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**File Code:** 1950

**Date:** December 31, 2008

Dear Interested Party,

The Mt. Hood National Forest (the Forest) has identified you as an individual, agency, or organization that has shown interest in the planning process for the Road Decommissioning for Aquatic Restoration Project. The Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) and Decision Notice for this project are now complete. I have decided to implement Alternative 3, with some modifications, which will result in decommissioning about 76 miles of unneeded roads. I selected this alternative because I believe it best meets the need to restore impaired hydrologic function on the Forest, while also minimizing the impacts to recreation access.

The Decision Notice was signed by Forest Supervisor Gary Larsen on December 19, 2008. It is available on the Mt. Hood National Forest website at: <http://www.fs.fed.us/r6/mthood/projects/>. If you do not have access to the internet, please notify team leader Michelle Lombardo at 503-668-1796 if you would like us to send you a hard copy of the FONSI and Decision Notice.

This decision is subject to appeal pursuant to Forest Service regulations at 36 CFR 215. Any individual or organization that submitted comments during the comment period may appeal. Any appeal of this decision must be in writing and fully consistent with the content requirements described in 36 CFR 215.14. The Appeal Deciding Officer is the Regional Forester. An appeal should be addressed to the Regional Forester at the following address:

Appeal Reviewing Officer: Regional Forester  
USDA Forest Service, Region Six  
ATTN: 1570 Appeals/Objections  
P.O. Box 3623  
333 SW First Avenue  
Portland, OR 97208-3623

Hand delivered appeals must be presented to the above address between 8:00 am and 4:30 pm Monday through Friday, except legal holidays. Appeals can be sent via fax to 503-808-2255. Also, appeals can be filed electronically at: [appeals-pacificnorthwest-regional-office@fs.fed.us](mailto:appeals-pacificnorthwest-regional-office@fs.fed.us). Electronic objections must be submitted as part of the actual e-mail message, or as an attachment in Microsoft Word (.doc), rich text format (.rtf), or portable document format (.pdf) only. E-mails submitted to email addresses other than the one listed above, or in formats other than those listed or containing viruses, will be rejected. ***It is the responsibility of the appellant to confirm receipt of objections submitted by electronic mail.***

The appeal, including attachments, must be postmarked or received by the Appeal Deciding Officer within 45 days of the date legal notice of this decision was published in the Oregonian.

For further information regarding appeal procedures or this project, please contact Michelle Lombardo at 503-668-1796 or [mlombardo@fs.fed.us](mailto:mlombardo@fs.fed.us).

Thank you for your continuing interest and participation in this process.

Sincerely,

*/s/ Alan R. Dyck* for

GARY L. LARSEN  
Forest Supervisor

