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Mr. Ed Shepard
Bureau of Land Management
333 SW 1st Street
Portland, Oregon 97204

Dear Mr. Shepard,

Thank you for the three volumes and maps of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the proposed revisions of the resource management plans for six western Oregon BLM districts.

I have received constituent concerns regarding the very limited 90-day comment period. Additionally, the three volumes (over 1600 pages) will tax Benton County's ability to give the DEIS a thorough review.

I am requesting that the Bureau allow an additional 120 days for the public comment period. I know that my colleagues and our constituents need the extra time and will appreciate an extension.

Sincerely,


Annabelle Jaramillo
Board Chair

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