

# Peer Review Plan

Topic of Review: Effectiveness of road-related BMPs  **Influential Scientific Information**

Agency: USDA Forest Service, Northern Research Station  **Highly Influential Scientific Assessment**

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Subject of Review: Evaluation of the comprehensiveness, logic, clarity, and supporting rationale surrounding the commentary presented by the author related to BMP effectiveness.

Purpose of Report: This is a synthesis report designed to distinguish between and elucidate the evidence related to road-related BMPs that we know work versus those that may not be as effective and to identify gaps in our understanding of BMP effectiveness. This synthesis could have some influence on NEPA content or NEPA decisions, and possibly influence litigation in the future (serving as a document showing there is or there isn't substantial evidence of effectiveness of particular BMPs). Also, EPA is funding this work, so there is inter-agency interest.

Type of Review:  Panel Review  Individual Reviewers  
 Alternative Process (Briefly Explain): \_\_\_\_\_

Timing of Review (Est.): Start: Oct. 2010 End: Dec. 2010 Completed: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Reviewers:  3 or fewer  4 to 10  More than 10

Primary Disciplines/Types of Expertise Needed for Review: Hydrologists, civil/road engineers

Reviewers selected by:  Agency  Designated Outside Organization  
Organization's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Opportunities for Public Comment?  Yes  No

If yes, briefly state how and when these opportunities will be provided:  
How: \_\_\_\_\_  
When: \_\_\_\_\_

Peer Reviewers Provided with Public Comments?  Yes  No

Public Nominations Requested for Review Panel?  Yes  No

Other: \_\_\_\_\_