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Preliminary EA/FONSI and Draft Specialist Reports Comments-

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the proposed plan and I hope these comments are helpful. It appears you do not have available some documents that I am aware of; for example:

The following is an excerpt from USFS. 1982. Geology, Geomorphology, and Slope Stability Hazards of the Prospect, Texas Chow, Dark Canyon, Cold Fork, and Regan Compartments, Yolla Bolla Ranger District, Shasta-Trinity National Forests.

After reconnaissance field work was completed, it appeared that this project presented an opportunity to study in detail the bedrock properties, landslide features, and slope stability hazards present within the Rattlesnake Creek Terrane which predominantly underlies the

In the past , these features had not been intensively studied due to the geologic complexity of the terrane . However , second only to the South Fork Mountain Schist , this terrane has some of the most widespread% mass wasting problems within the South Fork of the Trinity watershed , contributing large quantities of sediment annually to this already impacted watershed .

This report details the properties of the Rattlesnake Creek Terrane within these specific compartments in addition to coordinating previous work performed within the South Fork Mountain Schist and Galice Formation, which are additional bedrock types found within some of these compartments.

Geology/Riparian Reserves-West Smoky Timber Sale

In West Smoky TS EA, Earth Resources and Fisheries Analysis found one large active slide area on western boundary of section 24. Also a dormant translational-rotational landslide units 14 and 15. Also Streamcourses to be protected are indicated by a series of dots, and one of them converges in the right corner on the border of sections 23 and 26.

Sec 23 has "spring".

#### Botany-West Smoky Timber Sale

Since Project-specific field surveys are currently in progress until the final Botany Report, the two sensitive species found in the West Smoky Timber Sale Botany Report were forwarded to the S-T Botanist.

Report (Sept 4, 1984) states "Several small wet meadow areas exist in the sale area. Although no plant species listed as Sensitive by the Regional Forester exist there, the meadow habitat type itself is sensitive to disturbance and should be protected."

I am concerned with the Up-River portion of South Fork Trinity River (SFTR). I value my partnership with you to preserve and protect this beautiful, remote area for the enjoyment of current and future generations. As you know, the Up-River portion of the SFTR includes old forests and newer plantations, and the cool waters offer refugia for our salmon. These cool waters only exist in these upper reaches of the South Fork Trinity River and are critical for Upper Klamath and Trinity Spring Chinook that have recently been listed by the California Fish and Game commission. They require cool waters to be able to hold there during the summer months before spawning, in contrast to the Fall Chinook that migrate up in the Fall to spawn.

Thank you,