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To: USDA Forest Supervisors Within the Area of the Northwest Forest Plan; USDI Bureau of Land Management District Managers (Coos Bay, Eugene, Lakeview, Medford, Roseburg, and Salem) and Field Managers (Klamath Falls and Tillamook)

Subject: Revised Process for Regional Interagency Executive Committee (RIEC) Review of Specific Changes to Northwest Forest Plan (NWFP) Standards and Guidelines and Land Allocations

The Northwest Forest Plan (NWFP) provides for coordination and review by the RIEC (Regional Interagency Executive Committee) of proposed amendments to standards and guidelines and land allocations established under the NWFP and incorporated in Forest Service (FS) or Bureau of Land Management (BLM) plans. The RIEC recently approved a streamlined review process and rescinded previous delegations of authority. The Regional Ecosystem Office memorandum dated August 27, 2007 (attached) documents the current process for RIEC review of proposed plan amendments and outlines FS and BLM line officer responsibilities.

Forest Supervisors, District Managers, and planners responsible for preparing land and resource management plan amendments are asked to review the attached memorandum. Line officers should note that the rationale for their consistency determination should be documented and provided to the RIEC Chair during the review process. The review should be scheduled in time to allow its completion prior to signing a decision.

Please coordinate with your agency contact regarding your intent to request RIEC review of a proposed plan amendment **before** submitting the required information to the RIEC Chair. Agency contacts are: Joyce Casey, Forest Service, 503-808-2286; and Debbie Pietrzak, Bureau of Land Management, 503-808-6006.

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1 Attachment(s)

1 - [REO memorandum dated August 27, 2007](#) (6 pp)

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