THE HONORABLE MIKE SIMPSON
Chairman
Committee on Appropriations
Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies
U.S. House of Representatives
2007 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Simpson:

This letter transmits the U.S. Department of Agriculture’s Forest Service response to
Explanatory Statement that accompanied the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2022 (Public
Law 117-103), directing the Forest Service to maintain updated 5-year deferred maintenance
plans that, to the extent practicable, include a list of all outstanding deferred maintenance needs.
Enclosed is the Forest Service FY 2023, Quarter 1 summary report.

In compliance with Public Law 117-103 Section 411, after 45 days, this report will be posted to

If you have any questions, please have a member of your staff contact the Office of
Congressional Relations at (202) 720-7095. A similar letter is being sent to Ranking Member
Chellie Pingree.

Sincerely,

THOMAS J. VILSACK
Secretary

Enclosure