

### Ms. Pitts Kindergarten Letter to Santa

Dear Santa,  
I want a real unicorn. I also want a cat and a cow and have Kung Fu powers and a tablet. Also a pink eagle.  
Love, Killyana T.  
Age: 5

Dear Santa,  
A toy robot with a remote control. RC car. Robot dinosaur. A cool Jackson storm bike. Slime kit. A flash suit. Finger light. Power wheels Jeep. Fifty- five bags of candy. A puppy. Xbox1x with GTAS. RC boat, Lincoln logs.  
Love, Ryder H.  
Age: 5

Dear Santa,  
I want a batman for Christmas. Batman car. Batman airplane. Batman game. Batman cards. Spiderman suit. Batman bike. Batman armor. Bow and arrow. Nerf gun and batman battleship.  
Love, Cyrus A.  
Age: 5

Dear Santa,  
I would like a train, stuff animal, a blue rocket, a monster truck, a cars, a computer, head phones, a TV, a tablet, a bike, a scooter.  
Love, Eugene B.  
Age: 5

Dear Santa,  
I want a lip gloss kit and a nail polish kit. I want a talking nutcracker, a ballerina music box, a paint set, a chalk set and a toy Barbie.  
Love, Ryleigh B. Age: 5

Dear Santa,  
A toy duck, a toy dump truck, a toy gun, a toy iron man and a toy dog.  
Love, Gregory R.  
Age: 5

Dear Santa,  
I would really like a bike. I would also like nail polish. I would also like playdough and high heels. I also want a bow. I also want a toy cat and a toy dog. I would also like a rainbow dress that is sparkly and has a gold crown. And a toy pencil and a rainbow pony. You are the best and thank you for giving gifts an being kind.  
Love, Karrah  
Age: 5

Dear Santa,  
A toy robot. A toy snoopy and a potato man. Slime, a remote control car, a belt and a sword.  
Love, Bryan C.  
Age: 5

Dear Santa,  
I want a Nintendo switch and a bike. And a nerf gun, Adidas, vans shoes, batman shoes, batman games, Adidas jacket, dirt bike, yellow bow and arrow, \$600 walkie talkie.  
Love, Kai R.  
Age: 6

Dear Santa,  
A robot and grocery gang and a toy owl and a PS4, remote control, dino minecraft, lego set and a bow and arrow, a fake sword, a Paw Patrol lego set, a little plastic car, a pet owl, a lego doctor set, a lego set with

sharks and fish and the last one is a toy Rudolph.  
Love, Brayden G.  
Age: 6

Dear Santa,  
HO! I have been good this year. Can I please have an Ipad and a large TV and a LG Tablet.  
Love, Zachary B.  
Age: 5

Dear Santa,  
Can I please have walkie talkies for Christmas and also a nurf gun with sticky bullets and a drone that has a camera and a bow and arrow with sticky arrows, more walkie talkies.  
Love, Tristan D.  
Age: 5

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He added that the 100 acres or so that are closest to Rockydale Road are actually not the most crucial for the endangered species. But there, the BLM has done brush cleanup, in partnership with the Oregon Department of Forestry, in order to make nearby residents at less risk for wildfire. That cleanup will also serve as an entry point to less accessible parts of French Flat, where the agency will now be able to do prescribed, understory burning to benefit the species.

In all, the agency expects to treat, through brush collection or burning, about 400 acres, although the prescribed burning will probably not begin until 2020.

Wender noted that there is also a

cultural element to the project: Logan Cut.

According to local historian Greg Walter, in 1902 the Logan, Simmons and Cameron Gold Mine had diverted water from the East Fork of the Illinois River for ahydraulic mining operation. Their process included hydraulically lifting and moving excess water into a pit. But when the water in the pit began to back up, they needed to get rid of it.

The solution? A deep drainage ditch, several miles in length, which we now know as Logan Cut, designed to divert the excess water into the West Fork of the Illinois River.

