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Concerned Citizen

The Bureau of Land Management is considering timber management and habitat improvement activities in Sections 18, 19, 20 and 30 of Township 12 South, Range 3 East, Willamette Meridian. This area is in the Quartzville Creek watershed. Activities being considered could include harvest of mature timber, commercial thinning, and / or density management. Road construction, restoration and decommissioning may also be considered as well as stream and riparian area restoration. You have been identified as someone who might have specific knowledge or interest in this area.

The purpose of this letter is two fold. The first is to inform you of our plans, and the second is to solicit your input. Specifically, I would like hear what issues you believe are important to consider in the planning of a sale in this area. If you have specific resource information such as the location of springs, trails or potential environmental effects, I would like to know about that also. The information that you provide will help the interdisciplinary team in designing any timber sale and assessing the environmental effects.

Although it is too early to identify specific harvest units, the enclosed maps show the general location of the proposal and some potential harvest units. All harvest activities would be in accordance with Salem District's Resource Management Plan (RMP, May 1995) and the Standards and Guidelines for implementing the Northwest Forest Plan's Record of Decision (ROD, April 1994).

I would appreciate your thoughts on this proposed sale and I ask that your comments reach this office by May 24, 2003. To facilitate planning, comments should be specific to the sale area. These comments will assist the interdisciplinary team in designing the timber sale and assessing the environmental effects. Early input by you will ensure consideration of your concerns throughout the planning, environmental assessment (EA), and decision-making process.

If you would like more information on the proposed sale please contact Randy Herrin at (503) 315-5924, or Jim England at (503) 315-5913. Written comments may be sent to Brad Keller, Cascades Resource Area Manager, Salem District, Bureau of Land Management, 1717 Fabry Rd. S., Salem, Oregon 97306.

Sincerely yours,

Randy Herrin
Timber Management Specialist

Enclosures: location map
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