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Dear Objector:

This letter is in response to the objections filed on the Threemile Restoration and Resilience Environmental Assessment (EA) and Draft Decision Notice released by Custer Gallatin National Forest Supervisor Mary Erickson. I have read your objections and reviewed the project record. My review of your objection was conducted in accordance with the administrative review procedures found at 36 CFR 218, Subparts A and B.

ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW PROCESS

The regulations at 36 CFR 218.8 provide for a pre-decisional administrative review process in which the objector provides sufficient narrative description of the project, specific issues related to the project, and suggested remedies that would resolve the objections. The regulations also allow for parties to meet in order to resolve issues. The record indicates that objectors chose not to participate in a resolution meeting.

RESPONSE TO OBJECTIONS

As specified at 36 CFR 218.11(b), I must provide a written response to your objections; however this response need not be point by point. Based on my review, none of your issues required clarification or action on the part of the Responsible Official. However, the Decision Notice will not be signed until US Fish and Wildlife Service consultation is complete on the project. **The review of objection issues has been posted to the Threemile Restoration and Resilience project website.**

CONCLUSION

My review finds the project is in compliance with all applicable laws and the Custer National Forest Plan (1987), and no further action is warranted. The Forest Supervisor may sign the Decision Notice for this project once the proper US Fish and Wildlife Service consultation has been completed. My review constitutes the final administrative determination of the Department of Agriculture; no further review from any other Forest Service or Department of Agriculture official of my written response to your objection is available [36 CFR 218.11(b)(2)].

Sincerely,


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cc: Mary Erickson, Ronald Hecker, Mark Slacks, Cody Hutchinson, Olga Troxel

