

[Template letter for Stewardship Contractor]

5420 (MTxxx)

[Stewardship Contractor Name]

[Address]

[City, State, Zip]

Dear [NAME]:

The log export market has revived over the past year. Meanwhile, the community of the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) stewardship contractors continues to develop. We want to remind firms and individuals who submit proposals for the BLM stewardship contracts that Congress restricted the export of Federal timber and the substitution of Federal timber for private timber shipped abroad. Some stewardship contractors may not know or understand the restrictions on export and substitution.

The BLM stewardship contracts include a clause in the statement of work that specifies the prohibition of export and substitution of unprocessed timber and identifies what qualifies as processed timber. Any violation of the log export and substitution restrictions in the BLM contracts could result in contract termination and debarment from purchasing Government timber. In addition, violation of Federal export restrictions could also subject a stewardship contractor to Federal prosecution.

The BLM contracting officer representatives will devote increased vigilance to assure fair enforcement of export regulations. We ask you, as a procurer of a BLM stewardship contract with timber, to honor the export restrictions incorporated in your stewardship contract.

If you have questions about export and substitution restrictions, please contact [NAME AND PHONE NUMBER OF DISTRICT CONTACT].

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

[Name]
Field Manager