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Comments: The Ashley forest plan revision should have the following standard to protect native bees:

Commercial, non-native honey bee apiaries are not permitted on the Ashley NF.

I attach three files that provide the scientific basis for proposing this standard:

1. A summary of the three types of damage honey bee apiaries cause to native bees
2. Environmental consequences of apiaries on public lands - with links to the scientific evidence
3. The inability of proposed "best management practices" to be either implemented or effective at preventing damage to native bees on the Ashley NF.

Please include the proposed standard in the Ashley NF Plan DEIS.

Thank you,

Mary O'Brien

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