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Bureau of Land Management
Western Oregon Plan Revisions
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Dear Sir or Madam,

Here is my second set of comments on the Draft Environmental Impact Statement of the Bureau of Land Management's Western Oregon Plan Revisions. I have commented on four areas:

- 1) the proposed creation of 13 OHV Emphasis Areas;
- 2) plans to increase logging in riparian areas;
- 3) the importance of considering climate change (aka global warming), and
- 4) BLM's responsibility to impartially assess the alternatives.

I have pointed out both incomplete / missing information and errors in the BLM analysis / new or missing information that have a bearing on the analysis. I have also raised a few questions for your collective consideration.

There are other areas in the DEIS that concern me, such as negative impacts on the biodiversity of the ecosystem due to fragmentation from logging, the negative impacts of "regeneration harvesting," and the value of peace and quiet of old-growth trees. Unfortunately I have no more time to reflect further on the DEIS.

By way of introduction, I live in the urban-wildlife interface on the edge of the Upper Applegate. My wife and I hike and ride our horses through our land and neighboring lands, including BLM land. We try to be good stewards of our land, and we donated a conservation easement for our property when we lived in New Jersey years ago. We promote the health of our forests through fuel reduction, funded in part by two local grants. I have studied biology (B.S. Biology, University of Illinois, 1972) and chemistry (Ph.D. Medicinal Chemistry, University of Michigan, 1977).

I still believe the DEIS is flawed, and should be evaluated by peers before any action is taken.

Sincerely,



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