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**To:** Appeal Deciding Officer

This is my recommendation on disposition of the appeal filed by Jeff Juel on behalf of the WildWest Institute, The Lands Council, and the Selkirk Conservation Alliance protesting the Templeman Hazardous Fuels Reduction Decision Memo (DM) on the Idaho Panhandle National Forests (Bonners Ferry Ranger District).

My review was conducted pursuant to, and in accordance with, 36 CFR 215.19 to ensure the analysis and decision is in compliance with applicable laws, regulations, policy, and orders. The appeal record, including the appellants' objections and recommended changes, has been thoroughly reviewed.

#### RECOMMENDATION

I have reviewed the record and have found that it does not clearly show why the potential effects on soils do not result in an extraordinary circumstance. I recommend the Forest Supervisor's decision be reversed.

/s/ David M. Pieper  
DAVID M. PIEPER  
Appeal Reviewing Officer

