

NR 25 – Forest & Resource Management

Reedley College – Spring 2010 Lecture 1:00-1:50 T, Room FEM 7

Instructor

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Course Objectives

This course will provide opportunities for research of management plans for public and private resource lands. The process through which land management plans are created will be explored. Emphasis will be placed on management of forests, applying skills, science, and knowledge to solve practical field problems.

Textbook (not required)

Davis, L.S., N.K. Johnson, P.S. Bettinger, and T.E. Howard. 2001. Forest management, 4th Edition. McGraw-Hill Co. Inc., New York, NY.

Classroom Conduct

Please turn cellular phones and pagers off during class time. Sunflower seeds and tobacco products are **NOT** permitted in the classroom or laboratory setting.

Accommodation Statement

"If you have a verified need for an academic accommodation or materials in alternate media (i.e., Braille, large print, electronic text, etc.) per the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) or Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act, please contact me as soon as possible."

Meeting Attendance

Throughout the semester you will be required to attend at least two meetings which deal with natural resources issues. Examples may include; city council meetings, federal public comment period, natural resources competition, forestry competition, SAF, and any other meeting deemed appropriate. At these meetings you will be required to attain verification of attendance and write a two page report summarizing the issue, major points covered, any decisions, the overall outcome, and your opinion. These assignments must be completed by the last day of class (May, 12th).

Participation and Grading Policy

Final grades will be curved based on a percentile of the highest point total in the class. Grades will be assigned based on a straight percentage system according to the following scale:

Course Grade	Cumulative Percent	Breakdown of Grades	Percentage
A	90-100	Reports	10%
В	80-89	Meetings	15%
С	70-79	Participation	15%
D	60-69	Presentations	20%
F	<59	Two Midterm Exams	20%
		Cumulative Final Exam	20%
		TOTAL	100%

LAST DAY TO DROP THE COURSE \underline{Friday} , $\underline{March~12}^{th}$ A LETTER GRADE IS ASSIGNED AFTER THIS DATE.

Tentative Schedule

Week 1/12	Lecture Topic Introduction/Forest Management	
1/19	Management Plans	
1/26	Multiple Use	
2/2	NEPA	
2/9	CEQA	
2/16	Midterm Exam 1	
2/23	People Management	
3/2	Contracting Work	
3/9	Policy & Law	
3/16	Environmental Mitigation	

3/23	Endangered Species/ Midterm II
3/30	Spring Break
4/6	Forest Management
4/13	Forest Management
4/20	Forest Management Planning
4/27	Ecosystem Management
5/4	Holistic Management
5/11	Review
5/18	1:00 – 2:50 pm Final Exam