

To : Mr. Brandon Houck
District Ranger
Heppner Ranger District
Heppner, OR 97836

Date: November 6, 2019

Re: West End Farm Bill CE Project (West End)

Dear Mr. Houck:

Thank you for the opportunity to provide input toward this project.

I attended the field trip that took place on October 18th and had a chance to view your proposed project areas and listen to the very good presentation you and your staff made.

I am happy to see that your approach to solving forest management problems is that of active management.

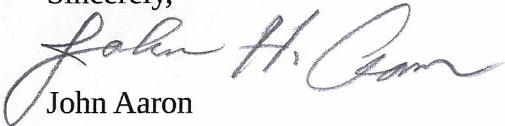
I have also seen the end results of similar projects, made recently, and am strongly supportive.

I regret that you are artificially limited to harvesting only trees under twenty one inches at dbh, regardless of their health and vigor.

In summary, I believe that you and your staff are doing a great job with this project and would like to see more like it in the future.

I also strongly support the opportunity that the CE approach provides.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "John Aaron". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name "John Aaron".

John Aaron