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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:

This letter transmits the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Forest Service response to the Committee's request in the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (Public Law 117-58), Section 40804(c)(1) that a list of Ecological Health Restoration contracts, including a detailed description of each project entailing an estimate of the cost that includes salaries and expenses, be submitted 90-days prior to fiscal year end.

In compliance with Public Law 117-328 Section 7016, after 45 days, 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