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FOREST MANAGEMENT										
5003.3	Render decisions on timber sale protests.	X							X	
43 CFR 5041.1	Declare the annual productive capacity of commercial forest land.	X								
5043.2	Approve action on appropriate recommendations concerning sustained (yield) units.	X								
	Establish sustained yield unit.	X								
	Hold hearings in connection with each proposed sustained yield unit.	X								
43 CFR 5045.1	Exchange lands to consolidate or segregate O & C timber lands.	X								
SALES OF FOREST PRODUCTS										
5400.0-3	Sell, dispose, or permit the free-use of forest products (43 CFR 5400.0-3):									
	- Over 25 MMBF.	X								
	- Up to 25 MMBF.	X							X	
	Note: Authorized officer can designate contract administrators authority to sell additional volume on any approved sale up to 50 MBF for each approved sale (contract modifications).									

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	Sell timber on lands under the jurisdiction of the Bureau of Reclamation.	X			X				X	
	Act on matters involving right-of-way acquisition and the approval of road construction projects to provide access to timber (Also see 2100 for acquisition authority).	X			X				X	
	Dispose of timber and other vegetative resources including those on unpatented mining claims located after July 23, 1955.	X							X	
	Make disposals on lands withdrawn for other public functions with the consent of the other public agencies.	X							X	
	Hold public hearings on species and grades to the exempted from export restrictions.	Director and Deputy Director only.								
5400.0-7	Determine species and grades to be exempted from export restrictions.									
5402.0-2	Dispose of timber and other vegetative resources where values do not exceed \$2,499 using Form 5450-5 a and \$999 for mineral materials. *(Other Field Office personnel designated in writing by FM.)	X							X*	RES
5402.0-6	Approve sale of negotiated timber sales of less than 250,000 board feet. Special justification needed to exceed 250,000 board feet.	X							X	
5402.1	Make reports of timber disposals to Congress, Bureau Offices, and others.	X			O					
5410.0-6	Develop an annual timber sale plan, including any subsequent changes, alterations, or amendments.	X							X	
	Approve Timber Sale Plans.	X			O					

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5420.0-6	Establish minimum selling values by species and/or products (MSO 5423, Appendix 2).	X			O					
	Determine a form of measurement of timber or other vegetative resources to be in the public interest.	X								
5422.2(a)	Authorize scale sales.	X							X	
	Determine when to use scaling for administrative reasons.	X							X	
5422.2(b)	Determine when to use third-party scaling.	X			X				X	
5424.0-6	Determine provisions for timber sale contracts.	X							X	
	Sign timber sale contract. (see 5450 for limitations)	X							X	
5430.0-6	Determine when to use longer (or shorter) than normal timber sale advertising periods.	X							X	
5441.1	Confirm qualifications of bidders.	X							X	
5441.1-2	Initiate action on SBA road construction loan applications.	X							X	
5441.1-3	Manage BLM's SBA set-aside preferential timber sale program.	X							X	
5442.1	Select sealed bids, written bids, oral bids, or a combination of bidding methods for advertised sales.	X							X	
5442.1	Conduct a sale and determine the high bidder.	X							X	
5442.3	Reject any or all bids.	X							X	

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5443.1	Determine when to keep a no-bid sale open for 90 days.	X							X	
5450.1	Confirm performance qualifications and award contract.	X							X	
	Award timber sale contract to successful purchaser (also see 5400.0-3):									
	- Up to 25 MMBF.	X							O*	
	- More than 25 MMBF.	O*								
	*Additional sales to existing contract ups to 50 MBF may be redelegated to any employee designated only by the contraction authorized officer.									
5451.1	Determine whether to require a bond for cash sales less than \$2,500.	X							X	
	Approve completed performance bond forms.	X							X	
	Approve forms used for performance bonds.	Director and Deputy Director only.								
5451.3	Authorize a reduction in the amount of a performance bond.	X							X	
5451.4	Approve payment bonds prior to cutting or removal of any timber covered by the bond.	X							X	
	Approve the allocation of a single payment bond to two or more contracts with the same purchaser in the same BLM Field Office.	X							X	
5461.2	Determine the amount of installment payments.	X							X	
5470	Modify contract to sell additional timber up to 10 MMBF.	X							X	

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5473.4, 5461.2	Grant an extension of contract time for cutting or removing of timber.	X							X	
5473.4-1	Require the reappraised contract price be paid in full as a condition of granting an extension.	X							X	
5474.1	Approve a contract assignment.	X							X	
NONSALE DISPOSALS										
5500.0-3	Issue free-use permits on BLM lands. (This is a PD authority.)	X							X	
5511.1	Prescribe provisions for cutting and removing free-use timber.	X							X	
5511.2-3	Cancel a permit for noncompliance or if the permit was issued erroneously.	X							X	
5511.3-2	Approve the form used for free-use permits.	Director and Deputy Director only.								