



File Code: 1570-1 (215)
#05-01-00-0035
Date: August 15, 2005

B. Sachau
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CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Dear B. Sachau:

I have received your appeal of the Gallatin National Forest Invasive Weed Program Record of Decision on the Gallatin National Forest.

Regretfully, I must dismiss your appeal without review in accordance with 36 CFR 215.16. Your appeal fails to meet the content requirements of 36 CFR 215.14.

It is the appellant's responsibility to provide, in writing, sufficient project- or activity-specific evidence and rationale, focusing on the decision, to show why the Responsible Official's decision should be reversed [36 CFR 215.14(a)(b)]. Your appeal fails to address the minimum appeal requirements of 36 CFR 215.14, including:

- State the name of the project or activity for which the decision was made, the name and title of the Responsible Official, and the date of the decision [CFR 215.14(b)(4)]; and
- Identify any specific change(s) in the decision that you seek, and the rationale for those changes [36 CFR 215.14(b)(6)]; and
- State why you believe the Responsible Official's decision failed to consider the substantive comments [36 CFR 215.14(b)(8)]; and
- State how you believe the decision specifically violates law, regulation, or policy [36 CFR 215.14(b)(9)].

This decision is the final determination of the Department of Agriculture and is not subject to higher level review [36 CFR 215.18(c)].

Sincerely,

/s/ Ray G. Smith (for)
KATHLEEN A. MCALLISTER
Appeal Deciding Officer

cc:
Gallatin NF

