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To Whom It May Concern:

1 This letter is to comment on the proposed draft "Vegetation Treatments on Bureau of Land Management Lands in 17 Western States Programmatic EIS (PEIS) and Programmatic Environmental Report".

2 Timber harvested from BLM land is extremely important to our company. A ban on the use of herbicides would impair the agency's ability to manage for timber and as such, would be detrimental to our company. Bennett Forest Industries strongly opposes any attempt to ban the use of herbicides and we fully support Preferred Alternative B, "Expand Herbicide Use and Allow for Use of New Herbicides".

3 Invasive weeds have become a major threat to many traditional uses of our public lands including timber production and wildlife management. The continued use of effective herbicides is an important tool that will be needed to control the spread of these weeds. Again, we urge you to support Alternative B.

Sincerely,

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