

United States Department of Agriculture Forest Service Hayfork Ranger Station

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Scoping Letter - Jones Thin Project

Dear Adjacent Landowner/Interested Party:

The South Fork Management Unit of the Shasta-Trinity National Forest is seeking public input on the Jones Thin Project. This proposed project is designed to improve forest health and decrease potential impacts of wildfires by thinning vegetation on ponderosa pine plantations, treating hazardous woody fuels, and reconstructing existing fuel breaks.

The project area is approximately 6 miles south-southwest of Wildwood, California. The legal location is Township 29 North, Range 11 West, Sections 26, 27, 28, 29, 32, 33, 34 and 35; and Township 28 North, Range 11 West, Sections 2, 3, 4, and 11 (Mount Diablo Meridian). A map of the proposed project area is enclosed. Within the 3,000-acre project area, approximately 540 acres are included in this proposal for thinning. An additional 100 acres of existing fuel breaks (5.5 linear miles) are proposed for reconstruction.

The Forest Service is currently in the planning stage for this project, and would like to invite your input. This will help identify any issues, concerns, and additional opportunities that should be considered.

Please submit your input by January 19, 2008 to Donna Harmon, District Ranger, South Fork Management Unit, P.O. Box 159, Hayfork, CA 96041. Further information about the proposal may be obtained from Mark Goldsmith (530-628-1252).

Sincerely,

DONNA F. HARMON District Ranger

Enclosures

