USDA United States Department of Agriculture

Office of the Secretary
Washington, DC 20250

September 9, 2024

THE HONORABLE JEFF MERKLEY
Chairman
Committee on Appropriations
Subcommittee on Interior, Environment,
and Related Agencies
United States Senate
125 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Chairman Merkley:

In response to the language included in the House Report that accompanied the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2024 (Public Law 118-42), enclosed are the lists of projects that are submitted, currently under review, or are currently under production that would result in production of strategic minerals.

After 45 days from the date of this letter, this report will be posted to the Forest Service website at: https://www.fs.usda.gov/about-agency/budget-performance.

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 Lisa Murkowski.

Sincerely,

THOMAS J. VILSACK
Secretary

Enclosure