

# TECHNICAL NOTES

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## **RANGE TECHNICAL NOTE NO. 9**

### **PHOTO PLOTS**

This Technical Note was originally a publication by the Governor's Watershed Enhancement Board (now Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board – OWEB) in 1993. The booklet provides clear and useful information on using photo points for vegetation monitoring.

With the availability of Global Positioning System (GPS) units and digital cameras, photo documentation of effects of conservation treatments is simpler than ever. Clients should be encouraged to begin monitoring photo plots as conservation plans are implemented. Planners can assist in evaluating the results and the resulting information on effects of treatments on local site-specific conditions can be used to increase the effectiveness of practice specifications and evaluate new management schemes.