

LEGAL NOTICE
Scoping & Comment Period
Lost Horse Project
Cascade Ranger District,
Boise National Forest
Valley County, Idaho

The Cascade Ranger District of the Boise National Forest is soliciting comments for the Lost Horse Project. The Proposed Action Report and other project documents are available electronically on the project webpage: <https://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=56535>

The proposed project is an activity implementing a land management plan and is subject to the pre-decisional objection process at 36 CFR 218 Subparts A and B.

The project would implement a variety of vegetation management activities (mechanical thinning, noncommercial thinning, prescribed burning, machine piling, and aspen and meadow enhancement), along with associated road management activities (temporary road construction and road decommissioning). The objective is to restore species composition and stand structure, while reducing undesirable tree densities and favoring the retention of the larger diameter, more fire-resistant trees to benefit wildlife habitat and water quality throughout the project area.

Comments on this project may be submitted electronically through the project webpage. To submit comments using the web form on the project webpage, select "Comment on Project" under "Get Connected" on the right side of the project's webpage (link above). If uploading a file with comments, comments must be in the form of plain text (.txt), Word (.doc, .docx) or PDF (.pdf). Comments may also be submitted by mail to Cascade Ranger District, PO Box 696, Cascade, ID 83611 Attention: Jim Bishop; or hand delivered to Cascade District, 540 North Main Street, Cascade, ID 83611. Office hours for submitting hand-delivered comments are 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, excluding holidays, or by fax at 208-382-7480. If submitting comments by mail or fax, be sure to include "Lost Horse" in the subject line.

The opportunity to comment ends 30 days following the date of publication of the legal notice in the Idaho Statesman. Only those who submit timely and specific written comments (36 CFR §218.2) regarding the proposed project or activity during a public comment period established by the responsible official are eligible to file an objection (36 CFR §218.24(b)(6)). For issues to be raised in objections, they must be based on previously submitted specific written com-

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ments regarding the proposed project or activity and attributed to the objector. For objection eligibility, each individual or representative from each entity submitting timely and specific written comments must either sign the comment or verify identity upon request. The publication date of the legal notice in the newspaper of record is the exclusive means for calculating the time to submit written comments on a proposed project or activity. The time period for the opportunity to comment on a proposed project or activity to be documented with an environmental assessment shall not be extended. It is the responsibility of all individuals and organizations to ensure that their comments are received in a timely manner. Comments received in response to this request will be included in the project record and may be released in their entirety, if requested, pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). Additional information concerning the project may be obtained from Jim Bishop, Team Leader, at 208-382-7400.

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