

U.S Forest Service, Tahoe National Forest Attn: Ms. Laurie Perrot, on behalf of the Tahoe National Forest Supervisor 631 Coyote Street Nevada City, CA 95959 February 4, 2020

Subject: Proposed Amendment to the Tahoe National Forest Land and Resource Management Plan

Dear Ms. Perrot,

The Friends of the West Shore appreciates this opportunity to provide comments on the proposed amendment to the Tahoe National Forest Land and Resource Management Plan. The Friends of the West Shore (FOWS) works toward the preservation, protection, and conservation of the West Shore, our watersheds, wildlife, and rural quality of life, for today and future generations. FOWS represents community interests from Tahoma to Tahoe City.

As a member of the stakeholder science committee associated with the Lake Tahoe West Restoration Partnership, FOWS understands the importance of increasing opportunities to use naturally-ignited wildfires to achieve multiple resource benefits. We strongly support efforts to improve forest resilience and public safety and believe this amendment is an important step in improving toward achieving those goals.

Please feel free to contact Jennifer Quashnick at jqtahoe@sbcglobal.net if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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Conservation Consultant