

Fremont and Winema Resource Advisory Committee (RAC) Information

What is it?

RACs were created as a result of the Secure Rural Schools Act, which was enacted to provide support for counties that historically depended on income from Federal timber programs. The RAC reviews projects submitted by non-profits, landowners, the Forest Service, and others, and makes recommendations for funding. Projects must be on or show benefit to National Forest lands. The RAC typically meets one or two times a year, but can meet up to four times. Prior to meetings, members review all projects. An optional field trip is hosted for members to visit project sites.

Why does it matter?

A functioning RAC is a minimum of 9 members (3 in each category) and must be in place to recommend projects and approve funding. Money is distributed annually in the spring. Without a functioning RAC, money goes unspent and projects benefiting the landscape and community go unfunded or are under-funded. A full RAC is made up of 15 members.

Who can participate?

Citizens of Oregon, preferably Klamath County and Lake County citizens, who fit into one of the below 15 interest groups are eligible to become members.

How do I apply?

For an application, application instructions, and more information, please scan the code!



Applications for all interested groups are being accepted and are due June 30th, 2022.

Please contact Avery at avery.kool@usda.gov or 541-219-0372 with any questions!

Category A	Category B	Category C
represent organized labor or non-timber forest product harvester groups	nationally recognized environmental organizations	hold state elected office (or a designee)
represent developed outdoor recreation, off highway vehicle users, or commercial recreation activities	regionally or locally recognized environmental organizations	hold county or local elected office
represent energy and mineral development interests or commercial or recreational fishing interests	dispersed recreational activities	represent American Indian tribes within or adjacent to the area for which the committee is organized
represent the commercial timber industry	archaeological and historical interests	area school officials or teachers
hold federal grazing or other land use permits, or represent nonindustrial private forest landowners, within the area for which the committee is organized	nationally or regionally recognized wild horse and burro interest groups, wildlife or hunting organizations, or watershed associations	represent the affected public at large