



# Everything You Wanted to Know About Stewardship End Result Contracting...But Didn't Know What to Ask



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# How we define it...

➤ A way to:

- Accomplish multiple projects
- Package opportunities
- Collaborate with communities
- Focus on the end result



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# Priority project categories are...

- Road & trail maintenance or obliteration to restore water quality
- Prescribed fires
- Vegetation removal
- Watershed restoration & maintenance
- Nonnative invasive species control
- Wildlife & fish habitat
- Soil productivity & other objectives



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# What the intent is...

- ☛ To blend the need to restore & maintain healthy forests with the need to work closely with communities.



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# What the unique features are...

- Trade goods for services
- Use multi-year contracts for up to ten years
- Select a contractor on a “Best Value” basis
- Retain receipts & apply to needed service work
- Transfer receipts to another approved project
- Use less than full and open competition
- Designate trees without marking
- Treat large landscapes



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# Unique Feature

## A blend of goods and services...



**BUY SERVICES**

**BLENDED =  
GOODS &  
SERVICES**

**SELL GOODS**



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Unique feature

An exchange of goods for services...



**EARN CREDITS**

**EXCHANGE GOODS & SERVICES**

**APPLY CREDITS**



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## Unique Feature

# Integrated Resource Contract Templates...

**Stewardship  
Integrated  
Resource –  
Service  
Contract**

**BLENDED–  
MORE  
SERVICE  
VALUE**

**Stewardship  
Integrated  
Resource –  
Timber  
Contract**

**BLENDED–  
MORE  
TIMBER  
VALUE**



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# Unique feature Multi-year and Ten-year Contracts...

**INTEGRATED  
RESOURCE  
SERVICE  
CONTRACT**

**BLENDED-  
MORE  
SERVICES**

- May be awarded for up to 10 years
- May be multi-year (i.e. annual renewal option not required)



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# Unique feature Best Value...

- Required to select a source for performance on a best-value basis -
  - For both contracts and agreements.



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# Unique feature...



You can reinvest the receipts back into the project.



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# Unique feature

- Less than Full and Open Competition...



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# Unique feature...



Designation  
of trees  
without marking.



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# Unique feature...

- Ability to work within the watershed ensures a comprehensive approach to ecosystem



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# What the authority is...

Section 323 Public Law 108-7, 2003

- FS and BLM, thru September 30, 2013
- May enter into stewardship projects
- Via agreement or contract
- With private persons or public or private entities
- To perform services to achieve land management goals that meet local and rural community needs.



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# What the key goals include...

- Road and trail maintenance or obliteration to restore water quality
- Soil productivity, habitat for wildlife and fisheries, or other resource values
- Setting of prescribed fires to improve composition, structure, condition, and health of forest stands or improve wildlife habitat



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# What the key goals include...

- Removing vegetation or other activities to promote healthy forest stands, reduce fire hazards, or achieve other land management objectives
- Watershed restoration and maintenance
- Restoration and maintenance of wildlife and fish habitat



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# What the key goals include...

- Control of noxious and exotic weeds and reestablishing native plant species
- Other appropriate land management goals



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# What stewardship contracting receipts can't be used for...

- ❖ Salaries & overhead
- ❖ Project planning or environmental analysis
- ❖ Construction of administrative or major developed recreation facilities
- ❖ Utilization of forage within an allotment that could be authorized through a grazing permit.



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# What stewardship contracting receipts can't be used for...

- ☞ Protection, operation, or maintenance of improvements resulting from stewardship projects.
- ☞ Inventories, Research, and Preparation & Planning of Administrative Studies
- ☞ Land Acquisition



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# What the planning requirements are...

1. Consistency with Land Management Plan direction.
2. Collaborate on end results desired.
3. Develop a package of projects, per planning & NEPA requirements.



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# Questions...



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For further information...

Contact your local:

➤ Forest Service Ranger District Office

➤ Bureau of Land Management Field Office



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# For further information, visit...

- The **FS Internet** at:
- <http://www.fs.fed.us/forestmanagement/projects/stewardship/index.shtml>
- The **BLM Internet** at:
- [http://www.blm.gov/nhp/spotlight/forest\\_initiative/stewardship\\_contracting/](http://www.blm.gov/nhp/spotlight/forest_initiative/stewardship_contracting/)



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# We are ALL stewards of the land...



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