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Hello Mr. Rathbone,

My name is Tyrel Hulet and my family owns the cabins located in the SW1/4 SW1/4 of Section 32, Township 48N, Range 84W that borders USFS lands to the south and west. We received the Scoping Notice for the Pole Creek Vegetation Management Project in the mail. Sending the notice gives us time to review and prepare comment on project areas that are near us. It is greatly appreciated. Thank you!

I assume that the PDF maps that are included with the Scoping Notice were created in CADD or GIS software. Could I request shapefile information for the following proposed features in Sections 5 and 6 of Township 47N, Range 84W? I can also provide a marked up PDF with the areas in question if wish.

- Proposed Regeneration Harvest
- Proposed Partial Harvest/Thinning
- Proposed WUI Fuel Reduction Thinning
- New Closed (level 1) Roads
- Temporary Logging Roads

I know this project is at scoping level, and the boundaries of the proposed areas are, most likely, going change over the development of the project. I would like to review the boundaries with a little bit more precision than the USGS quad maps. There looks to be an extensive amount of work planned for areas in very close proximity to our structures. I am very grateful that the USFS is taking the initiative in reducing fuels in these WUI areas, but am also wondering about the changes in the character of the forest in those areas. Would you also be able to provide me with more description of what each of the proposed thinning/harvesting definitions mean? Specifically I'm looking for a percentage range of how many trees will be removed with each remedy.

Thank you very much for your time. Have a great weekend!

Tyrel Hulet Civil Engineer