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Dear Interested Party:

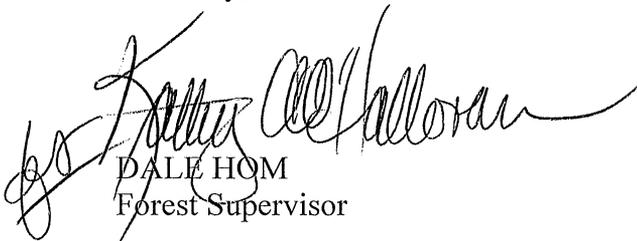
In an April 15, 2009 letter Pacific District Ranger Millett announced completion of an Environmental Assessment (EA) for the West Fork Humptulips Thinning project. The letter briefly described the project and indicated the EA was available for review and comment in accordance with Forest Service regulations at 36 CFR 215.5, and that comments would be accepted for a period of 30 days following the date legal notice of availability of the EA was published in *The Olympian* newspaper.

The 30-day comment period was initiated on April 18, 2009. However since that time the EA has not been as readily available as is customary. Forest Service appeal regulations prohibit extensions to comment periods so in order to provide additional time for commenting on the EA, I am canceling the on-going comment period and will be starting a new 30-day comment period. The legal notice of the new comment period was published in today's edition of *The Olympian* newspaper so comments will be accepted through May 26, 2009.

Comments received during the initial comment period will be given full consideration and establish appeal standing, and do not need to be resubmitted during the new comment period. Please refer to Ranger Millett's April 15, 2009 letter for a description of the comment process and how to comment on the EA.

For further information or to request a copy of the EA, please contact Tim Davis at 1835 Black Lake Blvd. SW, Suite A, Olympia, Washington, 98512; or phone 360-956-2375.

Sincerely,

  
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Forest Supervisor

cc: Timothy E Davis

