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**Date:** June 30, 2009

Dear Interested Citizen:

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that I have decided to extend the scoping period for the Proposed Amendments to the Rogue River, Umpqua and Winema National Forest Land and Resource Management Plans.

**Scoping Process:** The Forest Service is continuing to seek public comments on the proposed Forest Plan amendments. All comments received will be considered in our preparation of a Draft Environmental Impact Statement. Comments received in response to this solicitation, including names and addresses of those who comment, will be part of the public record for these proposed amendments. Comments should be provided by the close of the scoping period and should clearly articulate any concerns and contentions you may have concerning these proposed amendments. Your comments are most useful if they focus on the significance of the proposed amendments as related to the LRMPs of the Rogue River, Umpqua and Winema National Forests. The issue of whether a plan amendment is significant is guided by several factors, including the timing and duration of the proposed change, the location and size of the project, and how the proposed change may alter multiple-use goals and objectives for long-term land and resource management. The more specific your comments, the more useful they will be. In this analysis, the Forest Service will rely on the FERC EIS for consideration of environmental consequences of construction and operation of the PCGP. These amendments of Forest Plans will only be implemented if the FERC authorizes the PCGP. The submission of timely and specific comments can affect a reviewer's ability to participate in subsequent administrative appeal or judicial review.

We would like to have your scoping comments by **July 31, 2009**. Send written comments to: Pam Sighting, Umpqua National Forest, 2900 NW Stewart Parkway, Roseburg, OR 97471. Comments may also be sent via e-mail to: [comments-pacificnorthwest-umpqua@fs.fed.us](mailto:comments-pacificnorthwest-umpqua@fs.fed.us), or via facsimile to 541-957-3495. Comments can be hand-delivered to the above address, Monday through Friday, from 8:00 am to 4:30 pm, excluding legal holidays.

Comments received in response to this solicitation, including names and addresses of those who comment, will be part of the public record for this proposed action. Comments submitted anonymously will be accepted and considered; however, anonymous comments will not provide the respondent with standing to appeal the subsequent decision.

**For Further Information Contact:** Pam Sighting at 541-957-3342 or by e-mail at [psighting@fs.fed.us](mailto:psighting@fs.fed.us). Individuals who use telecommunication devices for the deaf (TDD)



may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339 between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m., Eastern Time, Monday through Friday.

All those who comment will remain on our mailing list and receive any future updates on this proposed forest plan amendment. Information about the proposed forest plan amendments is available on the Umpqua National Forest website at: <http://www.fs.fed.us/r6/umpqua> in the projects and plans section. If you have any questions on this proposal please contact project coordinator Pam Sichtung at 541-957-3342 or by email at [psichtung@fs.fed.us](mailto:psichtung@fs.fed.us).

Sincerely,

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