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Comments: Black Bob Lower Plaza Objection

Dear Gila National Forest Supervisor and Objection Reviewing Officer

Please see the attached objection to the Black Bob and Lower Plaza Allotments EA.

The Center for Biological Diversity ("the Center") hereby submits these objections to the Gila National Forest's Draft Decision Notice and Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) and Final Environmental Assessment (Final EA) for the Black Bob and Lower Plaza Allotments NEPA analysis.

Project Objected To

Pursuant to 36 C.F.R. § 218.8(d)(4), the Center objects to the following project:

Project: Black Bob and Lower Plaza Allotments EA, Catron County, New Mexico, Gila National Forest

Responsible Official and Forest/Ranger District: John D. Pierson, District Ranger, Gila National Forest, Reserve Ranger District

**Timeliness** 

These objections are timely filed. Notice of the Draft Decision Notice and Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) and Final Environmental Assessment (FEA) was published in the Silver City Daily Press on June 19, 2019.[1]

Lead Objector

As required by 36 C.F.R. § 218.8(d)(3), the Center designate the "Lead Objector" as follows:

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Thank you,

[1] See Legal Notice, Silver City Daily Press and Independent (May 22, 2019), reproduced at https://www.fs.usda.gov/Internet/FSE\_DOCUMENTS/fseprd632595.pdf

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LtDayJ7CRGgxup07RYjzOATouY%3D&amp;reserved=0> (last viewed July 6, 2019). The 45th day after the date of the May 22 notice falls on Saturday, July 6, and so the objection period expires at 11:59 PM Mountain time on the next business day, Monday July 8. See 36 C.F.R. § 218.6(a).