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Morgan Bassett

Subscribed and sworn before me this 31st day of July, 2009.

Debbie L Chandler Notary Public

Residence: Spanish Fork, Utah
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LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE & COMMENT OF PROPOSED ACTION
Ponderosa Restoration Broadcast Prescribed Fire
Heber-Kamas Ranger District
Uinta-Wasatch-Cache National Forest
Summit County, Utah

The Heber-Kamas Ranger District, Uinta Wasatch Cache National Forest is requesting comments on the proposed action for the Ponderosa Restoration Broadcast Prescribed Fire. The primary objective of this project is to restore the reference condition (widely spaced trees without a thick understory of juniper, mountain brush, and lodgepole pine) in order to preserve the genetic diversity of the species, reduce fire risk along the highway corridor, and improve the scenic quality provided by the open stands and large trees. Naturally occurring, relatively frequent low intensity fire, prior to fire suppression, structured these groves of ponderosa pine. The exclusion of naturally occurring fire has changed this structure to include a thick understory of juniper, mountain brush and lodgepole pine.

The proposed action is to implement a 3,900 acre prescribed fire to restore a ponderosa pine stand and reduce fuel loading in a highly recreated area of the Uinta-Wasatch-Cache National Forest and cut, pile and burn dead hazard trees that are within 150 feet (~276 acres) of either side of the Mirror Lake Highway adjacent to the proposed prescribed fire treatment area.

Mechanical hand thinning, piling of vegetation surrounding the ponderosa pine trees took place and pile burning in 2006-2007. These were the first two phases of the restoration project. We are now ready to move into phase III broadcast burning in the project area. We are

Word (.doc) to comments-intermtn-uinta-heber@fs.fed.us.

For further information, please contact Lans Stavast, Uinta-Wasatch-Cache National Forest Supervisors Office, 88 West 100 North, Provo, UT 84601 at (801) 342-5151.

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