$18
Bench/Step Aerobics	MW	8:35pm	220 Ger	\$23
Funk Aerobics	UH	8:35 pm	352 GerX	\$15
Women's Weight Workout	UH	6:30pm	36 Est	\$18
Circuit Training**	MW	5:30pm	47 Est	\$18
Power Hour**	UH	5:30pm	47 Est	\$18
Low Impact Aerobics		limited times and spaces - inquire of RM office		\$18
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Water Aerobics	MW	4:00pm	Ger Pool	\$23
Water Aerobics	UH	4:00pm	Ger Pool	\$23
YOGA				
Hatha Yoga	UH	4:30pm	77 Est	\$18
Hatha Yoga	UH	5:30pm	77 Est	\$18
DANCE				
Swing/50's Rock & Roll	U	7:00pm	850 GerX	\$18
Intermediate Ballroom	U	8:00pm	850 GerX	\$18
SPORT				
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