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Subject
BLM Programmatic EIS for pesticide
Vegetation Treatments in Western
States

Mr. Brian Amme
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Dear Mr. Amme,

1 I am writing regarding the proposal to use widespread use of pesticides on public lands, including national conservation areas.

The aerial application of pesticides poses certain risks because the application is not targeted; rather, much of the pesticide can drift off-site, creating unanticipated health and ecological problems. 2

In addition to acute or short-term health effects, many of these pesticides are also known to cause reproductive and developmental problems including birth defects; neurological problems; and cancer. 3

4 U.S. biologists, ecologists and wildlife managers have an array of alternative vegetation management tools that would generate fewer adverse consequences.

5 That is why I am asking you to please choose Option 3 (C) in BLM's weed management proposal, wherein alternative control methods, other than synthetic pesticides, would be used to

manage our federal forests.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

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