

Peer Review Plan

Topic of Review: Draft Programmatic [x] **Influential Scientific Information**
Environmental Assessment
(DEIS), National Forest
Land Management Planning

Agency: USDA Forest Service [] **Highly Influential Scientific Assessment**

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Subject of Review: SCIENCE REVIEW OF THE UNITED STATES FOREST SERVICE DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT FOR NATIONAL FOREST SYSTEM LAND MANAGEMENT

Purpose of Report: Reviewers were asked to evaluate overall scientific caliber, discussion of uncertainty, and identify any missing information.

Type of Review: [] Panel Review [X] Individual Reviewers

[] Alternative Process (Briefly Explain):

Timing of Review (Est.): Start: February 14, 2011 End: April 21, 2011 Completed: April 21, 2011

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

Primary Disciplines/Types of Expertise Needed for Review: Restoration and resilience, watershed and water protection, diversity of plant and animal communities, sustainable use of public lands to support vibrant communities, forest threats, and monitoring.

Reviewers selected by: [] Agency [x] Designated Outside Organization
Organization's Name: RESOLVE
<http://www.resolve.org>

Opportunities for Public Comment? [x] Yes [] No

If yes, briefly state how and when these opportunities will be provided:

How: A Notice of proposed rulemaking and request for comment was published in the Federal Register (Vol. 76, No. 30/February 14, 2011)/ Comment was requested by May 17, 2011. The Science Consistency Report was posted on the Planning Rule Website on 4/21/2011 and was available for public comment at that time.

When: DEIS public comment period 02/14/2011 to 05/17/2011, Scientists' reviews 04/21/2011 to 05/17/2011

Peer Reviewers Provided with Public Comments? [] Yes [x] No

Public Nominations Requested for Review Panel? Yes No

Other: Independent contractor was charged with identifying reviewers and coordinating the review.

