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Dear Forest Planning Participant:

I am seeking your input on the proposed County Line Fuels Project, located on the Cadillac-Manistee Ranger District of the Huron-Manistee National Forests. The County Line Fuels Project proposes to treat stands of red pine, jack pine, jack pine-oak, and upland opening stand types. **The purpose of this letter is to invite you to comment on this proposed project and help identify issues, concerns, or opportunities associated with this project and the area surrounding it.** From your comments, we will develop alternatives to the proposed action that meet the goals and objectives of the Huron-Manistee National Forests' Land and Resource Management Plan.

For convenience we have provided a comment sheet for you to write your comments on and return to us. If you have questions regarding the proposal, or would like to receive additional information, the Environmental Assessment, or the Decision Notice (once completed), please contact Mark A. Herberger, Interdisciplinary Team Leader, at the Cadillac-Manistee Ranger District [Telephone: (231) 723-2211 ext. 3109, or Fax: (231) 723-8642]. Alternatives to the proposed action will be developed during the next few months. **It would be most helpful to have comments in by April 23, 2008;** however, comments will be accepted any time during the planning process. **The District Ranger, Jim A. Thompson, will use this analysis to decide whether or not to approve these activities on National Forest System lands or whether or not to prepare a more detailed Environmental Impact Statement.**

All responses received (including names and addresses) will become part of the public file. This information will be made available to the public, upon request.

Sincerely,

/s/ JIM A. THOMPSON
District Ranger

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