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To: NAFSR Members

From: Darrel L. Kenops CEO/Executive Director

Subject: USDA Forest Service Chief Tom Tidwell's Letter Announcing Release of NFMA Forest Plan Regulation Preferred Alternative.

Today, U.S. Forest Service Chief Tom Tidwell's sent us his letter, to distribute in the USFS retirees community, on the Preferred Alternative for the proposed NFMA Forest Planning regulations. We, have not had an opportunity to review the preferred alternative, but will do so in the near future.

Again NAFSR Board Members, Officers, thank NAFSR's NFMA Committee Chair Ron Stewart and his team for their work reviewing and submitting comments on our behalf over the past couple of years.

We are in the process of nominating Dr. Ron Stewart to be our NAFSR representative on the recently announced USDA/USFS Federal Advisory Committee concerning these Forest Plan regulations.

Thanks to many NAFSR members who have contributed to our dialogue and analysis of the proposed rule.

Best regards! Darrel