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Dear Stakeholder:

The U.S. Forest Service Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit (LTBMU) is seeking comments on the enclosed Proposed Action for *Integrated Management and Use of Roads, Trails, and Facilities*. The project area includes existing roads, trails, and developed facilities on National Forest System lands within the Lake Tahoe Basin.

Activities proposed include re-occurring maintenance, use, and administration of these developed features; and authorization of special use permits for outfitter/guide activities and events utilizing these developed features. Authorized renewal and issuance of special use permits for on-going activities and uses is also proposed.

This Proposed Action identifies specific criteria and design features for activities to minimize potential environmental and social impacts. These criteria and design features would establish “side-boards” and “limits” on future activities which may proceed under this project analysis. Only those activities which comply with the criteria and design features would be approved under this project. The project follows the objectives of the LTBMU Land and Resources Management Plan (Forest Plan). For a detailed description of the Proposed Action, please refer to the enclosed documents. Additional information is available on the LTBMU website at <http://www.fs.usda.gov/goto/ltbmu/IntegratedMgmt>

How to Comment and Timeframe:

This project is in the initial (scoping) stage of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) analysis. This scoping notice is intended to provide an opportunity for affected or interested parties to express their concerns regarding the Proposed Action. If you have information the Forest Service may not be aware of, or believe you have issues regarding potential effects of this Proposed Action, please submit your written, facsimile, hand-delivered, oral, or electronic comments by January 15, 2016. The LTBMU is particularly interested to hear from you if you have recommendations for project criteria or design features, or if you believe previous Forest Service road, trail, facility, event, or special use permit authorization activities have resulted in undesirable effects which could be improved or avoided in the future. We are also interested to hear if there are other categories of outfitter/guiding activities which should be considered.

Send your mail comments to Daniel Cressy, LTBMU, 35 College Drive, South Lake Tahoe, CA 96150. 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: Integrated Management and Use of Roads, Trails, and Facilities. The office



business hours for those providing hand-delivered or oral comments are 8:00 am to 4:30 pm Monday through Friday, excluding holidays.

For further information regarding the Proposed Action, contact Daniel Cressy at (530) 543-2694, email dcressy@fs.fed.us.

Sincerely,



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Enclosures