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**Subject:** Request for an Additional Insect and Disease Landscape-Scale Area Designation

**To:** Chief

Section 8204 of the Agricultural Act of 2014 (Farm Bill) provided the opportunity for Governors to request areas for designation in their State that are experiencing, or at risk of, an insect or disease epidemic. In addition, the 2014 Farm Bill allows for the Forest Service to pursue additional designations as needed to address insect or disease threats. This letter and its enclosures follow the procedures recently established by Forest Service Chief Thomas Tidwell for requesting and evaluating additional designations.

The Fremont-Winema National Forests have many acres currently covered by the Farm Bill. The process the Forests use to prioritize the accelerated Forest level work emphasizes large areas. When areas were selected for inclusion under Section 8604 of the Farm Bill, some key areas were overlooked. Spring Creek is one of these areas.

We enclose the following with this request for an additional designation under Farm Bill Section 8204:

- Justification for additional designation including alignment with the criteria included in the 2014 Farm Bill;
- Map identifying the requested additional designation under Section 8204; and
- Sixth Level Hydrologic Unit Code (HUC) of the additional area.

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Enclosures (3)

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