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Scoping Letter – Jones Thin Project

Dear Adjacent Landowner/Interested Party:

The South Fork Management Unit of the Shasta-Trinity National Forest is seeking public input on the Jones Thin Project. This proposed project is designed to improve forest health and decrease potential impacts of wildfires by thinning vegetation on ponderosa pine plantations, treating hazardous woody fuels, and reconstructing existing fuel breaks.

The project area is approximately 6 miles south-southwest of Wildwood, California. The legal location is Township 29 North, Range 11 West, Sections 26, 27, 28, 29, 32, 33, 34 and 35; and Township 28 North, Range 11 West, Sections 2, 3, 4, and 11 (Mount Diablo Meridian). A map of the proposed project area is enclosed. Within the 3,000-acre project area, approximately 500-600 acres are included in this proposal for thinning. In addition, approximately 200 acres of existing fuel breaks (5.5 linear miles) are proposed for reconstruction.

Public input for this project was first requested in December 2007. Minor changes in project design have been made since then, and your input is again requested. These comments, together with those received during the earlier scoping period, will help identify any issues, concerns, and additional opportunities that should be considered at this point in the environmental review process. There will be an additional opportunity to provide input during the Notice for Comment period. At that time the draft Decision Memorandum and project record will be made available on the Forest website at [www.fs.fed.us/r5/shastatrinity/projects](http://www.fs.fed.us/r5/shastatrinity/projects), or in paper form upon request.

Please submit your input by April 20, 2009 to Donna Harmon, District Ranger, South Fork Management Unit, P.O. Box 159, Hayfork, CA 96041. Further information about the proposal may be obtained from Mark Goldsmith (530-628-1252).

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

