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Dear Interested Parties:

The US Forest Service Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit (LTBMU) is seeking comments on the enclosed Proposed Action for the Camp Richardson Resort Campground and Vehicle Circulation BMP Retrofit Project. The Project is following the objectives of the LTBMU Land and Resources Management Plan (Forest Plan) for management of developed recreation facilities. The project area encompasses approximately 79 acres within the Camp Richardson Resort Special Use Permit area (see attached project map).

The Proposed Action includes measures to reduce the amount of impervious coverage within the project area, to implement water quality protection Best Management Practices (BMPs) including delineation of paved vehicle travel and parking areas. The Proposed Action includes a reduction in the overall number and density of campsites within the campground from 325 sites to a maximum of 255 sites. Measures to reduce traffic congestion within the project area are also proposed. For a detailed description of the Proposed Action, please refer to the accompanying documents.

The Proposed Action is consistent with the Vision Plan for Camp Richardson Resort. The Vision Plan is a requirement of the resort's Special Use Permit and provides a general framework for planning environmental and facility improvements within the resort permit area consistent with the LTBMU's Forest Plan and other conditions of the permit. The Vision Plan is available for review on the LTBMU web site, http://www.fs.fed.us/r5/ltbmu/projects.

How to Comment and Timeframe

This Project is in the initial (scoping) stage of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) analysis. We are asking for your comments on this Proposed Action. This scoping notice is intended to provide those interested in or affected by this project with an opportunity to make their concerns known. If you have information the Forest Service may not be aware of, or feel you have issues regarding potential effects of this Proposed Action, please send your comments to Daniel Cressy, Interdisciplinary Team Leader, Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit, 35 College Drive, South Lake Tahoe, CA 96150.

Written, facsimile, hand-delivered, oral, and electronic comments concerning this project should be submitted by **April 24, 2009**. The office business hours for those providing hand-delivered comments are 8:00 am to 4:30 pm Monday through Friday, excluding holidays. Oral comments may be provided during normal business hours via telephone (530) 543-2857, or in person. Electronic comments must be submitted in a format such as an email message, plain text (.txt), rich text format (.rtf), or Word (.doc) to comments-pacificsouthwest-ltbmu@fs.fed.us using subject: Camp Richardson Resort Campground Project.



For further information regarding this Proposed Action, contact Daniel Cressy at (530) 543-2857, email dcressy@fs.fed.us.

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Sincerely,

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