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Fred Mascher, Acting District Ranger
Croatan Ranger District
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Re: Attention: White House Forks Restoration Project

Dear Mr. Mascher:

This firm represents Weyerhaeuser which, as I am sure you are aware, was denied access beginning in 2015 to its property known as Jones 44 Tract in Jones County, North Carolina (tax parcel number 544412884500) due to the new Highway 17 improvements, upgrading from two to four lanes. We are in receipt of your June 26, 2023, correspondence regarding the draft Environmental Assessment for the White House Forks Restoration Project. We want to make the following comments in that regard:

Weyerhaeuser fully expects to be granted a legal, documented, recorded, perpetual right-of-way easement for access to its property. This easement will include all of Toodle Road (FSR 209) and then on to Crooked Run Road (FSR 204) all the way to the Weyerhaeuser property line. This right-of-way easement will replace the existing one that is now cut off due to the Highway 17 widening project. Weyerhaeuser and its lessees will be granted full time use of the access above. It will be allowed to use the road for any and all reasons, including Weyerhaeuser hunting club lessees.

Please confirm your understanding that this easement will be granted, and the time frame for doing so.

Very truly yours,

Richard J. Keshian

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cc: Rosie Boelens/via email
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