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Comments: Please see the attached letter from the Wyoming Department of Agriculture regarding the High Uintas Wilderness Domestic Sheep Analysis Project.

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Dear Forest Supervisors:

The Wyoming Department of Agriculture (WDA) appreciates the opportunity to serve as a Cooperating Agency for the High Uintas Wilderness Domestic Sheep Analysis project over the past ten years. We have consistently commented on

the project beginning at Scoping in May 2014 to the Draft Record of Decision in August 2025. We support the Supervisors' selection of Alternative 2, which continues domestic sheep grazing on five allotments (Gilbert Peak, Hessie

Lake-Henry's Fork, Red Castle, East Fork-Blacks Fork, and Middle Fork-Blacks Fork) in the Uinta-Wasatch-Cache National Forest and five allotments (Painter Basin, Tungsten, Oweep, Ottoson Basin, and Fall Creek) on the Ashley National

Forest.

The WDA is not filing an Objection to the decision, but we are formally requesting Interested Party status to participate in the Objection Resolution Meeting. We will review all Objections once they are received by the US Forest Service.

Please contact Justin Williams, Senior Policy Analyst at 307-777-7067 or by e-mail at [justin.williams@wyo.gov](mailto:justin.williams@wyo.gov) to inform us of the upcoming date for the Objection Resolution Meeting.

Sincerely,

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Director

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