

MENDOCINO REDWOOD COMPANY RESOURCE MANAGER 2017 ANNUAL REPORT

I. Overview

The Mendocino Redwood Company Resource Manager (MRCRM) was developed in 2003 by Mendocino Redwood Company (MRC) and Mendocino Forest Products (MFP) to further expand the availability of FSC® (FSC-C012230) certified lumber. The program was also designed to provide access to local landowners, for whom individual FSC-certification was cost-prohibitive, to the benefits of FSC-certification. In 2008, the Humboldt Redwood Company (HRC) was formed as an additional sister company to MRC. Since the inception of HRC, the MRCRM program has also provided access to landowners local to the HRC forestlands.

In early 2011, the MRCRM re-initiated our program utilizing a participation agreement to insure all participants were aware of their requirements under the program. In order to be added as participants in the program, applicants must sign the participation agreement, submit a management plan for review, and successfully undergo a field audit by a member of the MRCRM staff.

The program remained stable in 2017; with some interest from outside parties in joining – no new entities completed the process in 2017.

Table 1. MRCRM program participants and acreage

Participant type	Number	Forest Management Units Represented	Acreage represented
Landowner	18	18	83,746
Resource Manager	3	8	9,410
Landowner Representative	0	0	0
TOTAL	21	26	93,156

II. Monitoring visits to various participants

Participant type	Number harvested in 17	Number FMUS harvested in 17	Number visits in 17
Landowner	7	7	3
Resource Manager	2	2	2
Landowner Representative	0	0	0
TOTAL	9	9	5

MRCRM visits were made to several of the harvested sites (some during the FSC annual surveillance audit (3 of 9)).

III. Significant events or discoveries

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All units visited complied with the FSC-US standards. One participant also had a carbon project verified and carbon credits sold, as well as easements recorded on the property. Several participants used grants and other funding to develop shaded fuel breaks on their forestlands. One participant found new rare plants (Piperia candida and Lilium rubescens).

IV. Harvest, yield, environmental impacts can all be located in the harvest plans related to each of these harvest activities.

In 2016, MRCRM made the commitment with its participants to monitor additional outcomes including: erosion control points addressed; acres of WLPZ harvest; rare plant detections; and the number of northern spotted owl (NSO) surveys to protocol. The following information was provided by participants as part of an annual reporting requirement:

- 1) Erosion control points treated: 68
- 2) Acres of WLPZ harvested: 183
- 3) Rare plants detected: On one participants forestlands
- 4) NSO surveys to protocol: 10

V. Changes made to MRC Resource Manager Program related to monitoring outcomes.

MRCRM continues to review and revise our participation and auditing process to meet ongoing requirements of the FSC, our certifying bodies, and requests from group members. MRCRM participant harvest remained approximately the same in 2017 – we expect harvest rates of participant to maintain, though many of the very small-sized ownership participants will only harvest once every 15-25 years, depending on economic conditions.