It is a great pleasure to invite you to join us at a Service First Leadership Team meeting for the National Park Service (NPS), Bureau of Land Management (BLM) and Forest Service (FS) this October. As executives, we share a common vision for how our agencies work together to deliver seamless customer service in our stewardship of public lands. This meeting is a “first” in bringing the leadership from all three agencies in the Pacific Northwest together to build relationships that foster Service First innovations.

Our meeting theme is “Service First - delivering and developing a collaborative resource program in a business-like manner”. We look forward to exploring this theme with you to bring new meaning to these words and the ways that we approach our work. We truly see this as an opportunity to move beyond traditional definitions and approaches, paving the way for future change.

We worked with an interagency planning team to create an educational and interactive agenda for the day (Attachment 1). We want you first to hear from others – what the future holds for public service and how we’ve been a part of on-the-ground successes throughout the region. We then want you to get to know each other and plan how we move together into the future by responding to challenges in new and different ways. Through this dialog we hope to build a common leadership understanding of the Service First opportunities available to us and empower you to move them forward.

We hope you can join us at an evening social from 5:30-7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, October 15, 2003 to meet your counterparts and begin the dialogue. Both the Wednesday social and Thursday meeting will be held at the following location (Attachment 2):

The Doubletree Hotel Columbia River
1401 N. Hayden Island Drive
Portland, Oregon
503.283.2111 or 360.696.2565
800.643.7611, Fax 503.283.4718

As a member of the Leadership Team, your participation at this meeting is vital. If you have any questions, please contact Stephanie Sprague (503-326-4327 or e-mail ssprague@or.blm.gov) or Patty Burel (503-808-2221 or e-mail at

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pburel@fs.fed.us. We look forward to seeing you there and working more closely together toward a shared future.

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2 Attachments
1 - Draft Agenda (1p)
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Audience: Leadership of Forest Service - Region 6, National Park Service - Pacific West Region, and Bureau of Land Management - Oregon/Washington

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Driving Directions:

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