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Comments: It has never been made more perfectly clear to the public that the USFS/USDA works as a shill for private corporations than with the private process of using an Alabama land appraiser to "determine" the marketable value of scarce Oregon sub-alpine building lots. In the USA you can't get much further from those properties than Alabama so it is plain that the appraiser's claims to expertise are bogus and that means the valuations of the properties are faulty. You can ask Don Nunamaker what those lots are worth, or zillow, and get an actual estimate. As a tax payer in Oregon and the USA, I can plainly see that I am being ripped off. What do you expect to do to justify making this deal when it winds up in court?

I object to this deal on the grounds that it was done using intentionally bogus data for the benefit of a private company at tax payer expense, and against the wishes of the US Congress. If there is any problem with the land values being wrong, it is because the USFS and Mt Hood Meadows took so long to carry out their mandate to trade. Any evaluation will change after twenty years. But if that evaluation is wrong, making it WRONGER won't fix it. Did MHM spend those years digging up the least qualified appraiser or was it just spent finding the one who could be paid to give the lowest figures in MHM's favor?