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To: Acting District Ranger Ann Hadlow

From: Glenn Jacobsen

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this project. Glad to see you using a CE.

Preliminary Project Design Features Handout

Page 2 Range RG-1 Is the project area within a range allotment? If not, say so upfront.

Page 3 Recreation Re-2 You drive thru private timber lands, state lands, and previously logged NF. Is there really a need to cut stumps to 12 inches or less along the uphill side of road 388? Remember this costs extra money. Benefits vs costs?

Page 4 Vegetation Mgt VM-2 Maximize the retention of large trees. If your objective is to reduce impacts of insects and disease, you should harvest all large trees that have insects and disease. This is necessary to reduce insects and disease on the existing regeneration.

Project Description Handout

Total Acres Proposed for Vegetation Treatments

-Noncommercial thinning-without overstory removal 1682 ac

-Prescribed burning total acres 2273 ac

You are proposing treating each and every acre listed above, be realistic- each and every acre may not NEED treatment. At least say "up to max acres based on need"- it may be less- a lot less.

Routes for Potential Decommissioning 5.5 miles

The majority of these old logging contain small trees with no erosion problems. The last timber sale in the area was in the 60's.

Page 2 Glad to see regeneration treatments. If stand conditions do not favor shelter woods- don't be afraid to

clear cut and plant.

Maximize retention of old growth and large trees plus legacy trees- This is fine if the trees do not have insects or disease.

Be aware of logging costs as this sale will not generate a lot of money.

What have you spent today which would include:

- Forest Service input to the project area before turning it over to the Good Neighbor project.
- Costs incurred by State personnel and environmental contract?
- Anticipated costs to prepare sale in 2020
- Review of benefits versus costs?

Thank you