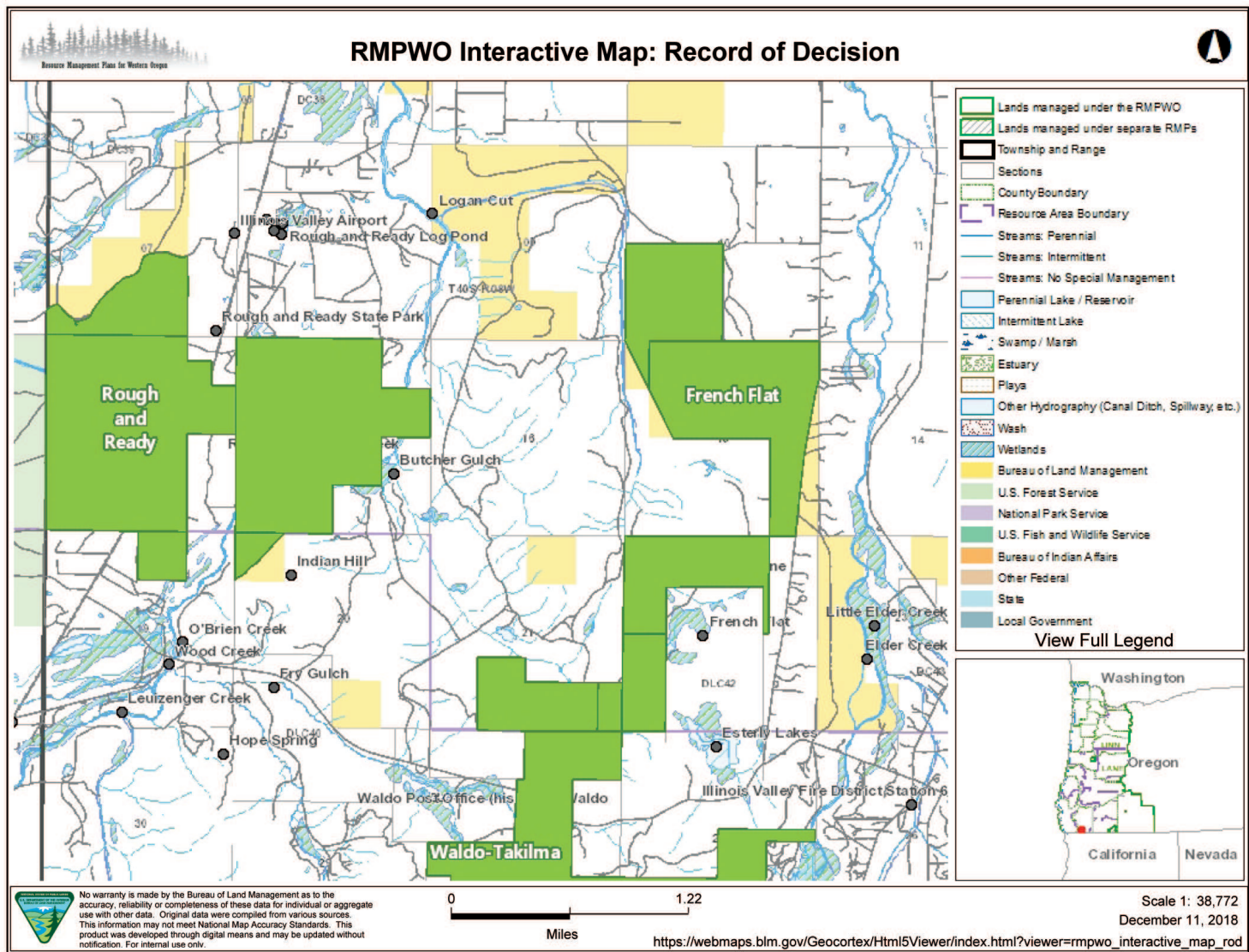
Logan Cut, which still fills up with water in the rainy season, is a significant geographical feature that runs through French Flat. It is listed on the National Register of Historical Places, and is part of a larger nomination, Mining Resources of the Upper Illinois Valley. Unfortunately, people have also

found Logan Cut a convenient place to dump their trash.

French Flat is out of bounds for off-road vehicles, and to that end, the BLM is putting up fencing to prevent that type of access.

Wender emphasized that the four ACES projects, as well as some other projects in the Illinois Valley, have been an "amazing" collaboration of a number of agencies and entities: U.S. Forest Service, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Oregon Department of Forestry, Oregon Department of Agriculture, Nature Conservancy, Illinois Valley Soil and Water District, KS Wild, Illinois Valley Schools and contractors who are helping with clearing and fencing.

"The Illinois Valley really is a botanical wonderland," said Wender, "and to think we have all of these organizations coming together, recognizing that this is part of our natural heritage."



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