



File Code: 1950; 2400

Date: November 29, 2016

Beaver Creek Mailing list

Dear Interested Party,

The Daniel Boone National Forest has prepared an *Environmental Assessment* (EA) and I have prepared a draft *Decision Notice and Finding of No Significant Impact* for the Commercial Timber Harvest in the Beaver Creek Watershed project. This project was proposed to improve forest vigor, provide young forest habitat, and provide products to the local economy. The project is subject to the pre-decisional objection process pursuant to 36 CFR 218 Subparts A and B.

I have enclosed a copy of the draft decision with this letter. The EA and draft decision are also found at www.fs.usda.gov/projects/dbnf/landmanagement/projects. These documents can also be obtained at the Forest Service office in Morehead, KY. This EA has been modified as a result of information provided during the 30-day comment period. These changes were updates to project revenues and costs to reflect current values and also the deletion of one harvest unit due to discovery of a population of an endangered species near that area. Additional information regarding this project or activity can be obtained from Project Contact, Jeffrey F. Lewis at (606) 784-6428 ext 101 or jefflewis@fs.fed.us.

The opportunity to object ends 45 days following the date of publication of the legal notice in the Lexington Herald-Leader newspaper in Lexington, KY. When the time period expires on a Saturday, Sunday, or Federal holiday, comments shall be accepted until the end of the next Federal working day. The publication date of the legal notice is the exclusive means for calculating the time to file an objection, and that those wishing to object should not rely upon dates or timeframe information provided by another source.

Objections will be accepted only from those who have previously submitted specific written comments regarding the proposed project during scoping or other designated opportunity for public comment. Issues raised in objections must be based on previously submitted timely, specific written comments regarding the proposed project unless based on new information arising after designated comment opportunities §218.8(c).

The objection must contain the minimum content requirements specified in §218.8(d) and incorporation of documents by reference is permitted only as provided in §218.8(b). It is the objector's responsibility to ensure timely filing of a written objection with the reviewing officer. All objections are available for public inspection during and after the objection process.



Written objections must be submitted as follows:

By US Postal Service to: Forest Supervisor / Objection Reviewing Officer
Attn: Objections,
USDA-Forest Service, Daniel Boone National Forest,
1700 Bypass Road
Winchester, KY 40391

By facsimile to: (859) 744-1568

By hand-delivery to the Forest Supervisor's Office in Winchester, KY during normal business hours, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

By email, using a common digital format, to objections-southern-daniel-boone@fs.fed.us.

Please state "Commercial Timber Harvest in the Beaver Creek Watershed" in the subject line when providing electronic objections, or on the envelope when replying by mail. Thank you for your interest in management of the Daniel Boone National Forest.

Sincerely,



JONATHAN P. KAZMIERSKI
District Ranger

Enclosure